

**Missouri Food Security Task Force**  
Organizational Meeting Agenda  
April 15, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Baker called the meeting to order by welcoming everyone on to the call. He then noted that all members all the call would be noted by roll call done by the Missouri Department of Agriculture staff.

**II. Roll Call**

**Task Force Members Present by Phone:**

Maile Auterson	Valerie – Nicholson Watson
Scott Baker, Chairman	Stephen Westbrooks
Carmen Berry	Christine Woody
Bill Coe	Director Chris Chinn
Ashley McCarty	Caitlin Whaley
Bill McKelvey	Barbara Shaw
Trina Ragain	Emily Ibach
Blake Rollins	

**Task Force Members Absent:**

Kristen Alley	Representative Gregory
Ricky Anderson	Representative Mackey
Senator Bean	Senator Washington
Lorin Fahrmeier	Kaitlyn Thomas
Stephen Latson	Dusty Johnson

**Staff Participating on Call:**

Danyelle High, Legislative Liaison  
Jill Wood, Agriculture Business Development Director  
Kristi Naught, General Counsel  
Christi Miller, Communications Director  
Carley Travis, Communications Coordinator

**Others Participating on Call:**

Ryan Gill, Senator Bean Chief of Staff  
Jennifer Tidball, Department of Social Services  
Sarah Walker, Department of Health and Senior Services  
Jordanna Mcleod  
Anam Khan  
Ginna Rivera  
Sarah Ritter, OFS

### III. Subcommittee reports

- Healthy Food Access Bill McKelvey, Univ. of MO
  - Discussed language of the statute; what that means for subcommittees intent.
  - Issues related to healthy food access
  - Other factors that contribute – transportation, unemployment.
  - Next meeting: April 27<sup>th</sup>
- Connecting Resources Ashley McCarty, MO Farmers Care
  - Pressures across food spectrum
  - Assessing approaches/models already working to connect resources
  - Invite leadership from MU extension to provide support and linkages
  - Next meeting: May 13<sup>th</sup>
- Food deserts Stephen Westbrooks, IFF
  - Discussed what food deserts are.
  - Contributors to food deserts/food insecurity
  - Focus on how to identify the correct resources/experts to connect with.
  - Next meeting: Not yet scheduled.
- Online retail Bill Coe, Green Acres Urban Farm and Research
  - Haven't met yet.
- Safety net programming Scott Baker, Feeding MO
  - Outline of Food Security programs/partnerships by Department of Health and Senior Services and Department of Social Services
  - Discussed how other states are addressing food insecurity.
  - Assigned duties for members to research food insecurity models.
  - Next meeting: Not yet scheduled.

### IV. Discussion

#### a. Public Input Sessions

- i. Chairman Baker stated he would like to have at least one session this summer to take public comment. Committee agreed and discussed how meetings will continue to be structured virtually.

### V. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approval of minutes from 10/18/21
  - i. Ashley made motion to approve minutes
  - ii. Bill Coe seconded
  - iii. Voice motion to approve minutes
- b. Approval of minutes from 1/28/22
  - i. Blake Rollins made the motion
  - ii. Stephen Westbrooks seconded
  - iii. Voice motion to approve minutes

### VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.