

2019

Fireside AGM

TUESDAY DECEMBER 10TH, 2019

6:00 – 8:00 PM

@ ROOTS TO HARVEST

THUNDER BAY AND AREA FOOD STRATEGY

PREPARED BY KAREN KERK

Attendees

Erin Beagle
Michaela Bohunicky
Graham Bracken
Thora Cartlidge
Ken Deacon
Shelby Gagnon
Sue Gammond
Rachel Globensky
Sue Hamel
Ivan Ho
Linda Kelly
Karen Kerk
Jamie Kirychuk
Courtney Lanthier
Charles Levkoe
Ryan Lipscei
Annet Maurer
Kim McGibbon
Philip McGuire
Jessica McLaughlin
Ryan Moore
Gavin Morito-Karn
Kristen Oliver
Gwen O'Reilly
Rachel Portinga
Jelena Psenicnik
Tracy Tieman
Farren Tropea
Tyler Waboose
Carmen Wheeler

Land Acknowledgment

I would like to acknowledge the original custodians of this land and pay my respect to the Elders—past, present, and future... for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture, and the hopes of Indigenous peoples.

I would also like to recognize that we are on the traditional land of the Fort William First Nation—signatory to the Robinson Superior Treaty of 1850. We also acknowledge the political representatives of Indigenous Nations in northern Ontario: the Anishinabek Nation, Grand Council Treaty #3, Nishnawbe Aski Nation, and independent First Nations. The region also contains many Metis historic settlements.



6:00 PM Welcome and Introductions

Charles Levkoe welcomed all attendees and reviewed the agenda. Attendees introduced themselves.

6:15 PM Guest Speaker Presentations

Charles introduced both guest speakers.

Forest Meets Farm: School Food Literacy in the North

Presentation by Gavin Morito-Karn, Roots to Harvest

Seasons of Thunder Bay Cookbook

Presentation by Rachel Globensky, Chef & Author

6:50-7:00 PM Break

7:00 PM Food Strategy Updates & Highlights

- Karen Kerk presented an overview of highlights from the Food Strategy in 2019.
- Charles Levkoe talked about the TBAFS governance structure and membership.
- Jessica McLaughlin presented on the Indigenous Food Circle and TBAFS policy work.
- Dan Munshaw spoke about Nourish and local food procurement.
- Karen Kerk reviewed the budget.

7:25 PM Executive Nominations

Karen Kerk presented updates to the Terms of Reference and the slate of nominees for open executive committee positions in:

- Research/Education (Charles Levkoe, Lakehead),
- Agriculture (Jeff Burke) and
- First Nations/Indigenous Food Circle (Jessica McLaughlin).

Ivan Ho made a motion to elect the slate of nominees. Annet Maurer seconded. Approved by all in attendance.

7:45 PM Roundtable Updates

Food Initiative Updates from the Food Strategy Council facilitated by Karen Kerk

Annet Maurer – Manager, Thunder Bay Country Market

Profiled women-led business grants in the food sector including Sleepy G Farms and a new cheese farm facility for Walkabout Farms.

Thora Cartlidge – OMAFRA

Upcoming research project to identify agricultural land in the area (abandoned, Crown, etc.) to create an inventory and eventually work to attract new farmers to the area.

Ryan Lipscei – Northwestern Ontario Innovation Centre

New SNAPP funding. See TBAFS Dec 2019 newsletter for details.

Philip McGuire – McGuire Greenhouses

Shared resources about the lifecycle of eco systems and how they are affected by human-made dams.

Victoria Pullia – Thunder Bay & Area Food Strategy

Magnus Play Cottagers and Indians in March 2020. Use TBAFS to get a 10% discount code.

8:05 PM Thank You & Adjourn

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