



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Connecticut

**Food Service Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 11, 2023 via Zoom**

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:06PM by Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III.

Attendance: Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III, (Chair), Mr. Matt Wilcox (Vice-Chair), Mr. Thomas Lamb, Ms. Krima Byrd, Ms. Susan Harris, Ms. Maria Karas, Ms. Gail Sharry

II. Introductions and Announcements: Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III introduced himself. Afterwards, members and attendees took turns introducing themselves. Ms. Sharry announced that the Food Service Director position will be posted by the City of New Haven and the State of Connecticut. New Haven Public Schools Food Services has launched an Instagram page. Please follow at the link below. <https://www.instagram.com/nhpscnp/>

III. Update on Plan for Expanding Access to Locally-Grown Healthy, Sustainable Food, Decreasing Packaging Waste, and Increasing Opportunities for Food Donation, Food Rescue, and Composting The Good Food Purchasing Outline was sent to Ms. Sharry. Mr. Lamb and Ms. Sharry will be reviewing the outline. Planning is ongoing and this line item will continue to stay on the agenda. New Haven Public Schools Food Services has worked diligently to decrease packaging waste and a food rescue program is currently in place at the Engineering and Science University School which is also known as ESUMS.



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**IV. Update from
Food Gap
Subgroup:**

Food distribution during the Christmas Recess was a great success. The next distribution will be held during the April Recess on April 11, 2023 from 3:00PM-5:00PM. Pop-up pantries will be at the following locations:

Truman School, 114 Truman Street
Lincoln Bassett School, 21 Butler Street
The Shack (West Hills Community Center), 333 Valley Street
John Martinez School, 100 James Street

**VII. Other
Business:**

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 8, 2023. Agenda items are due to Chair (Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III) and Vice-Chair (Matt Wilcox) by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 1, 2023.

Adjournment:

On the Motion by Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III to adjourn at 5:28PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Myers

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Central Kitchen Clerk