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Coordinating Committee Meeting

October 7, 2019

Minutes

Coordinating Committee Attendees:

Jennifer Wintermyer
Maria Chianos
Jennifer Strechay
Marilyn Bellesfield
Dennise Hill

Bryan Davis
Crystal Brown
Cadie Wyatt
Michael Weisberg
Denise Britton

Darrel Reinford also attended.

Jennifer Wintermyer convened the meeting at 2:05 pm.

Motion by Denise Britton to adopt the August meeting minutes without corrections.

Seconded by Jennifer Strechay.

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Bryan Davis reported that the City's ESG for 2019 -2020 will not include a pass through CACH. He asked Franchon Dickerson about applying an administrative fee to HMIS and has not heard back. CACH submitted a proposal for HMIS.

Committee Reports

Public Information and Education – Deb Ritchey reported that in Crystal Brown's absence (she later attended this meeting), the agency Educating Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH) is working with students from HACC interested in teaming up with a local non-profit organization for the semester in order to aid them in their design wishes, free of charge. They will work with CACH in developing a brochure. This committee will work again this year with ECYEH on awareness around National Hunger and Homeless Week, November 11 – 15, 2019. Bryan Davis was

suggesting that the HACC students work on the CACH website, a recommendation made by Leadership Harrisburg Area.

Coordinated Entry – Marilyn Bellesfield updated us that the committee is now working with the YWCA DV unit to include a macro number of people served so as to include them in the Coordinated Entry System (CES). Additional work is also being done on the policies and procedures manual.

2019 Continuum of Care (CoC) application – Jennifer Wintermyer thanked George Payne and the Ranking committee for all their work on this year's CoC application. Bryan Davis said that much time was spent by the committee on understanding the Part 2s of the application; agencies' renewals. Regarding CACH's new application for CES funds, if awarded CACH will issue a Request for Proposals for the work. He talked briefly about Gaudenzia/Delta's new application for domestic violence/rapid re-housing funds. Both Part 1 and all Part2s are posted on the CACH website. Jennifer told us that the Ranking committee will start early in 2020. A review of our process will take place in April 2020.

CCIMS – Deb Ritchey distributed the attached HMIS reports for Rapid Re-housing, ESG and HMIS for September 1 – October 7, 2019.

Action Item – The final draft of revised by-laws plus an organizational chart was emailed earlier. Jennifer Wintermyer pointed out the because of the mission of the Community Conversations committee, the Planning and Resource committee revised Community Conversations name to Faith-Based Initiatives. CACH is committed to broadening church, synagogue and mosque involvement beyond the city. Bryan Davis proposed language changes to Article 1, A. since CACH is on file at HUD as the CoC. His other recommendation was the draft's reference to Blueprint versus Consolidated Plan. This last recommendation is made in order to be consistent with HUD language. The election process for the Board of Directors is outlined in the revision. This Board and the Planning and Resource Development committee replaces the Coordinating committee. Once approved, policies and procedures will be developed. Jennifer will take questions and concerns about this draft and it is planned for approval next month. Mike Weisberg explained what representation is established in the Board positions. One goal was to eliminate the conflict of interest with agencies receiving HUD monies making policy decisions for the organization. Appreciation was expressed for the work by Dan Eisenhauer, Bryan and Mike.

Old Business – Darrel Reinford expressed concern that there doesn't seem to be community or organization capacity to meet the needs of homeless women and children during winter adverse weather conditions. This need was historically met by the YWCA. It is predicted that four to eight women and children may need this assistance. He suggested that CACH respond by identifying a way to meet the

need in *adverse* winter weather. Management of such a program is one of the challenges.

New Business – Bryan Davis told us that someone in the court system is referring to CACH for doing community service. We are putting such referrals in touch with our partners, as CACH doesn't have the ability to identify and supervise such individuals.

Jennifer Wintermyer asked what was happening to residents of boarding houses being shut down. If federal funds are involved with acquiring and/or improving such a property, those residents receive priority on permanent housing lists.

Adjourned 3:00

Next Meeting: Monday, **November 4, 2019** at the YWCA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Ritchey Project Manager