

BSFP General Meeting Minutes–2/26/13 Thanks for the scones, Ethan! Meet the leaders of the BSFP.

If you've worked on farms or in the food sector over field work term, don't forget to contact Zoe, Molly or Mariah Catz2, our bloggers so that they can write up awesomely neat blog posting!

Farm Update:

There are going to be 2 work study positions (Bryan will be taking one of them). Meet up with Bryan after the meeting and email VImbruce@bennington.edu for more specific details. Everyone is welcome, except for the seniors. Looking for someone who is willing to really take on the farm manager position and moving the farm forward.

Farm Meeting–Sunday 12pm, starting this weekend. Meet in the UpCafe

Goals for the term include:–cob/pizza oven organized and built this term (school approval, funding and materials)–Hoop House–Improve on the past–Youth Agriculture Project (high school mentoring program); Youth Agriculture Program Network–set up relationship with growers and buyers–want to partner with high school and us (partnership to build greenhouse, etc.)!

Have we thought about an aquaponics system?

COOP Updates:

We have a space in UpCafe! Look out for more details! Doodle will be sent out in the next email to figure out meeting times. (Thanks, Alana!) Sam Tymchyn suggested setting up a committee for Earth Day–volunteer/ co-op event. Contact Forest for more info. Meeting this Thursday 1pm–UpCafe–**just this week.**

Secretarial Updates: Setting up at Twitter account Revamped google docs for better access.

If you take minutes–email benningtonsustainablefood@gmail.com and they will be updated. Also the general email so don't be afraid to ask question or bring up ideas! Oceana Wilson in the library, offered the library as a general resource for projects, displays, seed starting, etc.

Maple Sugaring: We tapped a number of trees this past weekend! We need to split more wood for this and next season. We need to figure out scheduling for collecting sap and boiling. We've already got 60 gallons! Maple sugaring info sessions–Friday and Saturday

Any other ideas?? Bennington Environmental Action Group–Meeting this Thursday 8:30pm at the EAC–general brainstorm, what they want to do and accomplish. Really want to take up in house composting. Please check it out!

Sunfest is in May (at some point)! Contact Student Life about sponsoring the BSFP at that event.

Dining Hall Updates: Bringing on Aramark as our new food service provider. We've signed a contract for 10 years. How can we get involved? Can we track where they source from? Where else do they work? BSFP put in charge of developing some type of conversation with all constituents. Set up a committee to have more specific conversations about this. This term is critical! What is the timeline? When will the contract be firm? Could students read this contract?