

Date: Sept 9, 2022

Time: 16:30-20:00 (PT)

Location: Zoom

Subject: Introduction to Consensus Decision Making via Community Development Workshop

Facilitator: Laura Chatham

Note taker: Laura Chatham

In attendance: In Attendance: Heather, Marjorie, Pam, Nicola, Gary

Meeting Notes

Topic	Recorded Notes
Overview & Key Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting occurred as per the Agenda with a presentation, discussion, and practice with <i>Consensus Decision Making</i> (CDM).• Introductions for our new members, Heather and her adult son, who are interested in joining the <i>Pizza Cohousing</i> community group.• Marjorie & Nicola have offered to help organize an Online Platform Workshop to help us all become more familiar & efficient with using Slack and a file-sharing system (tbd). A call has been sent out to confirm this and ask them and Jocelyn (not present but who is also well versed with Slack) to form a '<i>Technology Working Group</i>' to help education, coordinate, and maintain these platforms for OKC and their community groups (this call was also for if anyone wants to join or start a '<i>Event Planning Working Group</i>'. Let me know if you're interested!)
Community Group Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Heather and Marjorie present to represent <i>Pizza Cohousing</i>:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– No meeting time set, so this was worked on during the workshop.• Pam, Nicola, and Gary to represent <i>Rural Cohousing</i>:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Eva is visiting Gary's property this weekend– Talk of hosting a gathering a Gary's property (the hopeful Rural Cohousing site); plans discussed further during the workshop <p>* These Updates will occur at the beginning of EVERY MCM GOING FORWARDS to help the groups make and communicate their progress, also to give a chance for the groups to learn from each other.</p>
CDM Workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each group noted above went into a breakout room to work on the August MCM Deliverables Worksheet via the <i>Fist-to-Five Consensus Method</i>. These documents were sent out to each of the community groups separately – If you did not receive your community worksheet, please let me or one of your group members know.

- **Community Group Meeting Times** (to meet independently of the MCM):

- **Rural Cohousing** is going to meet **30 minutes before the next MCM** (Oct 13) and also set a time to meet in-person, hopefully at Dauna's house (who wasn't there but your place was volunteered!; you'll all have to coordinate this working) or Gary's property where the community is planning to build.
- **Pizza Cohousing** will coordinate a meeting time through this link: <https://www.when2meet.com/?16756738-FAUP9>. *Instructions are as follows:*
 - Create a user & password (keep those on file as we'll be using this simple platform more in the future)
 - fill in the dates you're available – I'd suggest at minimum 1 hr blcks and if you're able to meet for longer all the better. You'll be able to see everyone else's availability highlighted in green so try for as much overlap as possible (ie. dates that work for the majority). I was only able to go up to Oct 8, so hopefully something in there works.
 - This platform also works well to set up **regular meeting times** and before or during this initial meeting, I encourage *all groups* to set up a time to meet **once per month at a minimum**.

***For Everyone:** <https://www.when2meet.com/> is a great, simple-to-use meeting planner. We'll be using it more to plan OCK events, and I'd recommend it to help coordinate events / regular meetings amongst your group. See instructions above under *Pizza Cohousing*.

Looking Ahead

- **NEXT MCM Meeting will be Oct 13th Online & (hopefully) In-Person**

THEME: The Cost of Cohousing: Introduction to Building a Budget & Feasibility Study – to explore the different costs associated with developing cohousing, from the initiating stage we're in now, through to construction & ongoing payments.

* Note that **I am not able to attend the in-person portion** of this meeting as I have class everything from 5-6:30PM every Thursday until December. Gord is also not able to attend this meeting so the conference room is not accessible. **So, if there is to be an in-person portion we will need some initiation from you all to make this happen, then I can join you before 7.**

- Several Social and informational events are in the works, so be sure to keep up to date with OKC events posted [here](#).

THANK YOU ALL FOR ANOTHER GREAT MEETING!

