

NE Iowa Food & Fitness Initiative
Fayette County Planning Team Meeting Minutes
February 19th, 2009
4:00, ISU Extension Office, Fayette

Attendees: Maureen Johnson, Leif White, Donna Story, Joe Organist, Sheryl Struthers, Vicki Rowland, Deb Kahler, Barbara Ashby, Gordon Murray-John, Dave Runyon, Daryl Grove, Sue Burrack, Aaron Haines, Bill Ziegler, Scot Michelson, Ron O'Kones, Michelle Zander, Hope Onken, Ruth Schemmel, Karla Organist, Dan Burkhart

1. Committee Members shared partnerships/collaborations/activities they have observed that have helped FFI's vision:
 - Committee members working to complete recreational opportunity surveys
 - Recreational trails have been given new life
 - Student Partnerships
 - School and community partnerships
 - Local Growers working together to compliment each other – CSA's supporting each other, small and large producers collaborating
 - School wellness councils
 - Our Fayette Team!
 - Community Foundations
 - Increased greenhouse activity – Momentum and excitement for new producers
 - Extension and Economic Development working together to help the new producer
 - Community Gardens
 - Farm to School programs
 - Master Gardeners plans to grow extra to share
2. Meat today was from Whispering Oak Farm in Randalia, now selling their meat through Boike's in Fayette. Milk from Hansen's Dairy, buns from Cresco – thanks to Annie's. Bread and tomato sauce, onions and green peppers for the sloppies from Joe.
3. The Fayette Team is seeking a new historian to replace Barbara Ashby who is retiring to travel the world (okay, maybe not the world, but travel nonetheless!)
4. Regional F & F Leadership Team Report:
 - Committee members were given the Regional Team Summary report for review.
5. Reviewed the timeline for remaining months through August.
6. Discussed RFA
 - Discussed ways for committee members to get the word out to non-profits
 - Ideas for Fayette County Committee to submit included:
 - Local Food ID program for grocery stores
 - County Specific FFI materials
 - At next meeting, committee will review committee members' RFAs and provide feedback for the best possible applications.
7. Next Meeting March 19th, 2009. 4:00 – 6:00, ISU Extension Office.

Our Vision:

NE Iowa is a unique place where all residents and guests of every age experience, celebrate and promote healthy locally grown food with abundant opportunities for physical activity and play EVERY DAY. Healthier people make stronger families and communities.