

ALASKA



FOOD COALITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

FOOD BANK OF ALASKA

SEPTEMBER 22, 2008

2 – 3 PM

Toll Free Number: 1-866-316-1519 Participant Code: 723725

1. Welcome, Andrea Thistle, President

- a. In attendance
 - i. Kerri Burrows, Alaska Food Coalition
 - ii. Andrea Thistle, Valley Open Bible Fellowship
 - iii. Dana Paperman, Seward Senior Center
 - iv. Robin Stilwell, Food Bank of Alaska
 - v. Susannah Morgan, Food Bank of Alaska

2. Annual Meeting

- i. Date : February 8-10 (see proposed schedule below)
 - (1) Theme: Rising Food Costs
 - (2) Hotels/Food: Baranof and Silverbow were good, but will check prices to see who comes in cheaper for both food and lodging
 - (3) Legislative Event: Morning event on Tuesday. See if we can get Brett Luick from University Cooperative Extension to speak about the rising cost of food in Alaska. Breakfast would be labeled how expensive it would be in various locations in the state. Presentation of Hungriest Communities Research by Kerri and have Susannah talk about the Legislative Agenda for the AFC. Invitation possibilities include a grocery bill based on each area's costs or a common food item---slice of bread or empty milk jug or egg carton.
 - (4) Speaker/AFC Meetings
 - (a) AFC Meeting Location – CCS was difficult to maneuver last year. Check with George Briggs about a meeting location.
 - (b) Sessions include business meeting, Child Nutrition Reauthorization (get George from Feeding America or have state come in and speak about it), and round table discussion on how to get more food to your program
 - (5) Sunday night social
 - (a) Come in Sunday night and get a meeting room at the hotel for a get-to-know you session. Also do an advocacy introduction and talk about AFC Legislative Agenda
 - (6) Scholarships
 - (a) We have about the same amount of money that we had last year to spend on scholarships but we are expecting a few rural locations that want to attend. Will probably have to deny some scholarship applications. Approval will be based on longevity, participation, etc. and will be decided by Kerri.

3. Other Business, Concerns

4. Wrap-up

- a. With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Proposed Meeting Schedule

Sunday, February 8

- 7-8 p.m. Social Hour
- Introductions
- AFC Legislative Agenda
- How to Advocate

Monday, February 9

- (Breakfast on your own)
- 8 – 11 am Legislative Visits
- 11 am – 2 pm Lunch and Child Nutrition Reauthorization (w/ Feeding America)
- 2 - 3 pm AFC Business Meeting
- 3 – 5 pm Legislative Visits
- 6 pm Group Dinner and sharing

Tuesday, February 10

- 8 – 9:30 am Breakfast and Legislative Presentation
- 9:30 – 11:30 am Legislative Visits
- 11:30 am – 2 pm Lunch and Roundtable: Where Do We Find More Food?
- 2 – 3 pm Closing and Checkout