

Committee on Ending Homelessness Meeting February 18, 2004

Present at the meeting were: Eileen Brady, Maria Brown, Lisa Christie, Alphonse Haettenschwiller, Linda Jeynes, Donna Juskiewicz, Peter Kelleher, Bob Mack, Bob Marks, and Klaas Nijhuis.

The minutes from the Feb. 4th meeting were reviewed and P. Kelleher motioned to accept, L. Christie seconded and the motion was carried.

There was a discussion around the guest list for the upcoming CoC retreat on Homelessness (handout). Suggestions were made of others to invite from the hospitals, state representatives and landlords. If we get more registrations than the limit (80 people), those agencies with several guests might be asked to limit their numbers.

Input was asked for on the focus group questions (handout). After much discussion and the group developing the majority of the questions, the task of writing the final version was handed of to K. Nijhuis, B. Mack and D. Juskiewicz.

P. Kelleher asked about facilitators. Several names were offered; Jonathan Sherwood, Jennifer Boyer, George Dault(?), Carol Stewart, Sandy Mulcahy, Terry Smith. Those who suggested names were asked to follow up with them. It was determined that seven people would be required for the seven probable focus groups. (Bob Keating offered to help facilitate after the meeting)

L. Christie agreed to obtain the seven-minute film "Give Us Your Poor" to be shown at the beginning of the retreat.

P. Kelleher presented his draft (handout) of the "Good Neighbor Agreement". There was some discussion about how this could be generalized and yet made individual enough to suit the purposes of each organization. B. Mack agreed to re-draft it and to present at the next meeting.

It was agreed that K. Nijhuis and P. Kelleher would lead the retreat.

K. Nijhuis will e-mail the agenda to everyone before the next meeting.

The next meeting will be February 25, 2004 at 8:00 am in room 208 of the Nashua City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

