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**CUMBERLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
FORT BRAGG & CUMBERLAND COUNTY FOOD POLICY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
January 11, 2022, 11AM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: *Sandy Ammons, Cumberland County Co-Chair*
Dr. Anicca Cox, Community Representative
Veronica Feliciano, Community Representative
Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Kenjuana McCray, Local Government Rep.
Yaya Nadermann, Secretary & Public Health, Food Rep.
Candace Scott, Public Health & Food Representative
Stephanie White, Fort Bragg School Representative
Shella Korch, Healthcare, Public Health, Food Representative

MEMBERS EXCUSED ABSENT:

Nathan Crew, Farming and Agriculture Representative
Natasha Randall, Local Government Representative
Dr. Dana Kolbfleisch, Higher Education Representative

STAFF PRESENT:

Sheena Butler, Food Policy Council Liaison
Hannah Darr, UNC Intern
Travis Greer, Food Environment Assessment Liaison
Martina Sconiers-Talbert, Grants Manager

Item 1. Call to Order:

Sandy Ammons welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 11:00AM.

a. Roll Call

Roll call was taken by *Yaya Nadermann*. Quorum was met.

b. Approval of Agenda



Council made no motions to change the agenda.

MOTION: *Mayor McCray* moved to approve the Food Policy Council meeting agenda.

SECOND: *Veronica Feliciano*

VOTE: *Unanimous (7-0)*

Item 2. Overview of FPC:

a. Vision and Mission Overview by Sandy Ammons

Vision: To advance health equity by creating a healthy food environment where all members of the Fort Bragg and Cumberland County communities can thrive.

Mission: To provide a forum for representatives involved in all aspects of the local food system to foster effective policies, programs, and community collaboration that decreases food insecurity and increases access to healthy foods within Fort Bragg and Cumberland County.

b. Position Openings of the FPC

Ft. Bragg Co-chair (1)

Community Members who do not work in local government or health agencies (1)

Local farming or agriculture (1)

Representative from Cumberland County Schools (1)

Item 3. Introduction of Applicants and Comments:

a. Introduction of Applicants

Sandy Ammons asked for visitors to introduce themselves.

Sabrina Steigelman, Grants Manager, CCS, Category – Rep. Cumberland County Schools
Sabrina Steigelman is a Cumberland County native and retired military spouse. She formerly worked in the school system as a substitute teacher and teacher's assistant. She obtained her Masters in School Administration and works as a coordinator of grant and special programs.



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Lauren Tyler, Farmer, Category – Local farming or agriculture, Community members who **do not** work in local government or health agencies

Lauren Tyler is a long-term resident and Army Veteran. She obtained her degree in Horticulture and has worked with non-profit organizations, formerly in Savannah. Her business focusses on sustainable living and adopting communities. She stated that kids should not have to face food insecurities and families should grow their own gardens.

b. Comments

Sandy Ammons makes some comments on time commitments: monthly meetings until June 2022, scheduled meeting times and dates, and the commitment to attend at least 50% of the meetings.

Sabrina Steigelman comments on the time commitments.

Lauren Tyler asks about the potential to raise money after the grant is over. *Sandy Ammons* suggests that it would most likely be part of the council's duties in the future.

Item 4. Questions from members, staff, and applicants:

a. No questions from members, staff, and applicants

b. *Sandy Ammons* opens the floor for discussion after applicant interviews are over.

Veronica Feliciano states that both applicants have great talent.

Sandy Ammons agrees and adds that they are quality candidates with passion and experience.

Annica Cox suggest we move *Lauren Tyler* to the category of *community member who does not work in local government or health agencies* because we have two candidates for *Local Farming and Agriculture*.

Sandy Ammons agrees and lets the council know that she will be holding private interviews with the remaining candidates *Aaron Paplaczyk (Local Farming and Agriculture)* and *Lt. Col. Tethra Joseph (Fort Bragg Co-Chair)* to wrap up the application/interview process. Further details will be sent out via email.

ADJOURN

MOTION: *Mayor McCray* moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: *Candance Scott*

VOTE: *Unanimous (7-0)*



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The meeting was adjourned at *11:24AM*

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: *Next Meeting February 2, 2022, 12PM*