



CoC Board Meeting

June 13, 2019

Phenix City Housing Authority

200 16th Street, Phenix City, AL

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Mary Mayrose, Curtis Lockette, Denise McWhorter, Pat Frey, Jennifer Lowman, Leroy Davis Jonathan Evans (Proxy for Lisa Walters)

Excused Absentees: Dr. Almesha Patrick, Lisa Walters

Guest: Yvette Bennett

Meeting was called to order by Chair, Mary Mayrose

Jennifer Lowman introduced a motion to approve the Minutes from April meeting, Leroy Davis seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Items for Discussion:

Annual MOU Update: Discussion was held in favor of updating the current Memorandum of Understanding between the CoC Board and the Collaborative Applicant. Current MOU will be extended until August 31, 2019. New MOU will be come into effect on September 1, 2019 and expire on August 31, 2020. Motion was introduced by Leroy Davis and was seconded by Curtis Lockette to accept the changes. All in favor, motion was passed.

Annual Membership Meeting: Announcement was made by Pat Frey concerning the upcoming Annual CoC Membership meeting to be held at Troy University on August 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. EST. New officers will be voted on and elected. Ballots will be mailed out to current CoC members before the end of July. No board member nomination will be accepted from the floor.

Ralston Towers Tenant Relocation: Tenants did not need relocation services at this time. Owners were in compliance with local city code violations. A Non Natural Disaster Plan was recommended to be formed by local government, community leaders, healthcare providers and shelters. This new committee would be tasked with assisting Muscogee/Russell County residents whenever a non- natural disaster strikes and results render them to be displaced. Collaborative Applicant will check with local VOAD organization to enlist assistance. Legal Aid will be asked to serve on the committee to provide tenants' rights information.

Home For Good Reports

Further compliance with the HMIS program will be revisited and updated for the next 5 years.

Coordinated Entry Reports have become more accessible over the previous 18 months. Reports are currently being used.

Volunteer from TSYS is providing technical assistance with data entry for the Collaborative Applicant.

HUD is mandating 4 new CoC benchmarks starting on April 1, 2020 as it related to monitoring local programs. Our CoC has already put in place the monitoring programs that will meet the new guidelines. Technical assistance from ACT and Associates has agreed to assist our CoC with meeting requirements mandated by HUD.

Update on HUD TA for Charter:

Home for Good Intern Yvette Bennett provided various updates to the current Charter. HUD's 24CFR 587. was used to ensure the CoC remained in compliance. General membership attendance as it relates to unexcused absences will be included in the charter. Written warnings will be given to members if they go beyond the guidelines of attendance. The CoC Board and Executive Board meeting dates will be included in the Charter.

Committee Updates

HMIS Committee has been meeting on a weekly basis to review program compliance that was put in place back in 2006. HMIS Committee will meet with HUD TA to ensure client files are being shared properly with other organization. The Performance and Outcomes Committee has implanted a new program from HUD that our local service providers can use to assist with reporting.

Other Business:

The GA-505 CoC will continue to provide equal access training during its Annual Membership Meetings. .Violence Against Women's Act will be reviewed as well.

Starting in July 2019, Pat Frey (Collaborative Applicant) and Denise McWhorter (Board Secretary) will work with HUD's Communities of Practice. The format for the program will be "What Governments should look like for CoC's across the country."

Request was made by Leroy Davis to form a partnership with Russell County's Sherriff's Department and Chief of Police in Phenix City as it relates to free background checks for shelter

participants. Vice Chair, Curtis Lockette, suggested that these requests could be forwarded to Columbus's Marshalls office for assistance.

Suggestion was made by Collaborative Applicant, Pat Frey, to re-visit the attempts of forming a Veterans Only Committee.

All business being completed, meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be held on August 8, 2019 at Troy University 2:00 p.m. EST.