

Teton Food and Farm Coalition Meeting

October 27, 2021

12:00-1:00 pm via Zoom

1. **Welcome & Introductions-** Jen Werlin, UI Extension Educator; Tammy Sachse, Extension Assistant; Abby Grundler, 4-H Coordinator; Hallie Poirer, Teton County Fairgrounds; Haley Slone, Mountain Roots; Mike Neuman, Teton Valley Food Pantry; Iris Saxer, Teton Valley Community Recycling; Melissa Wilson, Attending Idaho State University Masters Program studying Teton Valley agriculture; Trish Jacoby, Driggs Elementary PTO president.

2. **New Business:** Haley Slone from Mountain Roots gave a presentation of the school garden program in Teton Valley with TSD401. She also presented about the history of Mountain Roots (previously Full Circle Education). She covered new and established gardens. Established gardens are: Tetonia Elementary School and Alta School. Victory Elementary began the process in the spring of 2021. Driggs Elementary is on the horizon.
 - a. **Begins with Field trips**
 - b. **Starts with Fall Classes with Mountain Roots**
 - c. **Some classes continue into winter**
 - d. **Many partnerships within the community make new gardens possible**
 - e. **Map out and plan the garden long term**
 - f. **Greenhouses, tool shed, garden tools and gloves**
 - g. **Fruit trees**
 - h. **Farm to table**
 - i. **Harvest**
 - j. **Outdoor cooking and pizza oven**
 - k. **Volunteers needed**

3. **Partner Updates:**

Mike from the Food Pantry said they are all moved into the Teton School District Facility (481 N. Main). He wanted everyone to keep the food pantry in mind when writing grants. The food pantry is looking for a compost bin to recycle old food waste.

Hallie Poirer from the Fairgrounds and Church of the Tetons will be doing community service on the community garden October 31, 2021, from 10-1 pm. They are looking for more help this day to put the garden to bed for the year.

Jen would like to encourage the schools with green houses to try start a grow-a-row program so they could also donate food to the Food Pantry and Community Resource center of Teton valley's Food for Good program next year.

4. **Next Meeting:** Friday November 19, 2021, 12-1pm via Zoom (login info will be posted at www.tetonfoodfarmcoalition.org).

Adjourned: 1:05pm