## **Sloppy Joes**

## **Ingredients:**

- 2-3 lbs ground meat (hamburger, turkey, venison or whatever you have)
- 1 onion, finely chopped (*optional*)
- 1 bell pepper, finely chopped (*optional*)
- 2-3 stalks celery, finely chopped (*optional*)
- 1/2 c. frozen okra, finely chopped (optional)
- 1/2 c. mushrooms, finely chopped (optional)
- 6 oz tomato paste
- 8 oz tomato sauce
- 3/4 c. water
- 3-4 T. yellow mustard
- 1 t. salt (we like to use mineral salt or Lawry's garlic salt)
- 1/2 t. garlic powder, it not using garlic salt
- 1 t. chili powder or <u>Creole seasoning</u>
- 1 T. sugar (I have been using <u>Stevia</u> or <u>Monkfruit</u> in place of the sugar)
- a sprinkle of <u>Turmeric</u>, (optional)
- 2 T. <u>nutritional yeast</u>, (optional)
- sliced cheese, (optional)
- Buns

## **Directions:**

Brown the meat in a large skillet and drain, if needed.

Add the veggies to the meat in the skillet and saute until tender.

Add the remaining ingredients, other than the sliced cheese and buns, stirring well.

Cover and simmer for about 10-15 minutes.

Add the remaining ingredients, stir well, and simmer for 10-15 minutes.

Serve on buns with cheese, if desired.

Very good with <u>Cole Slaw</u> and <u>French Fries</u>.