UVM Real Food Working Group

November 16, 2016 | 8:30-10:00am | Aiken 311

Facilitator: Bridget Notetaker: Gina

Agenda

Introductions and Icebreaker (10 min)

- Name, preferred pronoun, role/affiliation
- Something you are grateful for

Food Week Review [Olivia] (5 min)

- Good turnout from various groups across campus
- Forged good partnerships
- Lessons learned
 - Getting involvement/commitment early
 - Last week was a scramble
 - Hard to manage that because of collaborative effect
 - RFC film festival-needs to be more engaging, and redesign space/furniture to be more successful
 - Week celebration-offered more opportunities for collaboration
 - How many people reached: Food Week activities
 - Email-list:70-85 emails
 - Communicated at table: ~100

Calculator Update [Caylin] (10 min)

- Dec 16th departure from UVM Dining
- Opportunities for shifting calculator responsibilities to more covered within UVM?
- Calculator interns at most schools don't have the oversight that Caylin offers
- Sodexo is involved in auditing themselves, thus there might be a conflict of interest
- RFC training gathering more infrastructure training
- Could be more feasible to have student ownership of calculator
- Biggest obstacle to transfer?
 - o consistency, historical, institutional memory o
 - Caylin's knowledge of vendors
- UVM Dining's perspective?
 - Interest in looking in what it would look like to not keep it within Sodexo

- Transisiton semester? Spring 2017
- Calculator intern overlap
- Smaller group conversation to cover details
- Sylvia, Alison, Caylin, Alana
- Annie's role, graduate student fellow roles
- Vote at next full group meeting

Product Procurement Group [Abby, Gina, Caylin] (10 minutes)

- Abby is going through real food list, determining which products have changed classification based on new guidelines
- Also working on updating the master product index
- Meeting last week
 - o First steps: help with the real food list
 - Milk With Dignity-Gina
 - Black River Produce/Meat-Caylin
 - Dubreton(~3-5 hours)
 - Seafood(bigger project ~20 hours, multiple people)
 - Ben and Jerry's (~total 3 hours)
- This research can lead to opportunities for product shifts (for example, if a product suddenly doesn't qualify as real, this could spark interest in finding a real alternative to replace that product)

Class Partnerships [Gina & Sylvia] (10 minutes)

- NFS 295: Sustainable Food Purchasing
 - Calculating
 - Ben and Jerry's not calcultated
 - Each group wrote blog posting
 - Alana has been posting 1 blog a week on UVM Dining **Tumbler**
 - 1 or 2 blog stellar blog posts published each week
 - Nov. 30th at 5pm in Lafayette L100
 - Student presentations using RFC and VT First
 - Schedule of vendors so that vendors know when they
 - Real Food Listserv announcement
 - PSS 21, Permaculture announcement
- CDAE 250: Research Methods
 - Lessons learned
 - Student access for

Social Media Update [Bridget] (5 minutes)

- Please like UVM Real Food Challenge on Facebook
- Seeking assistance
 - RFWG-Bridget
 - RFR-Olivia C.

Real Food Revolution Club [James] (5 minutes)

- Food week success!
- Problems with new member retention
- Next RFR Meeting Thursday after Thanksgiving
- Events:
 - Migrant Justice Benefit Dinner-Dec 2nd
 - Team up with Peace and Justice center about-Date TBA
 - Soul Fire Farm workshop--historical oppression in the food industry, CSA, -late March
 - Working Group tabling opportunity-Next semester

Food Policy [Bridget & James] (10 minutes)

- Met with Alison's colleague Michelle
- Borrowed language from Green Building Policy
- Will be sent to WG, feedback via track changes welcome!
- Focused on food procurement
- UVM policy, rather than UVM Dining role
 - UVM Dining held by contractual commitments

% Party [Bridget] (5 minutes)

- Date/Location
 - Going to start looking for space now
- Project Team

Project teams work time (20 min)

- Hopefully weekly meeting times/communications leaders were appointed
- Will report back at next full group meeting

Events	Food Week (Food Day: October 26)	RFC Film Festival (Food day)	RFR
		Tabling with different groups on campus	RFR: Bridget, Sarah, Olivia and James
		"I eat real because"	Caylin and Alana

	% Party	Spring semester	Bridget
Communications	Social Media		(RFR) Bridget, James, Alison, Sylvia
	Residence Halls Bulletin boards		Bridget
	% Shown in each unit		Abby, Caylin
	"Friends of" [Dining Hall]		Taran, Gina, James Caylin
Procurement	Product Research	Student-made products	Caylin, Abby, Taran, Katie, Bridget, Justine,
		UVM Products: Honey?	Annie, Sarah, Addy, Olivia, Vic, Gina
	Unit % Goals (Ongoing)	make plan for equitable percentage between residential and retail	Caylin, Alana
Campus Food Policy	Replace Campus Commitment for after 2020 or after 20% steps		Bridget, James, Alison
Infrastructure for Real Food	Local food processing/storage Hort farm		Vic, Jane, James, Alison, Addy, Terry, Kate, Sarah, Taran

Subcontractor adherence to Sodexo	(e.g. Cage free eggs,	Gina, Alison, Sylvia	
commitments	sustainable seafood)		