

Continuum of Care Board

May 22, 2024
Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at **3:02 PM**.

Attendance/Introductions

- **Board Members Present:** Reese McMullin, Shannon Boniface, Matt Anderson, Arielle Anderson, George Dahl, Gloria Mantz, Eric Robison, Audrie Meraki, Pink Varela, Aaron Riley, Chris Dorcheus, Micah Kaluzny, Daniel Klemme, Marilee Roloff, Scott Ferguson, Jennifer Wilcox
- **Staff Present:** Cyrus Campos, Keri Cederquist, Amanda Martinez, Adam Schooley, Lucas Masjoan, Kimi Clifton
- **Guests Present:** Suzanne Phillips, Nicolette Ocheltree, David Sackmann, Barry Barfield, Anthony Rankin, Esa Lariviera, Jasmine Bower, Heather Eddy, Khira Passover, Jen Haynes-Harter

The Attendance roster listed above may not capture all the individuals that attended virtually if they joined the meeting after it had started due to the limitations of the virtually meeting platform

Approval of the Board Minutes:

MOTION by Marilee Roloff, seconded by Matt Anderson, **to approve the February and April 2024 minutes; unanimously approved.**

Approval of the Agenda:

Request to amend agenda to put the Spokane Regional Health District presentation as the first item under “Discussion and Action Items” and add to the Discussion and Action Items Rapid Rehousing Training from the National Alliance to End Homelessness that Arielle Anderson will be presenting on and calling for an action.

MOTION by Matt Anderson, seconded by Marilee Roloff, **to approve the Agenda as Amended; unanimously approved.**

Discussion and Action Items:

Presentation by Spokane Regional Health District: Youth and Young Adult Survey Results – Brittany Bannon, PhD, provided the purpose and background information, key findings, and conclusions from the Youth and Young Adult Survey results. (Slides attached.) Discussion followed.

Executive Committee Report: Shannon Boniface provided a brief overview over the topics covered in the Executive Committee and all of which is on the agenda for today.

Rapid Re-Housing Training:

Arielle Anderson provided information about Rapid Rehousing training from the National Alliance to End Homelessness that will happen in June and asked the board to make this a requirement for providers.

MOTION by Marilee Roloff, seconded by Jennifer Wilcox, **to require Rapid Rehousing Providers to take the Rapid Rehousing Training by National Alliance to End Homelessness.; unanimously approved.**

Stipend Policy:

MOTION by Matt Anderson, seconded by Marilee Roloff, **to accept the stipend policy and include it in the Charter; unanimously approved.**

SNAP RRH Funds:

Arielle Anderson provided an overview of how the Spokane CoC, as a UFA, can move funds around as projects are underspending/underperforming and put them into projects that could use more funding. She then gave more specific information regarding SNAP being unable to spend all their RRH funds and the YWCA RRH and St. Margaret's TH indicating they needed more funds. Arielle emphasized the need for the City and Board to be proactive in collaborating to identify programs that are underspending or overspending and adjusting contracts as needed.

MOTION by Reese McMullin, seconded by Marilee Roloff, **to transfer \$30,000 in unspent funds from Spokane Neighborhood Action Partner's Rapid Re-Housing Contract to Rapid Re-Housing for the YWCA at \$15,000 projects and St. Margaret's Transitional Housing at \$15,000; unanimously approved (with Shannon Boniface and Aaron Riley abstaining).**

Spokane City and County Reports:

Arielle Anderson provided an overview of how the goal in decommissioning TRAC is not to lose the beds but to create smaller scattered sites and a navigation center to help connect people to those sites and other resources. There will be a Request for Proposals released in the next two to three weeks, and there will be at least one meeting with providers for feedback on what this could look like and what they feel like they can provide.

George Dahl provided information on the desire for an apolitical group to put out data via a community-facing dashboard and has been working with Spokane Regional Health District to make this happen. He wants the CoC to help create three benchmarks to hit as this dashboard is created.

George Dahl also said that there will be a Request for Proposal for a program around helping low-income people replace old appliances in their homes coming out soon.

George Dahl then spoke about the Regional Authority upcoming meeting and how he hopes the update from the County, City, and Valley and their current collaborative efforts will show promise. Discussion followed.

Chris Mckinney provided an updates timeline for the most recent Request for Proposal and an update for exhibit A.

George Dahl also mentioned collaborating with CHHS to make sure data entered into CMIS is simplified and streamlined regardless of who the data is being reported to (City or County).

Spokane Valley Report:

Gloria Mantz opened with agreement to George's statement about the collaboration efforts. Gloria then spoke about Valley recently awarding a contract for outreach services. She also invited everyone to attend the Veteran's Memorial at Balfour Park on Friday, May 24th at 11am.

CA Report:

- YHDP Updates: Arielle Anderson provided an update – at this point the Host Homes money will be left on the table unless a provider can set up host homes program very quickly. There will be more amendments coming down the pipeline to get the \$280,000 of Rapid spent County-wide.
- PIT/HIC Update:
- CoC Project Updates
 - Monitoring:
 - Current Project Status:
- Board Position Vacancies
 - Homeless Coalition – Shannon is working on this.
 - Behavioral Health/Chemical Dependency
 - Tribal Representative – Tribal Partners Collaborative to make a pitch.
 - Family Representative (PLE)
 - K-12 Representative – application received
- Spokane Regional Health District Dashboard: What three components do you want to see on the dashboard? Please think about that and email Arielle ideas by May 31st. Arielle will take those ideas to City Council.

Sub-Committee/Workgroup Updates:

Coordinated Entry: Shannon announced June 4th is the start of the 30-day SALA pilot.

YAB: Pink Verela provided an update about Spectrum being their new home and are working on next steps with ACI.

Families: Heather Eddy said they are focused on the 5-year plan and should have their portion completed next month.

Singles: None.

Vets: None.

Diversion: Has been working on the 5-year plan and had a training. More diversion trainings coming up in the future.

Equity: None.

5-Year Plan: Next meeting is June 12 and will be led by Reese. Progress is being made with all the committees on the plan.

Provider Updates:

None.

General Announcements: Spokane Valley Homeless Connect will be held May 30, 2024, at Opportunity Presbyterian 200 N. Pines, from 12pm – 4pm and will include Warrant Fest, showers, haircuts, and more!

Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned at 4:54 PM.

The next CoC Board Meeting is scheduled for **June 26, 2024, from 3:00-5:00 pm.**