

**ORANGE COUNTY
CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD
Wednesday, February 26, 2020
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**County of Orange
1501 E St. Andrew Pl
Conference Room 134
Santa Ana, CA 92705**

MINUTES

Board Member Names

**Jason Austin, OC Health Care Agency
Jeanne Awrey, OC Dept. of Education [Secretary]
Matt Bates, City Net
Judson Brown, City of Santa Ana
Natalie Bui, Veteran Affairs CRRC
Donald Dermit, The Rock Church
Curtis Gamble, Hope Lifted
Vacant**

**Becks Heyhoe, OC United Way
Patti Long, Mercy House
Dawn Price, Friendship Shelter
Albert Ramirez, City of Anaheim
Maricela Rios-Faust, Human Options
George Searcy, Jamboree Housing [Chair]
Tim Shaw, Individual [Vice-Chair]**

Call to Order – George Searcy, Chair

George Search called the meeting to order at 2:01 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance – Dawn Price, Friendship Shelter

Dawn Price led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Member Roll Call – Jeanne Awrey, Secretary

Present: Jason Austin, Jeanne Awrey, Matt Bates, Judson Brown, Curtis Gamble, Donald Dermit, Becks Heyhoe, Patti Long, Dawn Price, Albert Ramirez, Maricela Rios-Faust, George Searcy and Tim Shaw.

Absent Excused: Natalie Bui

Public Comments: Members of the public may address the Continuum of Care Board on items listed within this agenda or matters not appearing on the agenda so long as the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the Continuum of Care Board. Members of the public may address the Continuum of Care Board with public comments on agenda items in the business calendar after the Continuum of Care Board member discussion. Comments will be limited to three minutes. If there are more than five public speakers, this time will be reduced to two minutes.

Bill Singleton from Covenant House California announced that Covenant House California is close to securing a location in the City of Anaheim for a Transition Age Youth shelter.

Welcome and Introductions - George Searcy, Chair

Chair George Searcy will welcome Continuum of Care Board members and attendees and when appropriate, introductions will occur.

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters are approved by one motion unless pulled by a Board Member for discussion or separate action. The CoC Board requests that only pertinent information be discussed during this time.

1. Approve Continuum of Care Board Meeting Minutes from January 22, 2020 and the Continuum of Care Board Retreat Minutes from February 07, 2020.

2. Continuum of Care Committee/Working Group Reports

- A. Homeless Provider Forum
- B. Data and Performance
- C. Street Outreach Team
- D. Housing Opportunities

Jeanne Awrey motioned to approve the consent calendar. Jason Austin seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

1. Continuum of Care Updates – Paul Duncan, CoC Manager

Updates on the Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC) included:

- a. Whole Person Care Partnership with Office of Care Coordination
The Office of Care Coordination held a meeting with the Health Care Agency department overseeing Whole Person Care to coordinate clients on the Coordinated Entry System and the Whole Person Care to determine eligibility and provide additional resources.
- b. National Alliance on Ending Homelessness (NAEH) Conference
The NAEH held the 2020 Solutions for Individual Homeless Adults: A National Conference on February 19-21, 2020. During the conference, representatives from the U.S. Department on Housing and Urban Development announced that Tier 2 CoC NOFA funding is forthcoming.
- c. Office of Care Coordination Staff
Shannon Legere has resigned from the Office of Care Coordination effective February 14, 2020. Paul Duncan, CoC Manager and Jonathan Chi, Shelters Manager, will fill the interim position until the Office of Care Coordination Director position is filled. Additional current openings for the department include: three staff specialists and one shelters administrator.
- d. State of the State
Governor Gavin Newsom's State of the State addressed homelessness extensively. It is predicted that homelessness funding will be ongoing rather than one time funding. The details of the third round of funding by the State to address homelessness is forthcoming.
- e. Request for Information (RFI) and Request for Proposals (RFP) Updates
The RFI for the Yale Transitional Center is expected to soon be released to receive community input on the new shelter for sight design and services provided. An RFP for Technical Assistance on CoC Planning is forthcoming. Support includes the Point in Time, the annual Notice of Funding Ability and Continuum of Care gap analysis.

2. Vision and Objectives Ad Hoc – George Searcy, Chair

Chair George Searcy shared an update on the Vision and Objectives Ad Hoc planning process established during the CoC Board Retreat on February 7, 2020. The CoC Board approved the creation of an ad hoc to draft a CoC vision and set of objectives for next two calendar years (2020 – 2021) to articulate specific outcomes to address homelessness by the April 2020 meeting. Volunteered appointments for the ad hoc include Vice Chair Tim Shaw, Patti Long, Judson Brown, Becks Heyhoe and Joe Colletti. The current vacant CoC Board seat will not be filled until this ad hoc produces a strategic vision to fill the open seat.

3. California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH) Round 2 and Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Request for Information Report – Paul Duncan, Continuum of Care Manager

Paul Duncan provided an analysis and recommendation on the CESH Round 2 and HHAP Request for Information applications received on February 3, 2020.

Maricela Rios-Faust motioned to approve the following motion:

1. Authorize the Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA) to release a Request For Proposals (RFP) for Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) and California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH) programs on behalf of the Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC).
2. Authorize County staff to identify a process to allocate HHAP and/or CESH funding to support the following two items:
 - a. Youth-Focused Point in Time Count
 - b. Data Planning, Analysis, Integration and Quality Improvement

Donald Dermit seconded the motion. Becks Heyhoe, Patti Long, Albert Ramirez, Matt Bates and Dawn Price abstained from voting. The remainder of the CoC Board members voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Dawn Price motioned to approve the following amended motion:

3. The CoC State Funding Ad Hoc will consider priority for renewing programs that meet targets and create a tiered system for new application as funding becomes available.

Judson Brown seconded the motion. Matt Bates, Patti Long, and Becks Heyhoe abstained from voting. The remainder of the CoC Board members voted in favor of the amended motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The key considerations on the analysis report will be noted as staff considerations in the RFP and the ad hoc may provide guidance to staff as needed. The CoC Board may also evaluate the key considerations presented by the ad hoc.

4. CoC Board Structure Recommendations – Paul Duncan, Continuum of Care Manager

Approve the proposed CoC Board Committee structure:

- Proposed CoC Board Committees: Policies Procedures and Standards Committee, Coordinated Entry System Committee and Housing Opportunities Committee
- Proposed Individual Meetings: Orange County’s Homeless Provider Forum, Data Performance and Management, Street Outreach Team, Emergency Shelters, Transitional Age Youth Collaborative

Vice Chair Tim Shaw motioned to adopt the proposed CoC Board committee structure. Maricela Rios-Faust seconds the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

5. Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee Appointment – Tim Shaw, Vice Chair

Appoint the CoC Board Committee Chairs to serve on the Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee and appoint Maricela Rios-Faust as the at-large seat.

Tim motioned to approve the Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee Appointment. Dawn Price seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent. The current committee chairs are Judson Brown, Housing Opportunities Committee and Patti Long, Coordinated Entry Committee.

6. System Performance Measures Report – Paul Duncan, Continuum of Care Manager and Erin DeRycke, 2-1-1 Orange County

Erin shared an overview of the CoC System Performance Measures Report and provided the following recommendation:

Approve the CoC System Performance Measures Report which is due to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development by February 28, 2020.

Matt Bates motioned to approve the System Performance Measures Report. Albert Ramirez seconded the motion. Vice Chair Tim Shaw, Dawn Price, Judson Brown and Patti Long left during Business Calendar agenda item 6. The remainder of the CoC Board voted on the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

7. Quarterly CoC Annual Performance Report Review – Paul Duncan, CoC Manager

A recommendation will be presented during the March 25, 2020 CoC Board meeting.

8. Expiring CoC Board Seat Planning – Paul Duncan, Continuum of Care Manager

The expiring CoC Board seat planning will be evaluated by the Vision Ad Hoc.

Public Comments

- Paul Hyek commented on the bussing policy for the County of Orange emergency shelters.
- Peter Warner commented on a housing placement by Mercy House Living Shelters.

Board Member Comments

Curtis Gamble commented on city municipal codes and asked for a moment of silence for the recent death of Kobe Bryant and the families associated in the helicopter accident.

Meeting adjourned at 4:34 P.M.

Next Meeting: March 25, 2020

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