



## NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### Connecticut

#### Food Service Committee Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 10, 2022 via Zoom

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**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:03PM by Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III.

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**Attendance:** Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III, (Chair), Mr. Matt Wilcox (Vice-Chair), Ms. Alyson Fox, Ms. Susan Harris, Ms. Salina Manning, Ms. JoAnne Wilcox, Ms. Gail Sharry

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**II. Introductions and Announcements:** Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III introduced himself. Afterwards, members and attendees took turns introducing themselves. It was announced that Mr. Thomas Lamb would not be in attendance for this meeting.

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**III. Update on Sustainability and Environmental Consciousness Related to Food Service:** Students are asking for the Food Service Task Force, in collaboration with the New Haven Food Council, aim to create a plan within six months to expand access to locally grown healthy sustainable food, decrease packaging waste, and increase possibilities for food donations, food rescue and food composting. It was recommended to contact Ms. Latha Swamy and other stakeholders to gather information on how to move forward with a possible pilot program.

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**IV. Update from Food Gap Subgroup:** Ms. Alyson Fox announced that four sites will be used as pop-up food pantries for the August food gap. Information will be distributed to families via New Haven Public Schools automated calls and flyers. Pop-up pantries will be at the following sites on August 23, 2022 from 3:30PM-5:00PM:

- 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

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**V. District Food Allergy Plan Review:** The plan is still being reviewed and the Wellness part of the plan has been updated and posted. This topic will remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

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**VI. Update on Food Policies:** Dr. Yarborough has been reviewing the policies. The plan is to complete the updates in September. This topic will remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

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**VII. Other Business:** **NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14, 2022. Agenda items are due to the Chair (Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III) by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2022.

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**Adjournment:** **On the Motion by Dr. Orlando Yarborough, III to adjourn at 5:40PM.**

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Respectfully Submitted,

*Cheryl Myers*

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Central Kitchen Clerk