

MEETING MINUTES

Group Name: Tulsa Food Advisory Council

Council Chairman: _____

(Initial to evidence approval)

Date: June 6, 2018

Members Present: Joe M. Blasdel, Linda Gottschalk, Rocky Sturm, Evan Kelamis, Harry Lentz, Thomas Hunter, Randy Norman, Marilyn Been, Andrew Arvay, and Ruth Young

Members Absent: David Chambers, Alisa Trout-Schurr, Timothy Tregoning, Eric Bartlett and Dr. Scott Nicholson,

Others Present: DeBrena Hilton, Debbie Watts, Miriam Burkhart, Alan McGregor, Aaron Greenquist, Dr. Bruce Dart, Jennifer Haddaway, Collin Graham and Sara I. Rodriguez

MINUTES

- Andrew Arvay called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. The Minutes from February 7, 2018 were distributed and read. A motion to approve was made by Thomas Hunter and seconded by Linda Gottschalk. The motion passed.
- Mr. Arvay introduced Dr. Dart, Tulsa Health Department Executive Director, to the Council and introduction of the Council Members were made. Introduction of new sanitarians were also made: Miriam Burkhart, Alan McGregor, and Aaron Greenquist.
- Dr. Dart provided an update on the changes occurring in the Food Protection Services Program and how it will now be under the direction of the Director's office. DeBrena Hilton will serve as the Interim Food Program Manager. The program culture needs to change towards one of better communication and relationships with our operators. The program's policies and procedures are being reviewed with the goal for the Food Protection Services Program to be seen as an asset and resource for the community.
- Dr. Dart introduced Jennifer Haddaway, Project Manager, for the Tulsa Health Department (THD). Ms. Haddaway is researching other Food Programs across the country to evaluate and determine if their policies, procedures, and inspection tools may be resourceful to THD.
- Mr. Arvay provided some comments on behalf of Eric Bartlett, based on the experiences that Rib Crib has had during the inspections conducted by Food Protection sanitarians.
- Dr. Dart communicated to the Council that he has personally talked to many operators, having met with small groups of operators, and has established an anonymous phone line that has been set-up and open for the public at large to call and share their experiences with staff. The phone number is 918.595.4520 and Dr. Dart is the only person who answers the line.

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- Mr. Collin Graham with the Oklahoma Restaurant Association stated that their organization has always had a good working relationship with THD and appreciates the move that is ready to happen. Mr. Graham also mention that the Odyssey de Culinaire event is coming up in July and that the Oklahoma Restaurant Convention & Expo is in September.
- Mr. Thomas mentioned how he works with the sanitarians and how THD is a resource for his establishment. He would like to see the one-on-one inspection visits that were previously done with the operators and the sanitarian done again and that it was more relational.
- Mr. Arvay will reach out to the Council members that have been absent and determine if the members would like to continue to participate in the Council.
- Meeting was formally adjourned at 2:39p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS	ATTACHMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of Minutes - February 2018 Regular Meeting (Action Required) • Food Protection Services Update (No Action Required) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. February 2018 Minutes 2. Regular Meeting Agenda