

Natural Products and Agriculture Working Group

Minutes 12 11 25 Approved 3 26 26

Location: Auburn Hall, Room 204

Recorder: Dave Griswold

Staff attending: None

Attending: Kathy Shaw, Dave Griswold, Chloe Meyers, Grant Roberts, Chris Carson. Stephanie Broido

Excused: Chris Peirce, Pam Rousseau, David Bell, Joe Gray

Absent: Ed Michaud

Guests:

Call to Order: 6:05 pm

Public Participation: None

1. **Minutes:** Approved minutes from 10 30 25
2. **Public Comment:** None
3. **Local Foods Action Plan:**
 - a. Includes Auburn, Lewiston, Turner, Lisbon and Sabattus.
 - b. Next Steps for LA Community Market for February:
 - i. Membership drive
 - ii. Focus on Ethnic foods
 - iii. Public Market event at Auburn Library on April 10.
 - iv. Working on Farm & Forest collaboration with Auburn Library. "Feed the Mind, Feed the Body", nutrition, food demos etc.
 - c. LFAC Farmers Pot Luck and Dialogue, potential dates Feb 6,9,10,13 at Gather to Grow on Lisbon Street.
4. **A Monthly Winter Farmers Market** will be hosted at ELHS 12-18, 1-15, 2-12, 3-19
5. **A Green House is going up at ELHS, along with EDDIES Food Stand.** Tied to curriculum, focusing on education, production and community.
6. **Schools Food Processing Grant:** Chris Piercy was not available
7. **SNRB meeting on Jan 8, 6:00** in Auburn Hall Community Room. Grant will take over as our representative. A key agenda item will be discussion of a joint meeting of WGs and City Staff.

8. **Farm Plans:** Discussion of the approval process and need for means of ensuring follow through with approved plans.
9. **Good Food Council:** Chloe noted that the GFC would benefit from making connections with producers.

New Business: None:

Next meetings: January 22

Adjourned: 7:05 PM