



Guilford County Continuum of Care Membership Meeting

Thursday, December 12, 2019

9:30am

Unitarian Universalist Church of Greensboro

(5603 Hilltop Road, Jamestown, NC 27282)

The Guilford County Continuum of Care membership met on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

I. MEMBERS PRESENT: **Central Carolina Health Network** (Donna Hodges), **City of Greensboro** (Elizabeth Danley), **City of High Point** (Meredith Green), **Family Service of the Piedmont** (Tom Campbell, Becky Hunt, Steve Hess), **Goodwill** (Jessica Schultz), **Greensboro Housing Authority** (Annette Harris, Tameria Fewell), **Greensboro Housing Coalition** (Brett Byerly), **Greensboro Police Dept.** (John Thompson) **Greensboro Urban Ministry** (Mark Sumerford), **Guilford County Schools** (Yatisha Blythe), **Guilford County Veterans Services** (Robert Shelly), **Habitat for Humanity** (Ramona Carl), **High Point University** (Dr. Pamela Palmer), **Homeless Union of Greensboro** (Marcus Hyde), **Open Door Ministries** (Steve Key, Leah Westbrook, Tonya Clinard), **Partners Ending Homelessness** (Debbie Bailey, Bennita Curtain, Rebekah Dobbins, Brian Hahne), **Room at the Inn** (Jason Melton), **Salvation Army of Greensboro** **Center of Hope** (Leroy Wilson), **The Servant Center, Inc.** (Shanna Reece), **Tiny Houses Community Development, Inc.** (Scott Jones, Helen Cain, Abby Coutes), **United Way of Greater Greensboro** (Justin Williams), **Welfare Reform Liaison Project** (Latasha Lovette), **West End Ministries** (Brad Bowers), **Women’s Resource Center of Greensboro** (Chewan Moore), **YWCA Greensboro** (Lindy Garnette).

VISITORS: **Guilford Vet Services** (Tracie Lundy), **Family Justice Center** (Heather Magill), **Piedmont Triad Apartment Association/PEH Board** Chair (Jon Lowder), David Heras, Gwen Taylor, Rivkah Levine

II. Welcome and Introductions – CoC Chair Dr. Pamela Palmer called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. Dr. Palmer asked if someone had emailed her regarding the Member Spotlight moment. She invited agencies to share during that time. Members and visitors made introductions.

III. Review and Approve Minutes –

A. Dr. Palmer discussed utilizing a consent agenda moving forward and membership agreed. This would mean that the minutes and agenda would go out 10 days prior to meeting for review and there would be one vote to approve.

B. 2020 Meeting Dates – Brian Hahne stated that he wanted to set the dates for the 2020 year; He recommended the 2nd Thursday of each month for 2020. Dr. Palmer and members discussed continuing to meet monthly as we move forward. Meeting dates for the CoC Membership meetings at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Greensboro for 2020 will be as follows:

January 9	February 13	March 12	April 9
May 14	June 11	July 9	August 13
September 10	October 8	November 12	December 10

The unapproved minutes from the November 14, 2019 meeting were emailed before the membership meeting. No corrections were noted. Dr. Palmer asked if any were opposed to approving the minutes. None were opposed; therefore, the minutes for November 14, 2019, were approved. A motion was made to accept a consent agenda by Tom Campbell; Mark Sumerford made a second. None opposed. This was approved.

IV. Membership Members

- A. Nominations for CoC Board of Directors** – Members voted to approve Lisa Cowen-Dudley from DHHS and Beth Waters from Open Door Ministries Arthur Cassell House to serve on the CoC Board.
- B. Interim Committee Chairs** –Dr. Palmer reminded membership of our current committees that either currently need a chair or will need a chair in the new year: Strategic Planning Committee – Pamela Palmer (interim); and Coordinated Entry – Shanna Reece (through March 2020). Debbie Bailey nominated Scott Jones as chair of the HMIS Committee and members voted to approve. None opposed.
- V. Member Spotlight** - No members emailed to present regarding this topic for December so this time was used for announcements by agencies.
 - A.** Tiny Houses announced a two-day Housing Conference in Greensboro, in October 2020 titled- Resisting Poverty Through Innovative Strategies. Their goal is to combine information and innovative ideas surrounding Housing, Food, and Poverty. They invited members to join and sit on committees. They also plan to invite other community innovators and leaders from other communities to join.
 - B.** Marcus Hyde stated that the Homeless Union of Greensboro recently published a report on homelessness in Guilford County. It can be found online at their website or a copy can be requested. It has policy recommendations and information about the homeless situation in our area. Eddie spoke and stated he had been off the streets since August. He worked with the IRC, GHC, and PEH.
 - C.** Rivkah Levine – She stated that although once more involved in our CoC Membership and Board that she has been working with another agency over the past few months and will be relocating to Richmond, VA. Rivkah officially resigned from board and membership.

VI. Collaborative Applicant UPDATE –

- A. PEH /CoC Quality Improvement Plan** – Dr. Palmer shared that her Quality Improvement Plan was moving forward and that it now has dates in it. It was not uploaded to project at the meeting and will be emailed out later.
- B. Point In Time Count** – Debbie Bailey, from PEH, provided an update on our Point In Time count work. An adhoc committee has been formed from the CoC Board and they will have monthly meetings until January in preparation for the PITC. The PITC this year will be on January 29, 2020. Debbie stated that the adhoc committee had met several times – they have had good meetings. They would love to have lived experience volunteers to assist. They are working on identifying campsites for the night of the PITC.
- C. Greensboro Homeless Memorial Walk** – Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. They will have a meal at 4:30, the event at 6:00 p.m. The walk will be from the IRC to City Hall.
- D. High Point Homeless Memorial Luncheon** – Thursday, December 19, 2019 at First Baptist Church in High Point at 12:00 p.m.

VII. Strategic Planning Update – Dr. Palmer

- A.** Nancy Hunter presented a slide show about what Strategic Planning looks like in this day and time. She stated that our CoC will begin Strategic Planning in 2020. The Strategic Planning will be paid for by PEH through their CoC Planning Grant. Dr. Palmer asked for volunteers for the Strategic Planning Committee.

VII. Coordinated Entry Lead - Shanna presented updates regarding the Coordinated Entry lead. She stated they only received one application, from Partners Ending Homelessness. The Board recommended that a small group work with PEH to make corrections on their application and move forward from there. Based upon the corrections made, the Board recommends that PEH become the lead for Coordinated Entry. Lindy Garnett made the 1st motion to approve and vote. Scott Jones made the 2nd motion. The vote for Coordinated Entry Lead by PEH was 16 voted yes, 4 voted as opposed, and 1 abstained. Therefore, PEH is the new Coordinated Entry Lead.

Heather McGill asked about policies and procedures. Shanna stated that the Coordinated Entry committee had created those before this process began and that they would assist in oversight. Tom Campbell nominated

Heather McGill to be on the Coordinated Entry Committee. Membership voted to approved Heather McGill to the Coordinated Entry Committee.

IX. CoC Committee Reports

- **Housing Resource Committee** – Ramona Carl – The Lunch and Learns to be held in January are on hold temporarily.
- **Governance Committee** – Thanena Wilson –not present
- **Advocacy and Public Relations Committee** – Gattis Long – not present
- **Membership Committee** – Bernita Sims – not present
- **Nominating Committee** – Thanena Wilson – not present
- **Strategic Planning Committee** –Dr. Palmer invited those interested to join the Strategic Planning Committee as they move forward to help define the mission, scope, and direction of our CoC.
- **HMIS/Data Committee** – voted on Scott Jones as Chair beginning 12/12/19.
- **System Performance and Evaluation Committee** – Thanena Wilson (Interim) – not present
- **Coordinated Entry** – Shanna Reece (Interim) – updated during meeting
- **Appeals Committee** – as Needed
- **Executive Committee** – Pamela Palmer
- **Youth Committee** – Sarah Roethlinger – not present

X. Old Business and/or New Business – Marcus Hyde stated he would like more advocacy meetings in light of government changes. He stated they met some in the beginning and it has not met recently. He also stated he felt some of their ideas and topics of discussion hadn't been introduced to the CoC Membership. Dr. Palmer stated she would work with Marcus to follow up with Gattis Long.

10:07 AM

Adjourn

Next Membership Meeting 1/9/20 and CoC Board Meeting 1/22/20 – See Website (guilfordcoc.org)