

**Commission on Homelessness for Volusia and Flagler Counties
Board of Directors & Membership Meeting Minutes**

Friday, February 23, 2018

EOC, 1769 E. Moody Blvd., Bunnell; Building 3

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Attendees: Sam Willett, Carl Falconer, Ray Salazar, Jeff White, Chet Bell, Carrie Baird, Dennis Burns, Edward Davis Jr., Janet Hamer, Jim Cameron, Mark Geallis, Commander David Williams, Nancy Epps, Nicole Jobson, Sgt. S. Schlieper, Tony Deobil; **Absent:** Dona DeMarsh-Butler, Fire Chief Dru Driscoll, James Rose, Joan Campanaro, Dr. Maria Barbosa, Rhonda Harvey, Robin King, Susan Clark, Solinka McIntosh; **Staff in attendance:** Lyn Hawkins; **Others in attendance:** Sharon Warriner

I. Call to Order- Sam Willett, Chair

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. Dave Williams will be replacing Sgt. Lutz on the Board.

II. Review of December 15, 2017 Board of Directors Minutes – Sam Willett, Chair

Sam Willett presented the minutes of December 15, 2017 for review and approval. A motion was to approve the minutes by Edward Davis Jr. and seconded by Dennis Burns. Motion carried.

III. Marketing Strategy- Sam Willett, Chair

Sam Willett provided an update on the marketing committee. The Committee wants to look at what the public opinion is on homelessness. CFHC will let the committee use their materials: Promote housing first, dispel common myths, influence local leaders, and establish a base line with surveys in the community. A discussion ensued.

IV. Adopt Single Pregnant Females to CoH Priorities- Jeff White, VFCCH Executive Director

Jeff White presented adopting single pregnant females to the strategic plan priorities. A discussion ensued.

V. Coordinated Entry Report- Lyn Hawkins, Coordinated Entry Navigator

The Board discussed the CE report and various information to provide on the report.

VI. Collaborative Applicant Report- Jeff White, VFCCH Executive Director

Jeff provided an update in the DCF letter of intent submissions. There were 11 applicants and submissions are currently being reviewed for threshold requirements. Mr. White also provided a brief update of the HUY demonstration grant planning. A discussion ensued.

VII. Standing Committee Reports

a. Steering Committee- Sam Willett, Chair

No report

b. HMIS Committee- Chet Bell, Co-Chair

Working on Policies and procedures.

c. Coordinated Entry Committee- Ray Salazar, Chair

Working on a process.

d. Application Committee- Carrie Baird, Chair

The Application Committee is working on a new process for DCF applications. The Committee will be meeting next week.

e. Point-In-Time Count Committee-Victoria Brown-Searle, Co-Chair

Jeff White informed the board that VFCCH is still processing PIT surveys.

f. Economic Stability Committee- Robin King, Chair

No report

g. Homeless Solutions Taskforce of Flagler County- Carrie Baird, Chair

Carrie Baird provided an update on the taskforce. The 3 priorities of the taskforce are: Coordinated Entry System, Housing, and better system of homeless providers. A discussion took place.

h. SSVF Partnership- Solinka McIntosh

Solinka McIntosh provided an update in SSVF. The Salvation Army has helped 50 vets to date which is above threshold. SA is currently seeing numerous clients that are above income. The vet definition is changing to include basic training. There will be more changes to SSVF in 18/19.

VIII. Old Business

None

IX. New Business

SMA is currently writing a federal grant for severely mentally ill and substance abuse. The grant is due March 9th.

Janet Hamer spoke about Florida Supportive Housing RFP.

X. Member & Public Comments

XI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Victoria Brown-Searle, Staff

Board Chair: _____

Next Meeting: April 27, 2018