

Greater Nashua Continuum of Care

Board Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2017

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In attendance were Ana Pancine, Wendy LeBlanc, Alexandra Hamel, Bob Mack, Dawn Reams, Kevin O'Meara, Tom Lopez, Cherrie Fulton, Maryse Wirbal, Rick Rutter, Barbara Alves, Abigail Alicea and guest Donna Curley (HMIS). Michael Reinke and Peter Kelleher indicated that they had other commitments so could not stay beyond the first few minutes of this meeting.

Peter reminded everyone to please let appropriate staff know if they know any homeless veterans or chronically homeless clients that can be housed prior to the Point In time count.

Introductions were made by all.

Minutes were reviewed from the December 9, 2016 meeting. Michael motioned to accept the minutes, with Bob seconding. All were in favor.

March Presentations:

Ana let us know that she will be away for the March 1 GNCOC meeting and the February 10th Board meeting and asked Tom or Abigail to Chair. Tom agreed to Chair both meetings.

Wendy asked about honoring Eileen Brady and the group agreed to do so at the March meeting. Wendy volunteered to get a plaque for her and asked other Board member to chip in to help pay for it. It was also decided to create a framed certificate for Lisa Christie to be given to her at her retirement party. Wendy will also take care of that.

The group decided the various updates/presentations will take place at the March meeting, as well as the person responsible:

Eileen Brady thank you- Tom Lopez

Preliminary PIT data- Abigail or other data staff

Maryse- update on the program inventory from the January meeting.

Peter- updates on new PSL programs such as safe station, and new agency locations.

Coordinated Entry and HMIS:

Donna Curley spent some time reviewing the history of this process with the group and the GNCOC's role in the statewide process. There is a statewide CE meeting on January 27, 2017. Donna talked about how CE can be coordinated with HMIS and the steps being taken to accomplish this. They are looking at paring down the form to have just basic info that can easily be entered into HMIS and that these clients would be part of an "open" system, so once they get housed by a program, that agency can move that

client into their closed system. Donna will meet with the staff taking the CE calls to work with them on streamlining the form.

Additional conversation took place regarding the planning funds that were granted to the GNCOC and how they might be utilized.

Data Gathering:

Abigail shared that she can no longer be the Chair of this committee because it really needs to be someone within Harbor Homes that has access to the data systems. The group feels that Peter would be the best person for this role as he is the one most aware of all the data and he looks at it daily. Ana will talk with him about this request.

Wendy shared concerns about the lack of PIT info that has been disseminated to the larger GNCOC group and additional discussion took place about this and how we are relying on the state to send us the info to share.

Other:

Wendy asked if anyone else had seen the confirmation hearing for Ben Carson as HUD Secretary yesterday. We spoke a bit about what seems to be his focus and that he indicated giving greater control for program planning to the local communities.

Rick talked about the Shelter Director's meeting that he attended yesterday and the data system that some folks around the state are using to share real time data on shelter openings.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Minutes taken by Wendy LeBlanc, Southern NH HIV/AIDS Task Force