Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council Meeting Minutes
Date & Location: Wednesday, March 22, 2023; United Way of Greater Knoxville
Type of Meeting: Voting
Recorder: Brett Foster

Attending Appointed (Voting) Members	**Bruce Crabtree** **Bailey Foster** **Brett Foster** **Laura Deubler** **Ross Jones** **Sara Keel** **Marisa Moazen** **Rylan Thompson** **Lauren Woods**
Attending Associated (Non-voting) Members	**Adam Caraco** **Kara Finger** **Nicole Gross** **Travis Henderson** **Marissa McKeague** **Charlotte Rodina** **Wade Seifert** **Caesar Stair**
Other Attendees	Madelyn Howe—Knox County Health Department Kimberly Pettigrew—United Way Greater Knoxville Kaki Reynolds—East TN Collaborative Sandra Wairimu—UT student Lillie Sutton—KCDC AmeriCorps Chris Battle—Battlefield Farm Kat Bike—Nourish Knoxville Liliana Burbano—UT Medical Center CJ Butcher—United Way Greater Knoxville Brian Cleveland Michelle Johnson—Nourish Knoxville dietetic intern Mary Clay Kline—Second Harvest Hailey Lewis—UT grad student Courtney Liles—Second Harvest Devalle Muhammad—Muslim Community of Knoxville Kayla Nichols—Appalachian RC&D Tiara-Lady Wilson—Rooted EastTiara-Lady Wilson—Rooted East Jackie Yenerall—UT Ag/Econ

1.	**Welcome and Introductions: Bailey Foster**
2.	**Presentation on TANF Opportunity Pilot & East TN Collaborative: Kaki Reynolds** DHS grant—one of 7 grantees across state, but only one locally to help spend down extra TANF funds. Goal is for families to reach self-sufficiency. "Economic Mobility Pathways" model—mobility mentors housed in 5 partner organizations to work with families on dreams/goals for their future. Flyers available; accepting referrals currently. Workforce placement program through Urban League is also a part of this. Ideal candidates: US citizens, custody of children in home, receiving some type of gov't assistance, interest in self-sufficiency journey.
3.	**Approval of Minutes: November 2022, January 2023, and February 2023** Minutes approved with following change: add Bruce Crabtree to November 2022 attendees. Motion: Marisa Moazen; Second: Lauren Woods
4.	**Committee Nominations: Bailey Foster** **Nominating Committee**: chair and at least 2 additional members for 1 year term—Marisa Moazen, Wade Seifert (chair), and Jessie Hillman **By-laws Committee:** chair and at least 2 additional members for 1 year term—Rylan Thompson (chair), Lauren Woods, and Tiara-Lady Wilson
5.	**Organizational Updates and Announcements:** **Knox County Schools Nutrition**—update on charge policy and encouragement of applying for free/reduced price meals if families haven't already **Knoxville/Knox Co. Planning**—Advance Knox, comprehensive plan underway in county—draft will be made for public review in a few months for public input (advanceknox.org) **American Heart Association**—collaboration with Second Harvest to support food pantries that lack cold storage/shelving units (promoting produce and heart-healthy foods); hoping to launch utensil drive for Western Heights (welcome baskets for new residents in new/upgraded units) **KCDC**—next Wednesday is kickoff for non-profit partners, 9 AM at Emerald Youth Foundation (revitalizing housing but also entire Beaumont neighborhood—one building is dedicated to food access and food entrepreneurship to create vitality in the community); website will be launched soon **KCHD**—job announcement-RD in community health, primary focus on chronic disease (masters degree preferred); job posted until 3/30 on county HR website

	United Way—conducting community-wide food security assessment; creating network map of organizations in food system—instructions to be included on map will be provided with minutes (list partners and/or potential partners); organizations can also list what they do within the food system
6.	**Asset Mapping Activity: Lillie Sutton and Sandra Wairimu** KCDC properties listed—organizations are asked to list what properties they serve and in what capacity, along with contact information. (Autumn Landing, 5 Points, North Ridge, First Creek—Austin, The Verandas, Cottages at Clifton)
7.	**Meeting Adjourned.**