

# Leadership Committee Minutes

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## **Date and Time**

Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

## **Location**

Manchester Community Resource Center, 434 Lake Ave, Manchester, NH

## **Attendees**

Mikaela Gerry, Nicole Clark, Cathy Kuhn, Julie Darling, Erin Kelly, David Harris, Kevin Kintner, Mary Sliney, Sheila Richards

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## **2:00 Meeting Begins**

## **Introductions**

## **Coordinated Entry**

- I. Committee met Julie Darling, FIT's new Coordinated Entry person, who will be working with the MCoC on implementing the process across the geographic region.
  - a. Julie will be helping to work in the community and create marketing materials.
  - b. Cathy proposed that because the Data Collection committee has become less relevant in the past year, we make it the de-facto Coordinated Entry committee. Committee agreed that this made sense. It will be brought up again at next week's General Assembly meeting.
- II. Mary gave a summary of what happened at this week's state Coordinated Entry meeting. As a CoC, it was reassuring to find that we weren't very far behind what anyone else is already accomplishing. As Mary noted, there are several different approaches being used to tackle the CE system.
- III. Erin asked the committee if we wanted to accept other CoC's offers to have their welfare commissioners approach our own.
  - a. Kevin said they were welcome to try, but wasn't sure this was where we'd get the best results.
  - b. Because this is the current commissioner's last term, committee discussed how we might be a part of the process of appointing a new commissioner in the future. Kevin is going to reach out to at least one of the aldermen that he work with on a regular basis.
  - c. When this new welfare officer is put in place, we should begin to think about how welfare office could look and behave differently, as this it is important that we provide a unified message when the chance arises.
  - d. Until this new commissioner is appointed, we will have to work around the CW office.

## **Ten Year Plan**

- I. Erin reached out to Tim Soucy and Anna Thomas about revisiting the ten year plan for Manchester. They are currently rereading the plan and will get back to us on what part they might play.
- II. Driving question of this meeting was how do we, as the MCoC, connect to the community plan. Suggestion was made that we read the neighborhood improvement plan, compare it with the consolidated plan and see what has changed, what does or doesn't fit anymore, and how we can market ourselves so that people know who we are or what we do.

### **Strategic Planning**

- I. Committee reviewed proposal.
- II. While we don't have enough money to actually use the proposal suggested, we can as a CoC, do some of the work ourselves
- III. David suggested that we create a survey.
  - a. We need to identify what we want to know/what our intentions of the survey might be.
  - b. Other questions include:
    - i. What can we do to bring more excitement to the CoC and make it a collaborative effort to work together as service providers ending homelessness?
    - ii. Why do you come to these meetings?
    - iii. Why does your organization participate?
    - iv. What's your position?
    - v. What time of day would be better for you to hold these meetings?
    - vi. What would make these meetings more interesting for you?
- IV. Committee agreed that ultimately, we want to identify how we can work together and provide a unified message to the community.

### **2:00 Meeting Concludes**

### **Minutes Prepared By**

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