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General Assembly Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday, September 17th, 2015, from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Location

Manchester Community Resource Center, 434 Lake Ave, 4th floor, Manchester, NH 03103

Attendees

Amy Brady	Cathy Kuhn	Cheryl Thompson	Craig Chevalier	Dan Ward
Emily Reisine	Holly Bilodeau	Jocelyne Pinsonneault	Kevin Kintner	Laurel Redden
Lauren Collins	Mark Stokes	Nicole Clark	Rich Doyle	Robert Mottola
Todd Fleming	Tyler Glodt	Ashley Kitchell	Mary Beckwith	Mikaela Gerry
Jodie Hartke	Erin Kelly	-	-	•

12:00 Meeting begins

12:05 Amy Brady

- I. Amy Brady was kind enough to give a presentation on her role at the VA Medical Center. Her position as created to add an employment section to the rehabilitative care that eligible veterans receive.
- II. Her role is to work with community partners, especially in terms of data collection, training, and awareness.
- III. Some of the programs she runs include:
 - a. Veteran Workforce Career Readiness workshops
 - b. Workshops for providers
 - c. Veteran Employment Collaborative

12:10 Elections

- I. Rich Doyle is resigning as Chair, meaning the position will be open.
- II. Nicole will send out an election email- Send either her or Rich to nominate someone else or to self-nominate.

12:10 Functional Zero

- I. The committee held some discussion over the concept of Functional Zero. Committee members from the VA made it clear that they were not advocating for it.
- II. Kevin Kintner asked for some clarification about what functional zero means for an agency and Robert Mottola explained that while functional zero does not mean an absolute zero, there is a shift in where the funding goes. Once an agency declares functional zero, more funds are directed towards prevention, rather than treatment.
- III. ICH is becoming more strict in requiring proof that an agency has reached functional zero.

12:20 CoC Meeting Plan

- I. The committee is looking for topics and presentations for the next meetings to come. Rich opened it up to the floor to suggest possibilities. These were suggested:
 - a. Amy Brady will give an employment training (toolkit for providers)



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- b. Educational Vocational/Rehabilitative Training
- c. Jocelyne Pinsonneault offered to give a presentation on homeless youth services
- d. Kevin suggested some form of life skill type class

12:30 NH Governor's Interagency Council on Homelessness

- I. Cathy offered some background on what NHICH is to those who might not know. NHICH provides a place for heads of state agencies as well as public or private non-governmental agencies to look at the issues surrounding homelessness.
- II. It meets twice a year. The most recent meeting was September 18, 2015.

12:40 NH Coalition to End Homelessness

- I. Cathy brought it to the committee's attention that Granite Leaders is now accepting people for their second class. Granite Leaders provides a 6 month training in leadership and takes up half of a day per month.
- II. If any agency believes they know someone that would be a good fit for this program, please contact Cathy or Kyle Beaulieau.

12:45 Meeting Concludes

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