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IN BOS COC BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 27, 2017

11:00-3:00

IHCDA OFFICES – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
30 S. MERIDIAN STREET

**Members Present:** Laura Berry; Ray Lay; George Guy; Rick Moore; Craig Beckley; Pam Isaac; Mary Beth Wott; Donna Bolinger; Myra Wilkey; Naomi Nicastro.

**Members Excused:** Sharron Liggins, Forrest Gilmore

Meeting was called to order at 11:05 AM by President, Mary Beth Wott. Mary Beth announced that Heather McCarthy resigned from the BOS Board of Directors.

Consent agenda was moved, seconded and carried.

**Rodney Stockment Update on 2017 Competitive HUD Application.**

Rodney indicated that the application process is a bit behind, however, making good progress with the scoring tool almost complete. Resource and Funding Committee scheduled to meet 2<sup>nd</sup> week in May to prepare for the application process and getting the committee in the driver's seat with as much efficiency as possible. The regions will have 90 days from the release of the NOFA to complete applications.

**Strategic Plan Update**

Three consultant proposals were considered. University of Southern Indiana was selected due to their experience and competitive bid. Rodney indicated that the consultants will begin the process with "listening tours," phone interviews with Board members and other internal and external stakeholders. The consultant will look at board structure and the supportive relationship of IHCDA to the BOS Coc Board of Directors. Rodney informed board that a doodle pool would be sent to the Board in May to set a date for a face to face strategic planning meeting. The Consultant is being paid from a HUD planning grant of \$255,000 that was awarded in 2017. There is approximately \$125,000 left in the planning grant that may be used to support the Coordinated Entry project. A board member asked about possible funds being allocated for HMIS technical assistance (TA) training for regional staff. Jill indicated that she would need more specific information to assess the need.

**Jill Robertson, IHCDA Director of Community Services, Update**

Jill indicated that PIT and HIC deadline is Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. IHCDA is doing a review of Client Track to determine whether there should be a possible change in vendors because of compliance concerns, efficiency and software missteps with VA, HHS and PATH.

News of a takeover of PH by Centerstone Community Mental Health Center working directly with HUD, rather than going through the city of Bloomington. It appears that the City of Bloomington approached Centerstone requesting the takeover. Grant will pay for rental assistance and Centerstone will bill

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Medicaid for supportive services. A motion was made to accept Centerstone as a direct grantee of the HUD grant funds. The motion was seconded and carried after a discussion about the positive benefits of such an arrangement.

**Pam Isaac – Committee Chair- Regional Chairs Committee**

Pam Requested Board's input into the Committee's agenda. Working with Homeful Organization, an experienced Technical Assistance provider in Ohio, the leading provider on diversion. Homeful will assist with Train the Trainer on Coordinated Entry, establish the parameters of the role of Regional Chair, and help agencies become engaged in the process. Training schedules set for SPDAT and VI-SPDAT, also Coordinated Entry prioritization. Creating a timeline for implementation. Mention was made that when a training timeline is established, South Bend should be encouraged to attend.

**Mary Beth Wott - South Bend Merger Update**

HUD is positively invested in making the merger happen as quickly as possible and will manually transfer Geo codes to BOS to make this happen expeditiously if the CoC approves the merger on Development Day. There was discussion about CoC membership vote on Development Day. Board recommended paper ballot, one vote per agency.

**Jill Robertson/ Naomi Nicastro - SSVF Survey Discussion**

Discussion about reaching out to the State's 6 SSVF providers from 14 regions to ascertain what the VA is doing to end homelessness, review their CoC plan and what each city is doing to cooperate with the plan with the Mayor's Challenge. Intent is to do the survey and merge the responses into one document.

**Laura Berry - BOS CoC Board member's Conflict of Interest document.**

Laura presented Conflict of Interest document for discussion, emphasizing the importance of recusal of voting on projects where a vested interest would compromise the approval process. Document was presented for board member's signature. A few members indicated they would like more time to review the document.

There was additional discussion regarding the need to be supportive of Housing First Concept throughout VA housing as well as other housing applications.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded, carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM. Next meeting, May, 27, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Bolinger, Member at Large

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