



Homeless Services Consortium Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2019 – 11:00am-1:00pm
Urban League of Greater Madison
2222 S Park St Madison, WI 53713

Call to Order and Welcome – 11:03am

Present: Heidi Wegleitner, Takisha Jordan, Maggie Carden, Robin Sereno, Kathy Kamp, Liz Duffie, Torrie Kopp Mueller, Jani Koester, Kim Sutter, Melissa Mennig

1. **Introductions** – Guest present: Debra Puzzo – TRC, Case Manager
2. **Approval of 05/17/19 Minutes** – Wegleitner asked for name to be corrected, Kamp motioned to approve with changes, Sereno seconded, all voted in favor except Jordan who abstained
3. **Approval of Additional EHH Funds** – Torrie Kopp Mueller
 - a. There was a \$75,581 total allocation increase in EHH funds from the State
 - i. \$40,000 was already approved to go to The Beacon’s bonus rapid resolution project, no action required
 - ii. \$13,160 was allocated to administration, no action required
 - iii. \$30,482 was allocated to assistance – Board already approved for additional funds to restore full funding levels to TSA family shelter, TSA single women’s shelter, Porchlight men’s shelter, and Briarpatch outreach (\$5,000 per program), and the remaining amount to the TRC eviction prevention clinic (\$10,482)
 - b. Heidi motioned to re-approve, Kamp seconded; all voted in favor except Robin, Liz, and Kim who abstained
4. **Review and Discussion of CoC Performance Spreadsheet** – Torrie Kopp Mueller
 - a. If a program has not operated for a full year, they will not appear on the spreadsheet
 - b. Some programs on the spreadsheet are not re-applying (CAC), others are consolidating (Tellurian, Porchlight)
 - c. Torrie explained each of the columns on the spreadsheet
 - d. Housing Initiatives and Tellurian have not complete the spreadsheet yet
 - e. Jordan clarified that cash match is required for 25% of the total award
 - f. Wegleitner clarified that utilization over 100% for a project is usually due to a program submitting an estimate of households served and having enough money remaining to serve additional families beyond that estimate
 - g. Column W (returns to homelessness from permanent exit destinations only) was added this year as an informational only column
 - h. Torrie confirmed that the Board agrees that programs with no exits at all would receive a score of 5 in the recidivism column because they had 0% returns
 - i. Liz mentioned that if column S (% of successful exits) includes retention of housing, the column should be re-labeled to make that clear (PSH only)
 - j. Jordan discussed the need for subsidized options in the community for folks who no longer need the services attached to PSH housing but still need financial assistance



5. Discussion of Compensation for Lived Experience of Homelessness Member Seats – Jani

Koester, Takisha Jordan

- a. Executive Committee discussed need for this, but needed to figure out how to have a fiscal sponsor; Road Home offered to do it in short term, but not a long-term solution
- b. Drafted a communication to funded agencies to see if they would be willing to contribute, Sutter requested that we send it out to the full membership and not just CoC- and EHH-funded agencies
- c. How many spots? – 2 spots, \$15/hour is the suggestion; Kopp Mueller estimated \$1,000 per year per member of the Board
- d. Duffie asked if this is just Board members, or anyone from the general membership; Koester stated only Board members initially; Carden mentioned that the HSC Compensation Policy itself is broader, Wegleitner suggested that having a broader scope for the ask is probably a good idea in case the response is overwhelming
- e. Fiscal sponsorship is important if we want to pay folks w/ money rather than gift cards
- f. The Youth Action Board is currently partnered with a fiscal agent and pays regular members \$15 hourly, then others w/ honorariums (Center for Community Stewardship)
- g. Wegleitner and Duffie suggested changes the letter before being put out
- h. Compensation policy should be added to a future agenda after changes are suggested
- i. Sereno asked whether there is a working definition of “lived experience”, there may be something to be said about getting informed about specific issues/experiences
- j. Torrie will re-draft the ask letter, send it to Executive Committee and Road Home before sending it out to the HSC listserv from the HSC email account

6. Discussion of Board Retreat/Strategic Planning – Jani Koester, Takisha Jordan

- a. Executive Committee met and discussed that the community perception of the HSC Board is not accurate; do we even know what we can and cannot do?
- b. Jordan suggested that we should do an HSC Board retreat, one whole day
- c. Aim to nail down the mission of the Board, be clearer about our focus
- d. Sutter suggested we might also use the opportunity to discuss changes
- e. Wegleitner mentioned that the Community Plan Committee wanted to go to the Board to talk about the items in the plan that were assigned to the Board
- f. Jordan stated that we would try to get a facilitator pro bono for the day
- g. Will look for a weekday in September and get the date out soon

Jordan motioned to close, Kamp seconded – **meeting adjourned 12:59pm**