



## **GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON FOOD SECURITY**

### **Approved Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, July 30, 2014**

### **MEETING LOCATIONS**

Public and Behavioral Health, 4150 Technology Drive, Suite 303, Carson City  
Health Care Financing and Policy, 1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Elko  
Desert Regional Center, 1391 S. Jones, Las Vegas  
Early Intervention Services, 2667 Enterprise, Reno

#### **I. Welcome and Introductions and Announcements**

First Lady Kathleen Sandoval called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm, welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance. She led the introductions.

All Council members were present except Wendy Baroli, Sarah Adler and Jodi Tyson. A quorum was present.

Angela Owings stated that Romaine Gilliland, Director of DHHS, Mike McMahon with DWSS, Dennis Stewart with Food Nutrition Services, and Jesus Mendoza with the USDA met to discuss the opportunity of support staffing outreach in the community and to connect SNAP recipients to work experience programs to increase employment in Nevada.

#### **II. Public Comment**

No public comment.

#### **III. Action Item – Approve Minutes of March 27, 2014 Meeting**

Kathleen Sandoval requested a motion to approve the minutes. Angela Owings said she received an e-mail from Aurora Buffington regarding the minutes and that Aurora stated the organization she represents is the Nevada Dietetic Association. It was agreed to make this change. Amy Hill motioned to approve the revised minutes and David Weaver seconded. No discussion. Motion approved.

#### **IV. Action Item – Adoption of Bylaws**

- There was discussion about the wording of the Bylaws. It was agreed that the language should be gender neutral.
- There was discussion about who the Council would report to – the Governor directly or the Governor through the Director of Health and Human Services.

There was discussion about adding an additional number – 9. To fulfill this mission as a Governor's Council; report to and advise the Governor through the Director.

- Kathleen Sandoval requested a motion to approve the Bylaws with the changes as discussed. Dale Erquiaga motioned to approve, Adam Kramer seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion approved.

**V. Council Member Orientation**

Nevada Open Meeting Law – George Taylor, Attorney General's Office

Some of the topics discussed:

- All meetings are subject to the Open Meeting Law.
- Need a quorum of a public body to deliberate or take action on an agenda item. Without a quorum you cannot take action or deliberate, but you can discuss.
- If a subcommittee is called by a parent group, the Open Meeting Law applies.
- If a subcommittee meeting is called by staff, then the Open Meeting Law does not apply.

**VI. Possible Action Item – Council Vision**

- Kathleen Sandoval discussed the Share Our Strength event that was held in June in Las Vegas. There were participants from restaurants and schools, chefs, members of the Food Security Council and actor Jeff Bridges was there to promote the summer breakfast program. Share Our Strength has agreed to provide the Council with technical assistance to help us move forward with changes we feel need to happen with the Council. Kathleen Sandoval met with Tom Nelson, the CEO of Share our Strength. Kathleen, Tom and Mike Willden had a conference call to discuss focusing on programs and our goals for the year, such as school breakfasts and lunches. It was also discussed that the Council would develop action plans specific to each program. Awareness and outreach are things that need to be addressed as well as getting legislation passed. The Council needs to focus on Lead, Reach, Feed and Grow, as well as the SNAP program.
- There was a discussion about the difference between subcommittees and work groups and how they can best serve the Council.
- Donnell Barton and Catrina Peters with Child Nutrition Services discussed their school breakfast and lunch food programs. The 2011-2012 impact report shows that if every child that was eligible for the free and reduced meals had participated, the State would have received an additional \$45 million for breakfast and \$31 million for lunch. That is federal money being left on the table that could be brought back into Nevada which also has the potential to grow the economy. The National School Lunch provides low cost and free breakfast and lunch to eligible children. It's offered in public and private schools, and residential child care institutions. They are doing a good job of getting children eligible, but not in getting the children to participate in the program. The children have a student ID number so that the other children will not know if the meal is free, reduced or paid for. There was a discussion about ways to get school districts and more children to participate.
- It was proposed that the Council focus on school lunch programs with the caveat that at the next meeting we will be educated on the remaining programs and will then develop a priority list. Dale Erquiaga motioned to approve the proposal and Mark Walker seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion approved.

- It was proposed that the areas the Council will focus on are policy, legislation (funded and unfunded mandates), outreach, education and best practices. Adam Kramer motioned to approve the proposal, Mike McMahon seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion approved.
  - Specific Tasks
    - Christy – Best Practices, Policy
    - Dave – Best Practices, Outreach
    - Mark – Best Practices, Outreach
    - Adam – Legislation, Policy
    - Guy – Best Practices, Policy
    - Cherie – Policy, Legislation
    - Kevin – Outreach, Education
    - Ken – Best Practice, Policy
    - Mike Wurm – Outreach, Best Practices
    - Dale – Legislation, Policy
    - Richard – Outreach, Education
    - Mary – Outreach, Legislature
    - Mike McMahon – Policy, Outreach
    - Donnell – Education, Outreach
    - Steve Hill – Legislation, Best Practices
- Kathleen Sandoval asked Laurie Olson if she would send a pre-typed task list to the rest of the Board members with a two-day turnaround time.

**VII. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**VIII. Announcements, Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

- Christy McGill mentioned that there are a considerable number of people interested in expanding the cottage food laws.
- Adam Kramer requested a conference call for next week to discuss. Kathleen Sandoval proposed eliminating the Reno and Elko locations.
- Regular meetings will take place on the last Tuesday of every other month from 1-5 pm.
- Kathleen Sandoval thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was adjourned at 4:22 pm.