

Housing First Solano
Vallejo-Solano County Continuum of Care
Board Meeting Minutes
May 25, 2016
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Board members present:

Norma Jean Ramos
Tranine Chisom
Ronald Grassi
John Evalle
Lori Bowley
Brother Raymond
Kathy Lawton
Maurilio Leon
Scott Mulvey
Ruth Matz
Anne Putney
Raymond Courtemanche (alternate for Ron Marlette)
Tamara Colden (alternate for Emily Cantu)
Nicole Holloway (alternate for Dawn La Bar)

Other attendees:

Sandy Piekarski, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency
Geoffrey Ross, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency
Daniel Del Monte, Solano County Health & Social Services
Shontay Rand, Veterans Resource Center
Natalie Siva, Berkeley Food and Housing Project
Terri Light, Berkeley Food and Housing Project
Patti Uplinger, Connections 4 Life
Prezell Harris, Veterans Resource Center

1. Tranine Chisom called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.
2. There was a quorum of Board members present.
3. There were no presentations.
4. There was no public comment.
5. There were no additions to or deletions from the agenda.
6. Kat Lawton moved to approve the agenda. John Evalle seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions.
- 7.1. Participants reviewed the minutes from March 23, 2016. No additions or corrections were made. Kat Lawton moved to approve the minutes. Anne Putney seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions.
8. Old Business

8.1. CoC NOFA Update

Staff noted that the Tier 2 awards had come out. All new projects were funded as well as the coordinated entry project. Only one project was defunded. Staff also discussed the 2016 CoC competition. Staff expect HUD to release the NOFA by the end of June or beginning of July. Staff expected bonus funds to be available and asked people present at the meeting to generate ideas for new projects.

Ruth Matz asked when HUD will distribute funds to pay for renewal programs that are currently operating. John Evalle offered to send a letter to HUD on behalf of Congressman John Garamendi inquiring about the delay.

8.2 ESG Update

Tranine Chisom introduced Geoffrey Ross from the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency to discuss the ESG funding. SHRA will work in partnership with the CoC to administer the ESG funds.

8.3. SOAR Update

Ruth Matz provided an update on Solano's SOAR implementation. Ruth noted there is still an issue with trying to get medical records for individuals who are applying for SSI/SSDI. The hospitals in the area require additional payment to expedite medical records. Without expediting the records, the program cannot meet the three-month goal timeframe for SOAR.

Ronald Grassi offered to speak with Joanie Erickson about talking to the hospitals about waiving the fees for expedited medical records for SOAR applicants.

9. New Business

9.1. Consider Letter of Support for the Vacaville Housing Authority Family Self-Sufficiency Program

Tamara Colden requested CoC support for the Vacaville Housing Authority's expansion of its Family Self-Sufficiency voucher program.

Anne Putney moved to approve the letter of support. Lori Bowley seconded. Tamara Colden abstained from the vote. The motion passed with no opposition.

9.2. Approve System-wide Performance Measures

Staff presented on this matter. The Performance and Evaluation committee met and approved a set of system-wide performance measures for the CoC to use.

Kathy Lawton moved to adopt the system performance measures as presented. John Evalle seconded the motion. The motion passed with no abstentions or opposition.

9.3. 2017 PIT Count Discussion

Norma Ramos moved to establish a committee to organize the 2017 PIT count. Ruth Matz seconded the motion. The motion passed with no abstentions or opposition.

10. Comments from the Board

Ruth Matz invited the Board to attend CAN-B's Hats off to Vets breakfast on May 26 at Jelly Belly at 8 AM.

11. Staff Report

11.1. Committee Updates

Staff provided updates on the Performance and Evaluation and Coordinated Entry committees. There will be a training on the VI-SPDAT and SPDAT on June 23-24.

11.2. Funding Opportunities.

Due to time constraints, the funding opportunities were not presented, but were available in the meeting materials.

12. John Evalle moved to adjourn. Norma Ramos seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions. The meeting adjourned at 12:31 p.m.