# Greater Nashua Continuum of Care Meeting Minutes Nashua City Hall Auditorium Wednesday, August 5, 2015

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The meeting was called to order at 8:00am by Ana Pancine, Chair.

Ana explained the rotating format of the monthly meetings (one meeting committee reports; next meeting presentations). She invited anyone who was new to add their name to the sign-in sheet. Introductions were made around the table.

The minutes of the 6/3/15 meeting were reviewed, motion by Barbara Alves and seconded by Wendy Leblanc, minutes approved by unanimous vote without edits.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Board Of Directors Report** – No meeting was held in July, report is from June's meeting:

Ana stated that elections of officers is this year and requested nominations for Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk for presentation and approval from the Board at the meeting in September and ballot process if needed, will be develop for voting.

Board meeting is held the second Friday of the month at Harbor Homes. Approval of slate of officers will be presented in October membership meeting.

COC Application Updates provided by Ana and it was reported that she has not received communication emails from HUD. Ana Pancine requested that anyone who receives emails in regards to the COC Application to forward to her, to ensure all deadlines are met. She has worked with the HUD Community Development Program Manager in Manchester to fix this issue.

Ana stated that anticipated project renewals are \$1.846344 million with list of projects ready to submit. Two new projects to be left out of renewals as the contracts has not been received.

**Ending Homelessness Committee** - Bob reported on meeting held on 6/3/2015 which discussion of data re coordinated access calls were held. Also, Marguerites Place is joining coordinated access line cover, and started the week before.

Discussed current program capacity – Transitional Housing program may have openings and shelter openings changes day-to-day.

It was discussed that data gathering is needed to support requests for more funding in the near future. As well as, discussed wraparound concept and how it works in this community.

**Community Relations** - Pat Murphy – No report.

**Data Gathering** – Abigail – Reminded programs to ensure HMIS data is up to date and most currently submitted APR is available in preparation for COC application process. Also requested to update contact list of each agency who will be submitting a project for renewal with name, number and email of the person responsible for the COC application details.

**Employment Committee** – 9/23 Employment Connect Event will be held at St. Patrick's, recruiting at Nashua Community College, Chamber is advertising event. Individuals who are in need, homeless, unemployed is still focus of this event.

Proposed schedule is as follows:

- 8-11 ready for work (benefits, clothing, resources, etc)
- 11-2 Interviews with employers
- Email Tom @ NSKS.org if donations of clothing.
- St. Joe's unable to operate Dress for Success due to attendance of 5 people or less in the event held last year.

League of Women Voters information provided and can be disseminated.

## Other Groups

**Shelter Report** – Tom Lopez provided report since Olga was not able to attend meeting. He discussed the following:

- Patricia Jackson PIT Review
- Food Pantry data low problems due to collaboration with other agencies.

**Housing Action** – Funds and resources is the goal; State House shut down due to congress out.

- Facebook and Twitter campaign for Home cuts which Nashua and Manchester receive push back on that.
- Governor Hassan vetoed budget
- Coming back for re-vote.
- Operating on resolution on approved budget.
- Encouraged email participation.

#### Presentation: ESG Consolidated Plan 2016-2020

Presentation was done by Maureen Ryan from BBH and presentation slides are available at the GNCOC website - <a href="http://www.nashua-coc.org/rescdoc.htm">http://www.nashua-coc.org/rescdoc.htm</a> under presentation.

### The following are some key points discussed:

- ESG grantees must collaborate with Stakeholders and COC's
- Program Components
- Eligible Activities
- Current Program Design
- Performance Indicators

Questions were asked about few key points of the presentation and Maureen has provided the answers, but she has requested that anyone who has any additional questions or suggestions to contact her directly.

Ana Pancine requested that Maureen Ryan send her the power point presentation to post on the GNCOC website for future access and to be available to those who didn't attend the meeting.

## Other Announcements:

Amy Brady – VA – Employment Specialist – announced workshops for case managers related to employment resources for VETS in collaboration with HHI and VA –Manchester are available. Eileen Brady - September 8<sup>th</sup> – Mayoral elections – six runners - 3 forums

- 8/20 @ NSC afternoon

- 8/21 @ NHSS evening
- 8/24 @ NHSS Telegraph

League of Woman Voters – two candidates will host 10/20.

Donald Pare stated that there are Medical equipment assistance at @ St. Joes for those in need it is called Joseph's Closet which is staffed by volunteers, make sure to call first.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15am.