

October 12, 2022
SCICoC Hybrid In-Person/Virtual Board Meeting

Present: Cathy Feltner, Roselene Quick, Kelly Hardy, Fred Spannaus, Cindy Mayer, Chris Davis, Alexis Morton, Rebecca Sudduth, Jess Pauley, Angie Hunt, Jamie Corda Hadjaoui, Sandy Deters, Ky Newsome, Kelly Denton and Dana Tell

Board Members were welcomed. The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm by Vice President Cathy Feltner. Roll Call was not observed as a sign in sheet was utilized.

Board Application Training:

- Fred spoke about questions 1D-6 and 1D-6a. These questions seek information about whether the CoC provides training/have people trained in SOAR, Medicare Assistance, and other mainstream benefits. The CoC does well on these questions.

Introduction and Welcome to DHS ESG Staff

- Josalyn, Ebony and Brenda from DHS and ESG were present and introductions were made. They spoke about the process of ESG and asked what we would like to see them improve on. They reiterated that they are all working hard and asked for patience as they put all of the pieces together. Brenda mentioned that she would love to see CoCs come together to work in a more collaborative way. Sandy mentioned the Continuum of Care calls that Bob Palmer (Housing Action Illinois) coordinates. Josalyn stated that ESG-CV is ready for roll over. They took questions from the board. The reallocation to HOPE and HAVEN from CEFS has been approved. Brenda offered to meet with agencies via Webex to help grantees. She also noted that we can start entering budgets in the CSA system, and would like an overall CoC budget page sent as soon as possible. The CoC is appreciative of their time.

Old Business:

- The July 13, 2022 minutes were reviewed. Cindy noted that the meeting was called to order at 10:05am instead of 10:05pm as stated in the minutes. Chris motioned to approve the minutes with the correction. Jamie seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- CoC Competition Update - Fred discussed the submission of the application, which was submitted a week early. The Special NOFO was submitted early as well. Jess explained the difference between the regular NOFO and a Special NOFO. The Special NOFO was released due to re-captured HUD funds. Sandy tried to appeal the “non-rural” classification designated in Jersey and Macoupin Counties but their classification was not altered.

Committee Reporting:

- Executive Committee – Cathy reported that the Executive Committee did not meet during the quarter.
- HMIS Committee – Jess reported that the committee was encouraged by the data being free from errors. LSA Update NHSDC Conference 10/25-10/26.
- Membership & Marketing Committee – Stephanie reported that the committee has not met formally, but would like to recommend Jeremy Yost, Ky Newsome, Dana Tell and Rebecca Banister as new members, which would bring the board to 15 members. Cindy motioned to approve the memberships. Chris seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- Planning and Assessment – Cindy reported that the committee has not met formally. The committee would be responsible for how to respond to asylum seekers coming in to our area. None of our counties have a Welcome Center, but Champaign does. The plan for responding would be for just in case asylum

seekers entered our geographic area. Roslene mentioned that the Homeless Liaisons in each area should be involved as well, since they have added resources. Jamie discussed the Asset Map that was included in the packet from the Employment Task Force.

- Monitoring and Ranking – Fred reviewed the second quarter monitoring report that was included in the packet. The committee was pleased with the work of the funded agencies.

Sub Committees and Task Force Reports:

- Veterans – Rebecca Sudduth is now the chair of the committee.
- SOAR – Reminder to agencies about 40-Hour SOAR training on-line.
- HIC/PIT – Jess explained the HIC (Housing Inventory Chart) and the PIT (Point In Time Survey). The 2023 date is 1/25/23. Jess will have individual trainings scheduled for the week before the counts.
- Coordinated Entry – Fred would like us to take a comprehensive look at the results of the 2022 Coordinated Entry Evaluation. 56% of homeless people had achieved housing and 70% were diverted to resources before becoming homeless. Most agencies who are not members or not active members of the CoC still knew where to send clients in need. Suggestions from those taking the survey included a need to be more kind and compassionate as well as trainings for staff to understand Trauma Informed Care and Harm Reduction. Other recommendations are to standardize data, develop uniform rules for entry into projects, and develop a Lived Experience Committee. There was discussion into what committee would oversee the Lived Experience group. It was decided that the Coordinated Entry Sub-Committee would be most appropriate. Stephanie motioned to make Lived Experience group a permanent committee. Kelly H. seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Dana motioned to accept the committee reports and actions. Ky seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

- CoC Spending Report – The CoC spending report was included in the packet. Jess requested that agencies let her know if there were any questions or areas of concern.
- EHV (Emergency Housing Voucher) Check-In – Sandy reported that there are more units so agencies should continue to send in applications and only send invoices to ERBA once the person is in a lease. It was also noted that clients are being approved for the EHV's but they have had difficulty finding housing.
- Discussion about those seeking assylum – was held during the Planning and Assessment Committee Report.
- Nominations for Executive Committee – The packet included nomination and self-nomination forms. Send those to Kevin and Jess.
- 2023 Proxy Forms – Are due to Jess by the end of December. All board members who request a proxy need to send in an updated form.

Chris motioned to approve the new business and actions. Jamie seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Other:

- The next meeting will be held on January 11, 2023. The location will be determined.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20pm on a motion from Cindy. Rebecca S. seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by: Angie Hunt