



COC PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

10:00 am, ZOOM

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: , Daren Bell(Alliance), Lawrence Wilson (RHF), Katrill Braden (CMI), Jane Hooks(Alliance),Valarie Bobo (SHIELD),LaWanda Haley(CAFTH),Adrian Hall, Marian Bacon, Elizabeth Johnson (CMI), Julie Meiman(CAFTH),Stephanie Reyes (CAFTH), JeCarta Suggs(BHI), Andorian Thomas(CMI),Phillip Trenthem(CAFTH),Curtis West (FFL),Andrea Wilkins(CAFTH),Errin Woods(CAFTH),Brad Yackey(A Betor Way) Toni Johnson(CCWTN), Melinda Jones(CMI), Rod Lomax(MIFA), Valarie Mitchner(FFL), Sandra Mooney (NHCHC), Christina Mottley(AVOS), Merronique Murray(AVOS), Caprice Synder(MIFA), Lakisha Stewart(BMH), Janice Taylor (CCHS), Andorian Thomas(CMI), Vandi Walker(AVOS), Light Walleman(ABW), Jewel Weatherspoon(AVOS), Dr. Natasha Williams(Agape), Brad Yackey (ABW), Gwen Turner(YWCA), Shirley McClain (YWCA), Lisa Anderson(RITI), LaVerne Branch (CMI), Dana Brooks(CSA), Ceaira Brunson(Agape), Anthony Gary(FFA), Porsha Goodman(DOH), Cheryl Marsh(GHHI),Taurus Patton(CMI), Julie Sannon(Agape), Ann Terry(United Way), Vandi Walker(AVOS), Larry Williamson(CMI), Darrell Kriner

FACILITATOR: Katrill Braden(CMI) & Errin Woods(CAFTH)

MINUTES: Errin Woods (CAFTH)

Call to Order & Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Errin Woods at 10:01 am. The August meeting minutes were approved with a motion from Toriella Jackson(CCWTN) and a second Vandi Walker (AOVS)from . Motion passed

Introduction of New CoC Planning Committee Chairs

Katrill Braden(CMI)- she introduced herself as one of the acting chairs

Darren Bell- introduced himself to the committee and he was excited to be a part of the committee.

Committee Updates

HMIS Committee- no update given

CoC Planning- Errin discussed the NOFO process and the timeline has opened. We discussed the symposium and registration process was opened. Housing Navigator (Phillip) has open office hours available for consortium members. She discussed the committee talked about agency updates from each committee.

Youth Committee- Hannah gave an update about the quality improvement. Methodist Leboheur came gave a presentation and explained their organization will be starting in the fall.

Veterans Committee- no update given

Affordable Housing Committee- Andrea reported that they did not have a meeting in July but in June talked about housing resources to sustain a person once they are housed.Philip stated they are doing office hours and the next meeting will be in August.

YAB- Hannah informed us that the chair of the YAB was in Washington, D.C. to work on national strategies to end youth homelessness.

Outreach Committee- Tori reported that the committee is dissecting the VI and re-writing the assessment for the community. To make sure it can be used for PSH, RRH and Family providers in CE. Reaching out to agencies to identify services for the community. As a committee, they came up with an additional pre-assessment for the VI. She stated they have had focused groups and break out sections for the and breaking down the prioritization for the VI. She explained they are exploring the matrix. The committee has researched the other community VI. They will be present at the VA challenge outreach.

Healthcare Committee- Errin reported that the committee is focusing on identifying the agencies in the room that are providing health care resources for the community and who is missing from the consortium. Also, identifying known locations that are frequented with those with lived experience. This came about because of missed follow-up appointments with healthcare providers. Errin explained that organizations were sent out a form to invite organizations to be involved who haven't been involved in the community.

Families Committee-Julie reported that Toni Johnson has stepped into co-chair leadership role for the committee. She stated that the committee is focusing on existing gaps and services in the community for families. Family coordinated entry system and what supportive services will be needed for CE. She stated they went over the by-laws of the CoC and committee mission.

NOFO/ Mission/ New Business

Errin informed everyone that we are deep into NOFO season. She let them know that the timeline for the application process is on our website. She informed us that the ESNAPS office hours are today. She informed everyone that if they needed any assistance or technical assistance to contact esnaps@hud.gov. Youth projects and information concerning YHDP for the NOFO application.

Mission

Katrill reintroduced the mission to the committee and how we as a committee can create new strategies to engage the committee. Katrill asked about any ideas or topics from the symposium. She then talked about how we as a community bridge the gap in outreach. To open the discussion, what are some strategies that the community can have warm hand offs. Tori talked about the comparable database systems that are in HMIS which she learned from the symposium. Cheryl Marsh informed us about their presentation at the symposium. She explained that they talked about services once the client is housed and helps them keep a safe and healthy home.

Katrill proposed to the committee, what small goals we as a committee can work toward. Tori stated that maybe some type of training on what the service providers need training. Brad Yackey asked about training on HMIS. Errin talked about the HMIS training that will be available October 17-18. Errin stated Harm Reduction and Narcan Training on September 5th. Errin stated we can do a survey on training they would like to see in the CoC.

Announcements and Updates

Sandra Mooney(National Healthcare for the Homeless)- she informed the committee that she is able to enroll individuals and families in shelters with TENNCare.

Rod Lomax (MIFA)-Landlord round table in September and roundtable to everyone in the community in October.

Vandi Walker(AOVS)-no updates for Alpha & Omega

Brad Yackey(A Betor Way)- Addicted Brain- Hope Church, September 21

Cheryl Marsh- Healthy homes partnership meeting will be October 16th

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.