

## Central CoC Governing Board Meeting

September 15, 2022

9:00 AM-10:30 AM

### Mission Statement

Central MN CoC is committed to building strong partnerships and being collaborative in our strategic planning efforts to improve our homeless response system. We strive to maximize access to funding and resources to assist in finding homes for all individuals and families who are at the greatest risk of being excluded from necessary services.

### Vision Statement

Central MN CoC envisions a community committed to racial equity in which everyone has a stable permanent home and the support and resources needed to maintain it.

### **In Attendance**

x Amy Carter	X Lori Gudim
x Amy Sidmore	x Matt Viney
x Bryan Newman	x Rachel Zetah
x Cathy Wogen	Tammy Moreland
Jennifer Walker	X Jenny Erdmann
X Kathy Sauve	X Tim Poland

### **Call to Order**

1. Welcome & Introductions All  
New board member, Jenney Erdmann!

### **Inspiration**

Volunteer Amy C Choices, chances, and changes! Gotta make choices, take chances to make changes.

### **Business**

1. Any additions to the Agenda or pull anything out of the Consent Agenda for discussion?  
No changes!
2. Approve Consent Agenda Amy Sidmore
  - a. September 15, 2022 Agenda
  - b. August 18, 2022 Board Meeting MinutesMotion to approve by Bryan N, Seconded by Lori G.
3. Approve People with Lived Expertise Policy Amy Carter/Tim Poland

Discussion on this at the full member meeting re stipends as well as explaining the involvement of mentors with the individuals with lived expertise coming on board. Length of time involved needs to be explored. Membership committee is continuing to work on fleshing these items out so as not to single them out. May need to be flexible with peoples' lives, moving on, etc. PLE? Do we need that acronym? We would never refer to them as the PLE! Maybe replace it with Consultant! Discussion on length of time they serve, 1yr. maybe 3yrs.? We need to be careful of Mentors being service providers for the Consultant, power issue. Maybe this should not be in this policy? Maybe need a policy on specific parameters of a Mentor?

Motion to approve by Cathy W, Seconded by Matt V. Bryan gave his AMEN! Vote, Approved!

4. Approve Supplying Letter of Commitment with HRAs Tim Poland  
This is interwoven with Sheltered/Unsheltered, HRA's can express interest in these vouchers, which Louise R has done that. Do not see a reason to not support this. This assists in moving people into stable housing. Louise said Stearns Co., Crow Wing Co. Will see how this develops. Funding for Emergency Vouchers are going away July 2023, no new one's issues after September 2023.  
Motion to approve by Jen E, Seconded by Cathy S. Vote, Approved!

### Discussion and Information

1. Coordinated Entry Coordinator Position Update Tim Poland  
Brenda Engelking is the new hire for this position. She already understands referral process. Coming from Place of Hope. She was the first CoC Coordinator Amy was involved with.
2. Special Called Full CoC Membership and Governing Board Meetings Tim Poland  
September 28<sup>th</sup> at 1pm Full Membership meeting to approve all the rankings, approvals of this for NOFO. Should be fairly quick.
3. HUD FY2022 Annual CoC NOFO Update Tim Poland  
Ranking and scoring part is done! YEAH! 18 apps total, sent out yesterday. Hoping for no appeals! There were new programs and a transitioning program. Came to a good consensus, process went well, data scoring, self-scoring, equity, funding, very good discussion. Planning application for CoC, and all the applications all due as a whole. Hoping for all programs to get funded, that is the goal. Most all is reasonably assured, Tier 1, Tier 2 this year. Bottom 5%, hold our breath for approval of funding. How has Covid affected, RRH has been impacted, giving money back due to this issue. There are landlords who deny housing to people with high barriers, that is an issue for RRH. FHPAP has given the ok to pay the \$300 for the start of the RRH process. Higher barriers are making it tougher. Evictions are happening at an alarming rate, but property owners are becoming less willing to absorb costs with damages to their properties for destruction. State-wide renters' insurance that pays for renovation of damages in a unit when someone vacates. Rachel said there is a bill that all landlords will be forced to take Section 8 vouchers, don't want to take on the problems of these tenants. Huge amount of evictions happening in 1 month 25% of a year's evictions. Turnover in all organizations has been huge with all positions regarding maintaining a sense of knowing the clientele and supporting them. On the Unsheltered/Rural – there is an ICA application request.
4. Committee Membership Discussion Amy Sidmore/Tim Poland  
We have several committee's who have lost all their members and are in fact not meeting. How new are the listing of these members list. CES Adv – Liz Y is not. Jenny E needs to be on that list. Brenda E will be on this. PIT Count -Jen W needs help on this. Membership – Kaytee attends when she can, Amy is asking Jesse Robin to attend. Racial C – JohnPaul is the chair, does not have time, Cathy W is the secretary. Youth – Amie K can't chair. Jen E has a Youth for this committee. CoC P&P Jen E on this, take We Care off. Cathy W is on this committee. Once we get this all cleaned up send an email out to all Chairs to ask how to proceed? HMIS/Data – Remove Jen F/Erin W, and add Jessica U. Perf/Ranking – adding Cindy L hopefully? Mostly concerned over PIT Ct, Racial E, Youth. Also, at the next meeting make the distinction between PIT Committee and the Leads who do the count in Jan. Tim will need a chair for CoC P&P Committee. Cathy W did you see the 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting? Also meeting tomorrow morning at 9a-10:30. Let JonPaul know this. How do we keep these running with membership attendance, chairs that are involved, etc. Tim will email the current listing with Chair's and ask what is needed.

5. Other

All

Any discussions? November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9am to 3pm at Rivers Edge for packaging event! There are 3 packaging events that day. Free school lunches and breakfasts have gone by the wayside, which is extremely disappointing. Food programs are available SNAP but income/asset limit was raised 200%. Bryan's opening was filled, new building has 40 units opening in April hoping! Maybe May.

**Adjourn: Motion by Cathy W, Seconded by Cathy S .  
Thanks everyone! See y'all on the 28<sup>th</sup>! Lori G**