



Douglas County Food Policy Council

MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 2025

In Attendance: Tyler Lindquist, Quinlan Carttar, Ben Sikes, Emily Lysen, Natalya Lowther, Mackie Moore, Shelby Ostrom, Aundrea Walker

Absent: Mackie Moore, Suzy Mooney,

Staff: Star Her Many Horses, Jill deVries Jolicoeur

Presenter: Grant Misse, Local Food Fellow

1. Approval of Agenda
 - a. ACTION: Consider agenda approval
 - i. *Agenda approved by Quinlan Carttar with amendment to include Lawrence Transit official comment on concession stand. Second by Natalya Lowther. All in favor. Motion passed.*
2. AGENDA ITEMS:
 - a. **Public Introductions.** Round of introductions from community members, guests, and observers.
 - b. **Public Comment.** Opportunity for members of the public to provide input on food system issues or items not otherwise on the agenda
 - c. **Membership Updates**
 - i. Introduction of new member: Welcome Aundrea Walker, Director of Just Food, Douglas County appointed DCFPC board member.
 - d. **Consider Quinlan Carttar as Co-Chair of the Douglas County Food Policy Council**
 - i. ACTION: Consider Quinlan Carttar as Co-Chair of the Douglas County Food Policy Council
 1. *Motion to approve Quinlan Carttar as Co-Chair of the Douglas County Food Policy Council by Emily Lysen. Second by Shelby Ostrom. All in favor. Motion passed.*
 - e. **Presentation: Douglas County Local Food Fellow – Local SNAP Retailer Report 2025**
 - i. Presenter: Grant Misse
 - ii. Overview of the 2025 Local SNAP Retailer Report prepared to support food security strategies in the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). Discussion and Q&A
 - iii. ACTION: No Action Needed
 - f. **City of Lawrence Central Station Official Comment from DCFPC**
 - i. “The Douglas County Food Policy Council’s Economic Development Working Group is proud to serve our local food system entrepreneurs by providing and directing them to needed resources to help them be successful. This work is guided by the Douglas County Food System Plan and through the support of



Douglas County Government and the Douglas County Sustainability Office. We appreciate Lawrence Transit for inviting us to help in the effort in finding a food vendor for Central Station and we congratulate Boba and Beyond on being selected as the first concessionaire.”

- ii. ACTION: Consider approval of proposed language for the DCFPC’s official comment on the City of Lawrence Central Station, to be included in the upcoming press release announcing the opening of their new concessions.

- 1. *Motion by Quinlan Carttar to approve the prepared language by Tyler Lindquist as our official comment from the Food Policy Council for the concessionaire. Second By Emily Lysen. All in favor. Motion passed.*

g. World Cup 2026 – Food Systems Updates

- i. Tyler Lindquist (Cultural & Experience Working Group) and Emily Lysen (Economic Development Working Group) are actively engaged in planning efforts for the World Cup. The Economic Development group is focusing on the impact to local businesses, including food vendors. The Lawrence Farmers’ Market (LFM) is developing communications to highlight the Lawrence and Douglas County experience, including farm tours and events. LFM is also addressing logistical concerns like parking and maintaining regular customer flow during the event and is pursuing a large marketing grant to support these efforts.
- ii. Jill deVries Jolicoeur emphasized the importance of understanding the needs of food entrepreneurs to ensure their success during the World Cup. Emily and Tyler are advancing conversations around high-level policy and infrastructure support. Douglas County plans to provide some funding for local food vendors and is primarily focused on health and safety coordination.
- iii. Mackie Moore shared that cultural experiences are being planned for the event period. Additionally, ServSafe certifications are being offered in June and July 2025 through Haskell USDA Extension to support food vendor preparedness. Additional workshops and ideas are in the works to get entrepreneurs ready for the World Cup at HINU.
- iv. Shelby Ostrom serves as an Equity Advisor for the Unified Command for the World Cup. In her role, she is helping ensure that equity is integrated across planning efforts. FIFA has made formal commitments around sustainability, including reducing food waste, lowering climate impacts, and supporting broader environmental goals. All implications for local food systems.
- v. ACTION: No Action Needed

h. Next Meeting

- i. The Next full council meeting will take place on Monday July 21, 2025 at 6:30pm in person at 1006 New Hampshire St. Lawrence KS 66044 and virtually via Teams.

i. Meeting Adjourned