

Nechako Valley Food Network  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday April 7, 2011  
7-9 PM Vanderhoof CNC

7 PM Start

In Attendance: Andrew Beuzer, Maya Sullivan, Lisa Burgener

**1. Agricultural Working Group Report (Andrew)**

3 RDBN staff members (including two planners), Rural Area Reps, 1/3 stakeholders  
Advised on the Agricultural Plan Survey . . . who it should go to and what questions need to be asked.

Investigating changing zoning bylaws in RDBN for properties not in ALR – smaller size – to allow poultry and livestock on those properties

Increasing places where Farmer's Markets can be – by 5 different zones

Next Meeting: April 13<sup>th</sup> Andrew will attend

**2. Community Clean Up (April 16<sup>th</sup>)**

final decision made on bids – Andrew to contact producers re: results and the process

Lisa to contact bakers re: using local flour – final decision

Andrew to purchase and store food

Maya to drop off cooler for Andrew's use

food safety plan – Andrew

Neighborlink – Act II is open. Someone there will let us in to store food in fridges/freezers.

Condiments – use Dana's + organic mustard and ketchup + one more relish (Lisa)

Lisa to bring knives and spoons as well

Green Event sign (Lisa)

Photos – Lisa contact NVSS senior photography students

**3. Producers Directory 2011**

community futures funding secured.

Verbal approval from RDBN directors. Formal approval on April 21<sup>st</sup>

Lisa contact producers in email re: regional directory (still on??)

Maya contact remaining on directory (Lisa send names to her)

Andrew contacts his suggestions

All info to Michelle by April 15

**4. AGM: April 16<sup>th</sup> 1 PM**

NVFN report – Lisa to jot ideas, all to edit, Andrew to perfect, send to Richard, and present

Maya will organize and bring the gifts

**5. Trade Show**

Lisa to check possibilities – chafing dish, BBQ volunteers, then get back to others.

Andrew willing to prepare patties if that is only contribution . . . he will be away

Promote Community Garden at the Trade Show

Promote Community Garden in the Newspaper . . . contact Hannah again!! (Lisa)

**6. Community Garden (At Museum)**

need soil improvement

next NVFN meeting will create a time line/plan

'Kids in the Garden' wishes to help with whole process . . . every Sat from second week in May onward.

Contacted Keona at CSFSS . . . need to hear back

Katimavik . . . need letter signed by NHCA board by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Work with Farmer's Market

Katimavik looking for a house to rent . . . does not need to be big

**7. Rivers Day Dinner**

Budget: \$500 for 200 people.

Typically hot dogs, hamburgers, hearty salads, juice boxes

What role do they wish us to play? Intermediaries , or ???

More discussion needed. Will NVFN take risk of paying up front for produce that may not be covered in the budget . . . Integris??

Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> . . . Katimavik's last work day is 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**8. Farm Tours**

District Recreation coordinator requested help for identifying other farms for tours during the summer.

Referred her to the 2010 . . . and upcoming 2011 producers guide

**9. Food Security/Justice Workshop May 7**

NVFN members asked to attend to share what it happening locally. Circulated email.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 27th 7 – 9 PM CNC