

SDHHC
Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)
11/14/2019 Meeting Minutes

Members present

Joseph Tielke, Co-Chair
Sherry Scudder, Co-Chair
Kim Hansen, Secretary/Treasurer
Alexandra Miller
Kathy Rutten
Jamie Kirsch
Melanie Bliss

Members absent

Montie Barkley
Mark Kiepke
Anita Deranleau
Lisa Schrader

Other attendees (SDHDA)

Davis Schofield
Denise Albertson

Agenda

- Review meeting minutes for 10/10/19 (attached)
-Joseph stated minutes looked good, but asked to refer back to Sioux Falls Housing and their appeal of CoC denial (financial cut). Lorraine and Davis had a call with Denver HUD regarding the reallocation and the proper way to proceed. Davis drafted a letter addressing the items cited by SF Housing, but a decision was made not to send it. Karl Fulmer (Sioux Falls Housing and Redevelopment) did contact Davis via phone and they discussed some concerns and corrections. How do we move forward in a positive manner? –Davis asked for input from PAC. Sam Potter from HUD Denver did do an audit with SF Housing and SDHDA will be privileged to this information. Sherry offered that she had a conversation with Dianne Hovdestad at SF Housing and visited about the ranking tool, how to house difficult to house individuals, etc. Jamie asked about rather than looking at the ranking tool, to determine a way to help SF Housing.

SF Housing is concerned about liability of utilizing funds, and how to manage the monies so they don't over extend themselves. SF Housing is looking to the future and being extremely conservative with their use of the grant dollars. The fear is that they will return even more dollars this year. Melanie brought up the fact that other programs do spend over and above what the grant allows and they are forced to absorb what is not covered by the grant. Melanie pointed out that SF Housing's practices have been in place a very long time. Sherry suggested that we move forward from the decision, as the appeal has been decided and there has been no further outreach from SF Housing regarding the appeal.

-Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes and the PAC approved the October meeting minutes.

- Discuss suggested changes for CoC Gov. Charter (attached)
 - Committees that are formed should be approved (such as the committees we have people sign up for at the annual Homeless Summit). We would have a brief description of each committee.

-Discussed changes regarding some of the wording on South Dakota's Housing for the Homeless Consortium CoC Governance Charter Agreement. Jamie brought up points on clarifying some of the definitions on the document and asked for clarification on other points. Davis reported that our CoC is in the middle (not considered high or low performing). Davis requested that Jamie send him some notes on her proposed changes to the Charter Agreement; she will do this.

-Joseph asked if we can have a vote to approve the current changes. The changes were approved by the PAC with additional amendments as proposed by Jamie.

- SDHDA Emergency Transfers Plan – begin review process (attached)
- Report on Rapid City & Region 1 Coordinated Entry Meeting on Oct. 24
 - Partnership with VOA of the Rocky Mountains
 - Black Hills Homeless Coalition is hiring a new individual to take part in this.
 - The meeting was well attended and some decisions were able to be made.
- Point-In-Time Count and Housing Inventory Chart Report
 - Almost that time of year again. Partnerships being made with Augustana, etc.

-A lot of areas that need representation to get an accurate count, including use of technology and reports to HUD.

-The first formal meeting is Nov. 21st, then every other week thereafter. There will also be meetings prior to the count and a follow up after. Susan Smith from Augustana will be the lead person again. Our goal with the mobile app is 100%.

-Annual renewing contract is \$3,100 through Simtech Solutions. With this we get the app, the surveys in real time, gives the ability to reach out to persons entering information and ask questions, software included to help produce report, look for duplications, etc. Joseph asked about efforts to reduce paper, when trainings are being held with volunteers, etc. It is best to train people ahead of time due to the different surveys within the app. People can use the practice link ahead of time to familiarize themselves with the process.

-We need to improve relationships and representation of our Native American communities. Davis will be doing some travel in hopes of accomplishing some of this. Jamie talked about some disaster relief and wondered where that is coming from. If anybody comes across best practice ideas reach out to Davis. In the past information we received from some of the reservation areas has been duplicated. Difficulties with severe overcrowding and inability to get accurate numbers. Jamie asked if there is a way to talk about what does constitute a livable home, as some of the trailers, etc. that individuals are living in were not intended for permanent housing

and appear uninhabitable. Sherry mentioned concerns with the definition of chronic homelessness. Melanie visited about some individuals who are doing work to help the reservations and suggested reaching out to them to make a connection.

- Dec. 10th quarterly meeting of SDHHC at Pierre
 - We will try for this to be in person, but weather depending we will have the availability to Skype. We will wait until closer to the date to make this announcement, as we would prefer people be there in person.

*CoC orientation for PAC part two. If you have specific areas you are wanting to learn about reach out to Davis. Melanie suggested asking Roger Jacobs from our statewide HUD. Davis said he will ask him. Looking at dates in December for this training, possibly the 11th.

*Next PAC meeting Tuesday, December 12th at 11AM CDT.