

CoC General Meeting Minutes

DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

TYPE: REGULARLY-
SCHEDULED

TIME: 10:00-11:00 AM

LOCATION: NASHVILLE RESCUE
MISSION

FACILITATOR	Paula Foster, Chair, Homelessness Planning Council
TAKER OF MINUTES	Suzie Tolmie, MDHA Staff
MEMBER ATTENDEES	On File

AUGUST MINUTES, REMEMBRANCE

SEAN MULDOON	Paula Foster asked if there were any corrections to the August CoC General meeting minutes. There were no corrections.
DEATHS SINCE LAST MEETING	Attendees were asked to observe a moment of silence to remember members of the homeless community who had died during the prior month. Paula asked for additional names of people who may have died to be submitted to the Homeless Impact Division.

COC GENERAL BUSINESS

INTRODUCTIONS	
FACILITATOR	Paula said that April Calvin has taken on additional responsibilities at The Salvation Army, and cannot act as facilitator of these meetings. Paula recommended Matt Gray take on the role.
ACTION ITEMS- HARD COPIES NEEDED	Steve Reiter said that hard copies of anything being voted/acted on should be made available at the meetings. Jeremy (?) moved for this, Sean Muldoon 2 nd . Only 2 opposed; PASSED.
COC 2019 NOFA	Suzie Tolmie asked applicant agencies to give a brief sketch of all the projects. She presented the rankings of the Performance Evaluation Committee (PEC) that were approved by the Homelessness Planning Council (HPC) on September 11. The estimated Tier 1 funding line falls in the Urban Housing Solutions Permanent Supportive Housing project.
DATA COMMITTEE	Bill Friskies-Warren described the Racial Disparity report presented to, and approved by, the HPC. A disparity exists in Nashville's homeless population. 28% of the general Nashville population is black, while 43% of those experiencing homelessness are black. HMIS statistics show an even greater disparity, with 52% of homeless persons entered in HMIS being black. A disparity is also seen in the composition of boards of directors of CoC member agencies, as well as in the staff of agencies responding to the workplace survey. The committee will now begin to see if any disparities exist in outcomes such as length of time homeless & exits to permanent housing.
POINT-IN-TIME (PIT) SUBCOMMITTEE	Tina Sivley, chair, reported that the group needs leads on some teams. The 2020 count will be the night of January 23, with a backup bad-weather date of January 28.

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MEMBERSHIP	<p>Matt Gray, chair, said that the committee is considering topics for a November 7 symposium on homelessness. He reviewed rights to vote on the Charter approval, coming later in the agenda. In order to vote, individuals or agencies must have completed a membership form, and attended at least 50% of the meetings over the last year.</p>
WRITTEN STANDARDS /STANDARDS OF CARE	<p>Matt Preston, chair, reported that the Standards were approved September 11 by the Homelessness Planning Council, and the next phase is a deeper dive to expand beyond agencies that receive CoC and/or ESG funding.</p>
PERFORMANCE EVALUATION COMMITTEE (PEC)	<p>Suzie reported that there were no appeals filed by applicant agencies. Matt Deeb was thanked for his years of hard work serving as chair.</p>
HMIS OVERSIGHT	<p>Rachel Cook reported that this group has been meeting every 2 weeks on documents (End User, Consent forms, etc.). The Policies & Procedures have been approved, and are on the HID website.</p>
CHARTER REVISED FOR 2019- VOTE	<p>The HMIS Lead & Collaborative Applicant should recuse themselves from voting, as terms for these roles are defined in the revision. In this case, the Committee moves for adoption of the revised Charter. Sean Muldoon 2nd. Steve Reiter felt that there are not reports or accountability for HMIS Lead & Collaborative Applicant, and moved that the general membership vote on these designations annually. Failed for lack of 2nd. Regarding the role of the Executive Committee, on p. 9, Tim Leeth moved for a friendly amendment- changing the word “setting” agenda to “preparing” the agenda. Steve 2nd. On the amendment, 3 voted FOR, 1 opposed, 20 abstained. PASSED. Vote for Charter as amended- 23 For, 2 opposed, 2 abstained. PASSED.</p>
OTHER BUSINESS	<p>Linda Bailey, of Open Table Nashville, announced that they are working on the 2020 version of Where to Turn in Nashville. Please get any updates to her. Suzie will send info out to the CoC listserv.</p> <p>Suzie announced that beginning in October, the CoC General meetings will be starting at 10:15 instead of 10, to allow for more time to transition from the Coalition meeting.</p> <p>Matt Preston suggested the CoC General membership meet less frequently, perhaps 6 times a year or maybe 4 times, starting in January. Committees are working hard between meetings and getting much work done. He made a motion for the group to meet 6 times a year. Sean Muldoon 2nd. Steve Reiter said to put this decision off.</p> <p><i>Change approved October 2019 meeting: Steve Reiter requested that his reasoning be provided regarding his comment in the “Other Business” agenda item. In September, the General body voted to meet less frequently. Steve said to put the decision off. He proposed that all meetings where a vote will be called, requires that the agenda be made public/publicly posted beforehand prior to the meeting beforehand.</i></p> <p>24 voted for, 1 opposed, 1 abstention. PASSED.</p>