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Chair

Interagency Council on Homelessness

DRAFT MINUTES

of the

INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

Video and Teleconference Meeting on

Friday, March 31, 2016

9a – Until Adjourned

Videoconference Locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)

So. NV Adult Mental Health Services
6161 W. Charleston Blvd., *West Hall Conference Room*
Las Vegas, NV 89146

Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)

4126 Technology Way
Conference Room 201
Carson City, NV 89706

Division of Health Care Financing & Policy (DHCFP)

1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 103
Elko, NV 89801

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Announcements

For Possible Action

Ellen Richardson-Adams, Chair of Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH), called the meeting to order at 9a.

Members Present: Betsy Aiello, Jenifer Chavez, Anne Cory, James Dzurenda, Steven Fisher, Michele Fuller-Hallauer, CJ Manthe, Dennis Perea, Tony Ramirez, Ellen Richardson-Adams, and Kelly Robson.

Members Absent: John Schmidt and Wendy Simons.

Others Present: Anabel Ballard (DPBH administrative support), Shannon Earnst (Churchill County Social Services and Rural CoC Representative), Jennifer Frischman (DHCFP), Dale

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Hansen (NV Housing Division), Vanessa Pickles (DPBH administrative support), Julie Slabaugh (Sr. Deputy Attorney General), Sarah Yeats-Patrick (Social Entrepreneurs Inc.), and Tim Wright

Announcements: Member Tony Ramirez announced that a Federal Interagency Council Region 9 is being formulated out of San Francisco and is currently chaired by DHHS. They would like to engage California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii on interagency issues. They are aware that Nevada has an ICH, but California and Hawaii do not. They should be reaching out in the next several weeks to see what we are up to and to interconnect with us. Contact person information to be forwarded to Ellen Richardson-Adams.

II. Public Comment

Shannon Earnst stated that since 2003 CoC has been funded by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. This year's pre-application has been denied due to not being able to show one geographical area where new jobs are being created. Charles Schwab bank and NV Housing Division have been able to provide sufficient funds for one year, however, this is not enough support. Any support that can be provided in the future is appreciated and will assist in providing numerous services to this population.

III. Review of Meeting Minutes – 10/21/2016

For Possible Action

Meeting minutes for 10/21/2016 were reviewed.

James Dzurenda made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Dennis Perea seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

IV. Reappointed Interagency Council on Homelessness Members

All ICH members' appointments ended in October 2016. Several members renewed their appointments and new members have also been added. Ellen Richardson-Adams will remain on the Council as Chair. Betsy Aiello has retired from state service but will serve on the Council as a private citizen/advocate. Jennifer Frischmann will step into Ms. Aiello's vacant position (DHCFP) pending appointment letter. John Schmidt has resigned from the Council effective immediately. Stephen Fisher, James Dzurenda, CJ Manthe, Dennis Perea, Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Tony Ramirez, Wendy Simons, and Kelly Robson have all renewed their applications. Discussion was held regarding engaging members from the LGBTQ community, including youth and young adults, individuals experienced in homelessness, and an individual representing Legislature would be helpful, although this is not a required position. Members were encouraged to submit suggestions to Ellen Richardson-Adams.

V. Workgroup Updates

For Possible Action

List of current workgroup members was reviewed. It was discussed that due to the recent ICH membership changes, there would need to be changes to the makeup of the workgroups as well. All members were reminded that workgroup Chair/Co-Chair were voted on at ICH meetings,

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however, the members and participants could be determined at the workgroup-level and did not need to be brought before the ICH.

Workgroup 1 (Housing, Homelessness Prevention, and Intervention): Update included changes in membership and desire to exchange workgroup Chair. Kelly Robson and CJ Manthe have discussed swapping roles on this workgroup and are both in agreement that this would work best.

Michele Fuller-Hallauer made a motion for Kelly Robson to Chair and CJ Manthe to Co-Chair for Workgroup 1. Anne Cory seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Workgroup 2 (Education and Workforce Development): Workgroup 2 remains as is with Dennis Perea as Chair and James Dzurenda as Co-Chair.

Workgroup 3 (Coordination of Primary and Behavioral Health, and Wraparound Services): There are no Chair/Co-Chair due to membership changes. Open to any members interested in joining. Jennifer Frischmann and Anne Cory both stated they would like to serve on this workgroup and Michele Fuller-Hallauer asked that CCSS Director, Mike Pawlak also be included.

CJ Manthe made a motion to assign Anne Cory as Chair and Tony Ramirez as Co-Chair for Workgroup 2. Kelly Robson seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Betsy Aiello offered to join any workgroup that may need the participation of a Council member.

Workgroup 4 (Coordination of Data and Resources): Workgroup has been unable to meet due to current scheduled date/time. Workgroup is in need of a new Co-Chair and additional members. Steve Fisher volunteered to co-chair this workgroup.

Betsy Aiello made a motion to nominate Steve Fisher as Co-Chair for Workgroup 4. Anne Cory seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Workgroup 5 (Policies and Long Term Planning): Workgroup is in need of new members and is accepting nominations. Open to suggestions for community members. Michele will remain on workgroup as Co-Chair. Suggestions included Cherie Smith (Executive Director, Elko FISH). Sarah Yeats-Patrick will get contact information and forward.

Michele Fuller-Hallauer made a motion for Betsy Aiello to serve as Chair. Tony Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Ellen Richardson-Adams announced that Vanessa Pickles with SAPTA has accepted a promotion and will no longer be providing clerical support to workgroups. Vanessa's last day with SAPTA is April 7, 2017. Ellen will update members when new support is in place.

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VI. Bylaws Committee Update

For Possible Action

Annual Bylaws review is due. Ellen Richardson-Adams would like to comprise a workgroup with a Chair and Co-Chair in order to review and be able to present to ICH at next meeting. Betsy Aiello volunteered to lead workgroup in review. Ellen Richardson-Adams agreed to participate in the workgroup, but would not chair in order to avoid conflict due to her position as ICH Chair. Would like to schedule committee meeting by end of April 2017.

Kelly Robson made a motion for Betsy Aiello to Chair Bylaws Committee and for James Dzurenda to Co-Chair. Michele Fuller-Hallauer seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

VII. Medicaid Supportive Services Update

For Possible Action

Due to ACA repeal not moving forward, there is currently no block grant to impede moving forward. Jennifer Frischmann has just stepped into this position and continues to familiarize herself with the Strategic Plan. Meeting is currently being set up with Washoe County to see how they can interact with them. Betsy Aiello stated that Mike Pawlak would be the person to partner up with along with Washoe County. Also suggested that a combined meeting be held to include Washoe and Clark Counties. As more information becomes available, Jennifer Frischmann will be able to report.

VIII. Continuum of Care (CoC) Updates

Michele Fuller-Hallauer reported a face to face meeting was recently held in Reno. Discussed coordinated intake for each of the CoCs and how they're moving forward to ensure HUD compliance. Community Housing Assessment Tool (CHAT) was also discussed at Reno meeting. The tool is currently in place, has been evaluation, and it has been deemed as valid and should continue to be used. Discussed developing a planning team for a discharge planning summit which would take place in the Fall of 2017.

Sarah Yeats-Patrick reported for Northern Nevada and rural area CoC and stated that the rurals are interested in developing their own tool based on their needs. They determined that the CHAT does not meet their needs as well as the Vulnerability Index Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) does, therefore, they will be sticking with that for now. Point-in-time homeless count data will be submitted shortly and data can be shared with ICH. This year Washoe County tested a new app in order to complete their count. They believe the app was very successful and would like to continue using next year.

Ellen Richardson-Adams asked who should be listed on ICH agenda as rural representative. Sarah Yeats-Patrick stated that Shannon Earnst should be listed as rural CoC representative and Kelly Marschall should be listed as Reno representative.

Anne Cory stated that they just started a process of creating a comprehensive community plan to help end youth homelessness and hope to have the plan completed in approximately 6 months. Ellen Richardson-Adams asked Ms. Cory if she would be interested in presenting at a future ICH meeting and Ms. Cory was in agreement.

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- IX. Set Date and Time of Next Meeting and Discuss Future Agenda Items** *For Possible Action*
Future agenda items presented were: Bylaws review, review Strategic Plan goals and strategies (Workgroups may need to revisit), annual letter to Governor Sandoval, CDBG discussion (Tony Ramirez to send contact information for Jean Barrett to Anabel Ballard for next meeting's invitation), and CABHI grant. Potential ICH meeting dates are June 16th or June 23rd. Will check room availability and will send out meeting invite.
- X. Public Comment** *For Possible Action*
No public comment.
- XI. Adjournment**
Meeting was adjourned at 10:28a by Ellen Richardson-Adams.