

# Continuum of Care Board

March 24, 2021  
Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 3:32 PM.

## Attendance

- Board Members Present: Ben Stuckart, Pamela Haley, Jennifer Haynes, Jan Simpson, Angela Chapman, Michele Harris, Andrey Muzychenko, Dave Singley, Lynsey Romero, Arick Erechar, Arielle Anderson, Braden Fish, David Sackmann, Kim McCollim, Mark Mattke, Pam Parr, Rayanna Tensley, Tim Crowley, Brian Davenport
- Staff Present: Kelly Burnett, Debra Cato, Brenda Schreiber, David Lewis, Cecily Ferguson, Cupid Alexander, Kirstin Davis, Matt Davis, Becky Tuno,
- Guests Present: Barry Barfield, Eric Robison, Jason Campbell

\*\*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 Consent Agenda:

It was mentioned that two members need to be added to attendance for the March meeting before it can be approved. Please add Mark Mattke and Robert Lippman to attendance.

Motion to approve the March Minutes with the additions to the attendance made by Board Member Mark Mattke and seconded by Robert Lippman.

- BOARD MINUTES APPROVED

## Money Transfer CC and VOA:

The City of Spokane's CoC program was given UFA status for this program year. With this status it allows for funds to be moved across all projects. The City of Spokane is asking to reduce funds in two projects that will not be able to spend them down and move them to projects that could use the additional funding. Will be removing funds from two Rapid Re-Housing programs and putting the funds into other projects that can use the funds for Supportive Service. City Staff Member shared computer screen during meeting so that everyone could see which projects were being reduced and which projects that the funds were going to be added to.

Motion to approve the funds transfer between CoC Projects made by Board Member Cat Nichols and Seconded by Pamela Parr.

- MOTION APPROVED

## City MOU

The current Spokane City-County Continuum of Care Collaborative Application MOU has expired and a new one has been created and was attached in the agenda packet for everyone's review. The MOU is to start January 1, 2021 and expire on December 31, 2022. If approved Ben will sign the MOU and send it back to City Staff.

Motion to approve the updated MOU made by Board Member Erik Larson and Seconded by Board Member Jan Simpson.

## COVID-19 Update:

- We are currently staying stable, number of cases are not rising, but they are not dropping

- either. We have plateaued both at the state and local level.
- Vaccinations are moving forward.
  - Seeing fewer cases in the 20-39 age group, which is currently not eligible for the vaccine at this time.
  - New Strain has been identified and it seems to be more transmittable and more severe.

#### **City Staff Update:**

- Senior Manager - Tija Danzig is no longer with the City of Spokane.
- Director - Tim Sigler is out of the office and at the moment we do not know when he will return.
- David Lewis will be stepping in as interim Senior Manager until we can get the position filled.

#### **City Data Report:**

City Staff member David Lewis provided the following information on CMIS data while sharing his screen over the WebEx meeting format. A sample of the dashboards that are used were shown to those on the meeting.

- Seven different measures were used as part of the HUD federal report.
- This data is used as part of the NOFA that goes to HUD and the state looks at it as well.
- Shows the length a person stayed at a shelter, if that shelter went into lockdown due to COVID, then that is why see results for a longer length of stay.
- Would like to look into the data that shows how long a person has been home.
- Would like to see information regarding the increase in population in Spokane and if the number of those who are becoming homeless has increased.

#### **Young Adult Shelter:**

- No new updates currently.
- Women's Hearth to have 15 additional beds available by the end of April.

#### **Board Workgroup - Membership Workgroup:**

There are currently three open positions on the board. Would like to set-up a workgroup and ask to have two volunteers for the review of Applications. - Pam mentioned that she would like to be part of this workgroup.

#### **CoC Website and Logo Discussion**

- The new approved logo was shared with the group.
- Currently working on creating the website, maybe there might be an intern who would be able to help with this.

#### **Sector Reports:**

Higher Ed - Brian Davenport provided the following information to the board.

- Can be a resource for the CoC and their Providers.
- College Students housing insecure - 17% of them are homeless
- Students are not using the benefits that are available to them.

**Meeting Adjourned at 4:32 PM.**

The next COC Board Meeting is scheduled for **April 28, 2021 from 3:30-5 pm.**