Greater Nashua Continuum of Care Executive Committee Meeting September 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am by Chair, Wendy LeBlanc

Present at the meeting were Bob Mack (aka FBLP), Wendy LeBlanc, Peter Kelleher, Lisa Christie, and, Barbara Alves.

L. Christie motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by B. Alves and the motion carried unanimously.

Topics of Discussion

GNCOC Officers:

W. LeBlanc shared that we have no new persons interested in running for Chair or Clerk, so she and L. Piper will accept another term, with B. Todgham filling in as needed for Lori. As we have two individuals running for Vice-Chair, W. LeBlanc presented a sample "bio statement" that the committee agreed should be sent to each candidate to be returned prior to the October GNCOC meeting. W. LeBlanc will include the bio statements in the reminder email with the agenda, so folks can get to know a bit more about the candidates prior to the election.

B. Alves volunteered to tally the votes at the October meeting.

Data Gathering:

W. LeBlanc indicated that B. Mack has agreed to Chair the Data Gathering committee, with assistance from Miles Pendry. Bob and Miles both request that a person from each SuperNOFA funded agency participate in the committee. All agencies represented at today's meeting agreed and W. LeBlanc said she would email the appropriate person at Southern NH Services to request participation and would get back to Bob once she hears back.

Employment:

Tom Lopez has agreed to chair this subcommittee. The group determined that it can function as an Ad hoc committee initially, and that it does not need to be incorporated into the GNCOC guidelines immediately.

Legislative Affairs:

W. LeBlanc reported that Eileen Brady is Chairing this committee and the first meeting already took place. They plan to meet quarterly with work done via email in between meetings.

SuperNOFA:

W. LeBlanc indicated that the NOFA has been released and the first meeting is scheduled for September 21st. She reiterated that we will have less assistance this year from Gina at TAC on Exhibit 1, so V. Sarlo for HHI will provide more assistance this year, as will B. Dolan from Marguerites Place.

November GNCOC Presenters:

Norm Bouthilette has agreed to present about the Boys and Girls Club in November. W. LeBlanc shared an email from Bruce Angus about requesting the Jo Moncher, Bureau Chief of Community Based Military Programs. The group agreed to request a presentation from her.

Future Presenters:

B. Mack suggested a presentation in January on the Asset Builders from Ray Peterson at United Way. W. LeBlanc agreed to contact him. Additional suggestion was Job Corps out of Manchester.

Other Business:

- P. Kelleher shared that he has met with representatives at So NH University to encourage them to submit a grant to offer a veteran's upward bound program. This program must be run by a University and would be a program geared towards getting veterans some additional education and assistance with re-entering the workforce.
- P. Kelleher is attending a National conference in Tennessee about Health Care for the Homeless to learn more about how other programs function.
- P. Kelleher reported that Families in Transition has acquired the Coalition to End Homelessness and Housing Action NH. It was suggested that possibly we can ask FIT to present on their Statewide programs sometime in the future.
- B. Alves reported that Marguerite's Place will be receiving the bras from the recent Bras Across America event.
- P. Kelleher invited the attendees to view the blueprints for the Keystone Hall building currently scheduled to be completed mid November.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30AM.

Minutes prepared by W. LeBlanc, Southern NH HIV/AIDS Task Force