

BLUEPRINT COUNCIL | MARCH 11, 2016

MEETING AGENDA

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 P.M.

The Damien Center, 26 N. Arsenal Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46201

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – 10:02 A.M.

- A. Attendance: Raymond Berry, Rebekah Bricker, Michael Butler, Julie Fidler, Jennie Fults, Matt Holland, Sandy Jeffers, Mary Jones, Julia Kathary, Leslie Kelly, Courtney Purnell, Kirk Taylor, Jeremy Turner, Jenni White, Michelle Winfield, Alan Witchey, Zach Alexander (notes)
- B. Absent: Laura Alvarado, Terri Garcia, Crystal Haslett, Aaron Kalinowski, Sue Reed
- C. Guests: Rev. Antonio Alexander, Tenise Chandler, Freddie Crawford, Michaela Flash, Heather Hamm, Karin Thornburg

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Zach will send out the February minutes via email and post them to the website
- B. Respond back to the email with any edits/changes to the minutes

III. BLUEPRINT COUNCIL BUSINESS

ELECTION WORKGROUP UPDATE

- A. Julia Kathary and Rev. Antonio Alexander, the co-chairs, are in the process of finalizing a summary of the 2015 election/reelection process
 - 1. Misconception/differing opinions in voting for following the 2013 election process
 - 2. Errors in the ballots
 - a. No way to distinguish as formerly homeless/homeless **OR** as a participant in the CoC with a signed membership statement in the electronic ballot
 - b. No name field on the hard copy of the ballot
 - c. The electronic and hard copy ballots did not match
 - 3. Attendance records and signed membership statement record keeping was not consistent and effectively incomplete

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- B. Electronically signed membership statements, as of now, cannot be accounted for
- C. The Election Workgroup then decided to see if they could verify the previous ballots to see if they could verify the previous election and be in compliance with the City, so that they could sign off on the application
 - 1. After trying to verify ballots, the Elections Workgroup could not produce sufficient, verified ballots to appease the City's requirements to sign off on the application
- D. The Election Workgroup then decided to run a "redo" election; this election will emulate the original election
 - 1. Prior nominees will be contacted to verify if they are still interested and able to run for the election
 - a. If a nominated person running for as eat in which they were the only person cannot continue to be on the ballot, the election committee will then determine the process for receiving nominations for that seat
 - 2. Determined timeframe for "12 months prior" participation in the CoC
 - a. 10/21/2014 – 10/21/2015
 - 3. Create identical electronic/hard copy ballots with fields that distinguish EITHER homeless/formerly homeless OR active participant in CoC with signed membership statement
 - 4. Still must decide the voting process, tabulating the votes, and how announcing elected members will occur
- E. Electronically signed membership statements have been lost
 - 1. This means that a population of community members, including Blueprint Council members, will not be eligible to vote due to a lack of a signed membership statement
 - 2. Jennie Fults presented that membership statements should be on the forefront of the Charter Revision Workgroup's mind
- F. Formal vote: Name required / not required
 - 1. Name not required: 3 votes
 - 2. Name required: 11 votes
 - 3. **Verdict:** The ballot will require the name field to be completed on the ballot.

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G. Formal vote: the Election Workgroup wants the Blueprint Council to vote on the “redo” 2015 election:

1. A “redo election” with no new nominees (unless there’s a vacancy in a nominee field) that only had one person on the ballot
2. Active participation 12 months prior
3. Creation of identical electronic/hard copy ballots
 - a. Includes a required name field
 - b. Includes distinction between homeless/formerly homeless OR active participant in the CoC **with** signed membership statement
4. Will move forward in facilitating the election process
5. Yes: 16
6. No: 0
7. **Verdict:** The Blueprint Council approves the aforementioned “redo” 2015 election process

CHARTER REVISION WORKGROUP UPDATE

- A. Set regular meetings (three-hour, biweekly meetings)
- B. Elected a co-chair (Leslie Kelly) and will choose a non-Blueprint Council member for the other co-chair
- C. Wants to fully review and revise the Charter by June 2016
- D. Discussed setting a regular time for the Blueprint Council and Continuum of Care meetings
 1. Send out Doodle/dates by next week to set

COUNCIL CHAIR DISCUSSION

- A. Mary will continue as the acting chair in her position as the Vice Chair
- B. Filling the chair will emerge through evaluating the election process and the charter revision

IV. UPDATES AND ACTION ITEMS BY COMMITTEE

PLANNING & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- A. HUD awarded Tier 1 grants
 1. Received planning dollars that will be awarded to CHIP
- B. Boner did not accept their HUD money

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1. The Planning & Investment Committee will continue discussing how to address this and create solutions
 2. No one will be put out on the streets
- C. Reviewing the Blueprint 2.0 Evaluation
- D. Zach will reach out to the Planning and Investment Committee and Blueprint Council by next week to get some feedback on the Blueprint 2.0 Evaluation (attach the evaluation with that communication)

PROGRAM APPLICATION & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

- A. Need for new projects in the next NOFA
1. Need approximately 200 units to support projects
 - a. CoC standard for supporting scattered site projects
 - i. Work together to support one another; fight against acting as silos
 - ii. Need to support landlords who will house individuals in homelessness
 - iii. Heather Hamm talks on needing more than just a sheet of paper, but rather a relationship with service providers to promote success for housed (former) clients
 - iv. Further the Continuum of Care and foster relationships with individuals once they are housed; both landlords and service providers to prevent eviction and promote retention
 - v. What to figure out: a communication plan to distribute to landlords so those relationships can be fostered
 - vi. Community Education Committee (Matt Holland) will spearhead creating that communication strategy; Housing/Services will inform that content
 - b. Revamping the ranking process
 - c. Looking for more members!

COMMUNITY EDUCATION & PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE

- A. Update on workgroups
1. Split into Community Education and Public Policy workgroups

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- B. Calling for a new co-chair
 - 1. Joan Harvey needs to step down to focus on library initiatives
 - 2. Callout for new co-chair
- C. Voter registration for May 2016 primary
 - 1. Vote!
- D. *Time Out of Mind* screening event
 - 1. May 17, 2016 at Center Library
- E. Feedback for Know Outlets
 - 1. Looking for ways to revitalize and sustain the Know Outlets campaign

HOUSING & SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE

- A. Voted for priorities when looking at housing waitlist
 - 1. Focusing on veterans as top-priority
 - 2. Looking at youth next meeting

V. AGENDA FOR MARCH 16 CoC MEETING

- A. Committee report outs
- B. “Redo” election process
- C. Support Services survey will follow the full CoC Meeting – please come and participate!

VI. OTHER BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING

- A. Zach will send out:
 - 1. The previous Blueprint Council meeting minutes (on 3/11)
 - 2. A Doodle with dates for the rest of 2016 Blueprint Council meeting dates (by 3/14)
 - 3. The agenda for the full CoC meeting (by 3/14)

VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT – 11:34 A.M.