

Committee Reports

- Website Committee – Jay
 - Not met; updates to come
- Policy Committee – Ryan
 - Met Thursday March 31st
 - 5-6 others on the call
 - Discussion on policy to focus on – beyond anti-hunger perhaps to include food production
 - Excel sheet of various policies
 - Scheduled meeting with Rep Ecker (Adams County) to discuss upcoming PA budget
 - PA budget updates
 - State Food Purchase Program
 - PASS
 - Both up for negotiation
 - Action Update and contact Link to state budget-related contact prompt - <https://hungerfreepa.salsalabs.org/supportpafoodbanks22/index.html>
 - Federal side
 - Childhood Nutrition waivers for summer feeding program – ‘half expanded’ – USDA secretary issued waivers on pandemic-related programmatic tweaks related to ease of access (non-congregate meals, takeaway meals, bundle 5 days of meals together...); eligibility waivers
 - Trying to decide what initiatives and policies they want to pursue
 - Most participants already work in healthcare, food security, anti-hunger areas
 - Existing areas of the group will not limit policies they explore (ex: agriculture)
 - Want to make the group an open forum; invite concerned citizens, connect them with legislators, and/or help them work on issues close to them
 - Future meetings on the last Tuesdays of month 4:30-5:30pm
 - Email Ryan if interested!
- Local food Guide – Tammy
 - Not met (just Tammy, finals week at Gettysburg College)
 - Met with Gretchen Carleson-Natter in the Center for Public Service about ways to involve student volunteers... concerns about student participation (no available students)...
- Outreach – Yeimi (Update from Kathy)
 - Not many folks could attend meeting time
 - Continuing to plan for this year’s outreach initiatives
 - Presentations for Rotary and Kiwanis clubs
 - Sharing presentation with the Adams Economic Alliance (newsletter)
 - Still trying to work something out with the Chamber of Commerce
 - Challenge to schedule – get our group to level of importance/awareness...
 - ACFPC video on community media – Jennifer Eckerson will verify
 - Any opportunities
 - Tools – video, website,
 - Talking points in the works... speaker bureau type thing
- Food programs – Kathy
 - Goals:
 - Review program outcomes and how to efficiently gather data

- Pre and Post Surveys
 - 225 participants in 2021
 - 150 pre-surveys
 - Post surveys very challenging
 - Tried mail – low response rate
 - Tried calls – with intern staff, got 200 responses (pure dedication)
 - Without dedicated staff, approximately 50 response rates
 - Looking into text program (along with calls) -
- Revise marketing materials and expand outreach for these successful, relatively small, programs
 - Photo voices-type program will be repeated this year – Amy Dailey
 - Flyers for both programs Farmers Market program / Fruit & Veggie Bucks program – going out through school backpack programs, all Fruit & Veggie Bucks program participants

Member updates

- Kathy Gaskin – Healthy Adams County
 - Community walks started – every Wednesday
 - New website published this month, all info available here - <http://www.healthyladamscounty.org/>
 - Community Health Needs Assessment – WellSpan report available in June, community forum (date tbd) in October-ish
- Laura McMahon – United Way Adams County
 - Community sale on 5/28; 7am to 11:30pm or everything is gone – more info available here - <https://www.uwadams.org/>
- Reza
 - 3 Adams County Farmers Market events
 - Senior Day – June 11
 - Welcome to community groups focused on senior citizens
 - Email Reza if your group would like to attend - manager@acfarmersmarkets.org
 - COVID and flu vaccine clinic
 - Office of Aging – SFMNP checks distributed
 - Kids Day – August 20
 - Welcome to community groups focused on youth, contact Reza here if you're group would like to attend - <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=3bR1nZOuCh24THIMOXx2pBaLFGSZZRBLzVn9yEgEj1UQ0RaNUhNNFpYMjAwRlg2N1VKUTdQWkZOWi4u>
 - Young Entrepreneurs Day – September 10
 - Sign up here - <https://www.acfarmersmarkets.org/young-entrepreneurs-day>