

CFSC Membership Meeting Agenda

Desirable Outcomes

Participants will—

- Help create a vision for the future of the CFS movement
- Strengthen their connections to the broader CFS movement, and gain perspective on how their work fits in
- Gain ideas and information that will be useful for their own work
- Develop a stronger sense of connection with CFSC and make a valued contribution to its future directions

CFSC will –

- Involve members in generating ideas and knowledge that will be useful for the future planning and activities of the Coalition
- Hold committee and working group meetings for making connections and future planning
- Gain ideas for how to strengthen the committees and how to engage members and support their work more effectively
- Build involvement, support, and buy-in of members

Sunday Nov 11 CFS Movement: Accomplishments, Future Potential

8:00-9:00 Registration/check-in

9:00-9:30 Introduction

Purpose: Overview of why we are here; value of participation; importance of meeting for CFSC to get membership input on future role and programs. How the meeting is designed to support interaction and strategic thinking, and how results will be used.

9:30-10:45 Making Change in the Food System – Stories from the Field

Purpose: Help people warm up and get to know each other. Explore what has changed in the food system and how change happened.

- A. Panel People involved in different aspects of CFS work tell brief stories of how change was created in different sectors or settings.
- B. Table Top Conversations on positive changes accomplished by your organization and the key factors that made that change possible.
- C. Report Out

10:45-11:00 Break

11:00-12:30 Mapping the CFS Movement's Strengths, Challenges and Opportunities

Purpose: Create a common picture of what has been accomplished in the last five years, and identify future opportunities and challenges.

- A. Presentations on strengths and strategic directions of several sectors of the CFS movement. Q&A
- B. Table top conversations on most significant opportunities and challenges for the CFS movement over the next five years.

12:30-1:30 Lunch/Networking

1:30-3:15 Vision for the Movement

Purpose: Identify the characteristics of a preferred future vision; spark creativity in thinking about how to attain that vision.

- A. Table Top conversations to brainstorm the characteristics of your preferred future for community food security, and make a creative depiction of how its successful accomplishment will be described in the future.
- B. Showcase of the future of community food security

3:15-3:30 Break

3:30-5:00 Strategies for Change—How Do We Get to the Vision?

Purpose: Imagine and explore ways our movement could make a big difference over the next five years. Generate strategic thinking that people can take back to their own work. Set the stage for tomorrow's discussion on CFSC's future role.

- A. Table top conversations Build on the opportunities/challenges identified and the preferred visions to identify how we can move toward attaining the vision.
- B. Report out and discussion.
- C. Summary and overview of tomorrow.

5:00-7:00 Networking Opportunities

7:00 Dinner on Site—Awards and Chautauqua

Monday Nov 12 Future Directions and Strategies for CFSC

8:30-9:30 Current Status of CFSC – Progress Report and Official Business

Purpose: provide a report of goals achieved, challenges faced, funds raised and how they were spent. Announce new board members and intentions for the upcoming year.

9:30-10:30 CFSC's Role in the Future

Purpose: Explore what CFSC's role in the movement should be. Get ideas and input for planning by CFSC.

- A. Summary of the day before, our common vision, and a look at the roles of CFSC over time and future options
- B. Full group discussion on future roles for CFSC

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-11:45 Making a Difference: Engaging and Supporting Members

Purpose: Share ideas on what CFSC could do to support your work, and how you'd like to be engaged in CFSC.

- A. Table Top Conversation: What support would you like CFSC to provide for your work or your community? How would you like to be informed by CFSC? Involved in CFSC?
- B. Report out.

11:45-12:15 Summary and Creation of Working Groups for Afternoon

Purpose: Provide an overview on how CFSC currently is structured to support member involvement, including committees and emerging working groups. Identify issues around which members want to connect and plan for future work with CFSC.

12:15-1:30 Lunch

1:30-2:15 Connect and Learn

Purpose: Explore emerging issues, working groups and committees for CFSC, and brainstorm ideas for what these groups might work on over next 2-5 years

2:15-2:30 Break

2:30-4:00 Committee and Working Group Meetings

Purpose: Meet with a group or committee that you want to work on in the next 1-2 years to plan actions and how you will work together and recommend ways CFSC can best support your efforts

4:00-4:30 Action Plans and Recommendations

Purpose: To share what you plan to accomplish over the next 2 -5 years, and 2-3 suggestions of what the board should consider in planning for the future

4:30-5:00 Closing Ceremony

5:00-7:00 Networking Opportunities