

Greater Nashua Continuum of Care
Board Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2016

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Ana Pancine, Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

In attendance were Ana Pancine, Bob Mack, Pam Small, Tom Lopez, Marcy Doyle, Rick Rutter, Abigail Alicea, Cherrie Fulton and Dawn Reams.

Ana had received messages from other board members who were not able to attend.

The group reviewed the minutes from the March 11, 2016, meeting. Tom made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, which was seconded by Cherrie. Eight people were in favor, Bob abstained.

Discussions:

Rick - Concern was brought up over HUD discussion at our last Board meeting regarding exclusion from Section 8 and public housing for Level 3 sex offenders and those convicted of drug crimes. Bob shared that HUD does not allow felons into their housing. The Rescue Mission in Nashua will take in sex offenders from Hillsborough County only. The board discussed the possibility of opening up this discussion at the GNCOC meeting.

Ana shared that there would be two presentations at the June GNCOC meeting. The group agreed that Ana's email before our previous meetings was very helpful.

Bob shared concerns over Youth (ages 18-22) Homelessness in Nashua. Currently, NCH has a transitional program with 7-8 units available for this age group. They provide limited case management, and residents must pay a portion of the rent and maintain a job. The board agreed there should be more discussion around this concern in our community. It was agreed to reach out to Paul Lassinn, Kurt Norris, Doug Howard, Bob Cioppa and Ana Pancine to discuss concerns and begin planning next steps.

Bob also shared about the Coordinated Access State meeting. The regions in the state were well represented and shared their models. The state reinforced the mandate but offered limited direction. Nashua was compared with Manchester, who has 3 points of entry for three subgroups. Bob suggests we need to look at how we process our HMIS/Data more efficiently.

Tom brought up staying informed about the eviction process and the rights of the tenants. Also, the new Salmon Brook Senior Housing development will be opening in June. This housing is HUD subsidized, and announcements will soon be available. He also brought up the Opiate Task Force, citing a barrier is in communication. He suggested resources should be discussed at the GNCOC meeting.

The next GNCOC meeting is May 4, 2016, 8:00-9:00 Am, 3rd floor, Nashua City Hall. The Ending Homelessness Committee meets immediately after.

Next Board Meeting – May 13, 2016 - 10-11:30 AM – HHI

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 am, the motion was made by Tom and seconded by Marcy.

Minutes were taken by Cherrie Fulton, Nashua School District.