



# DANE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## Dane County Food Council

Email List Serv – Welcome Notice

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The Dane County Food Council now has an email list serv to facilitate discussion and sharing of ideas among members and others interested in the work of the Council.

By default, appointed members of the Council are signed up to the list. Please use this link to unsubscribe or subscribe to the list: All users must provide an email address to post to the lists. More detailed information for the forum is listed below.

*All forums, like all meetings, are open to all interested citizens.*

**Subscribe Email** - If a citizen is not a member, but would like to be, send an email to one of the below addresses.

**Subscribe Web Address** - If a citizen is not a member and prefers web-based forum, click on the appropriate link.

**Web Forum** - Each forum will have a publicly available archive on the Internet enabling participants to access present or past discussions.

**Email Post** - The lists are accessible through regular email where users can send and post messages on topics of discussion and reply to other posts.

### **Dane County Food Council Forum**

Subscribe Web Address: <http://lists.wiscnet.net/mailman/listinfo/foodcouncil>

Web Forum: <http://lists.wiscnet.net/pipermail/foodcouncil/>

Email Post: <mailto:foodcouncil@lists.wiscnet.net>

### **Ground Rules**

The Dane County Email List Serv forums provide Dane County residents a place to interact, discuss, and share ideas with each other. Just as in the larger Dane County community, participants may have strongly held, differing opinions on any given subject, including controversial or contentious topics. In the interest of maintaining a polite decorum and facilitating productive discourse, the email list serv forums shall function in the same spirit and with the same general rules as other bodies of the county board. All participants are asked to honor these guiding principles:

- All ideas have value
- No one person shall dominate the discussion
- Ideas may be debated but personal attacks are not permitted

- Any member may call the question of any member's failure to adhere to these ground rules at any point during the meeting
- No Profanity

Similarly, the following rules are designed to ensure that the forums function in an orderly and constructive manner. Failure to abide by the rules may result in violators being removed from the listserv and barred from future list serv participation.

1. You may not harass, abuse, threaten, or advocate violence against other members or individuals or groups.
2. You may not post content that is harmful to minors.
3. You may not post content that is obscene, otherwise objectionable, or in violation of federal or state law.
4. Stay on topic. Although all groups are different, your fellow participants will appreciate it if you stay on topic. If you constantly stray from the topic you may be moderated or removed from a group altogether.
5. You may not add members to a group without their permission.
6. You may not use the Dane County List Serv for commercial or advertising purposes.
7. You may not post content which infringes the intellectual property, privacy or other rights of third parties.
8. You may not post adult-oriented content on this list serv.
9. Some content may be more appropriate in some contexts than others. Dane County reserves the right to remove content that it determines, at its sole discretion, to be inappropriate and in violation of these rules.
10. You may not use Dane County List Serv solely for the purpose of storing and archiving files.

If you are uncertain whether or not the content of your post is consistent with these policies, please err on the side of caution and do not post the content on the Dane County List Serv or any other Dane County community area.

### **Right To Terminate**

Dane County, at its sole discretion, may terminate or remove any content or member without notice if, (a) Dane County believes that you have acted inconsistently with the spirit or the letter of these guidelines and rules, or (b) Dane County believes you have violated or tried to violate the rights of others. If you observe a member or content that violates our rules, please let us know by [contacting us](#).

### **Intent**

This open and public "electronic public hearing" or "electronic discussion forum" is for people interested in topical information pertaining to the Dane County Food Council. It is intended to serve as an additional venue where Dane County citizens can provide input and discuss related topics. No meetings of the Dane County Food

Council will convene and no official Council business will be conducted. All submitted content (even removed content) and email addresses become a matter of public record and subject to any open meetings request.

### **Official Public Meeting Notice**

This hereby serves as an official notice pursuant to the state Open Meetings Law that a possible quorum of county governmental bodies may exist while participating on the Dane County Food Council project list serv, accessible online at this listed web address: <http://lists.wiscnet.net/mailman/listinfo/foodcouncil>. The list serv discussion is ongoing and will be active so long as the Dane County Food Council continues as a body of the County Board. At any given time, a quorum of any Dane County committee, or the County Board, could be participating in a discussion on this site. However, no governmental body will convene or make any decisions while active on the list serv - the list serv exists for discussion and informational purposes only. The websites are all publicly accessible and available for review.

People who do not have a computer or access to the Internet at work or home can generally find free publicly accessible terminals for use at their local library. Alternate means of accessing this information are available; please contact County Staff at 608-267-2536. Information taken off-line (due to limited server space) will also be made available for public review and subject to open records requests. This announcement will be posted permanently with the Dane County Clerk's office.