

# WI BOS Board of Director's Meeting

July 6, 2021 at 1:00 pm  
GoTo Meeting Webinar



1. Lisa Haen called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm
2. Members Present: Kristina Bechtel, Mike Bonertz, Kim Cable, Hannah Conforti, Cheryl Detrick, David Eberbach, Michael Ethridge, Michelle Friedrich, Kathleen Fisher, Lisa Haen, Sara Krall, Casey Levrich, Jessica Locher, Jessica Neumann, Tara Prahl, Millie Rounsville, Wendy Schneider, Chandra Wakefield
3. Members Excused: Dana Baumgartner, Angela Friend, Jessica Mudgett, Ed Wilson
4. Members Unexcused: Randall Brown, Melisa Myers
5. Staff Present: Carrie Poser
6. Approval of Board meeting minutes of 6/1/2021 and Executive Committee meeting minutes of 6/17/2021– **VOTE**
  - a. Motion to approve the Board meeting minutes of 6/1/2021 and Executive Committee meeting minutes of 6/17/2021 by David Eberbach
  - b. Second made by Wendy Schneider
  - c. No further discussion
  - d. All in favor
  - e. Motion carries
7. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Financials – Kathleen Fisher presented the May 2021 Financials.
    - i. Motion to approve the May 2021 Financials by David Eberbach
    - ii. Second made by Jessica Neumann
    - iii. No further discussion
    - iv. All in favor
    - v. Motion carries

b. Membership Dues Assessment Proposal– Kathleen Fisher presented the Finance Committees Membership Dues Assessment Proposal.

- i. Motion: WISBOSCOC Board of Directors recommends that Annual Membership Dues will be assessed according to a Flat Rate by Cheryl Detrick
- ii. Second made by Kim Cable
- iii. Mike asked for a clarification if we were able to keep the current rate and vote on that before the other proposals are voted on. Kathleen states we can, but we need to think about other revenue sources. Jessica Neumann also asked if there is a length of time for the increased membership dues. Fees are assessed annual based on the budget and presented to board annually.
- iv. 11 in favor, 4 not in favor, 3 abstaining
- v. Motion carries
- vi. Motion: WISBOSCOC Board of Directors recommends that Annual Membership Dues will be assessed according to Option C by Cheryl Detrick
- vii. Second made by Lisa Haen
- viii. No further discussion
- ix. 9 in favor, 5 not in favor, 3 abstaining
- x. Motion carries

Board Member	Flat Rate	Option C
Wendy Schneider	Y	Y
Kristina Bechtel	Y	Y
Casey Levrich	Y	Y
Ed Wilson		
Tara Prael	Y	Y
Lisa Haen	Y	Y
Michael Ethridge	Y	Y
Chandra Wakefield	Y	Y
Cheryl Detrick	Y	Y
Millie Rounsville	N	N
Kathleen Fisher	A	A
Jessica Locher	Y	
Jessica Mudgett		
Michelle Friedrich	N	N
Hannah Conforti	Y	Y
Dana Baumgartner		
Jessica Neumann	N	N
Mike Bonertz	N	N
Sara Krall	A	A
David Eberbach	A	A
Melisa Myers		
Kim Cable	Y	N

- 8. HMIS Transition Update – David Eberbach reported things are progressing well, all custom data has been turned over to Clarity and is being tested. CE training is happening and being entered into the system; reports will be available soon.
- 9. Lived Experience Compensation Policy Task Force Update– Cheryl Detrick reported cash payments will be an issue. Need a 1099 for anything over \$600. Gift cards to stores would be okay but Visa gift cards would be questionable. Will have a recommendation at the next board meeting.
- 10. Approval of Brown County Local Coalition Director – Received an application from Brown County for Sara Williams to be a WIBOSCOC Board Director
  - a. Motion to approve the application of Sara Williams as WIBOSCOC Board of Director representing Brown County by Mike Bonertz
  - b. Second made by Kathleen Fisher
  - c. No further discussion
  - d. All in favor with Cheryl Detrick abstained
  - e. Motion carries
- 11. YAB Request– Funding for Youth Membership – Jessica Locher
  - a. Kathleen stated there is \$1,200 in the budget for YAB participation.
  - b. Cheryl Detrick also has an envelope full of gift cards for YAB.
- 12. Chair Report – Lisa Haen
  - a. Strategic Plan Update – Will start working on Question 2 in September/October board meetings.
  - b. Committees Update – Jessica Locher will be joining the Public Awareness committee and co-chairing with Michael Etheridge. Mike Bonertz will be chairing the Nomination committee and Tara Prael will be joining it.

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- c. Board Attendance Policy – Lisa presented the draft Board Attendance Policy that she worked on based on comments she received from the board.
  - i. Motion to approve the Board Attendance Policy by Kathleen Fisher
  - ii. Second made by Kim Cable
  - iii. No further discussion
  - iv. All in favor
  - v. Motion carries
- d. Board Officer Succession Plan – Lisa presented the Board Officer Succession Plan created by the Nominating committee.
  - i. Motion to approve the Board Officer Succession Plan by Kristina Bechtel
  - ii. Second made by Kathleen Fisher
  - iii. No further discussion
  - iv. All in favor
  - v. Motion carries

### 13. Director Update – Carrie Poser

#### DHS

- Reminder about the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, 9:00 – 10:30, DHS Homeless Service Provider Forum. Please make sure you are sending out reminders and encouraging folks to attend. The facilitators really want to address issues and concerns from the “ground.”

#### Interagency Council

- Last council meeting as June 23<sup>rd</sup>
- I spoke about the youth demonstration grant and EHV voucher update.
- I also spoke about the impact that heat and sun have on the homeless population, the need for greater seasonal attention, access to water, bathrooms & sunscreen.

#### CoC Competition

- Project Scoring Tool draft: later in the agenda
- Submitted GIW, no changes
- Rumor is mid/end of July as a NOFA release

#### Trainings

- Working with Vivent Health staff to line up speakers and content in November around LGBTQ issues and education.
- Shawn Smith Trainings – a lot of space available, want to make sure we are reaching out to county and city staff, schools, and other non-traditional community providers. It is open to anyone.
  - Trauma Resilience 7/8 (1), 7/22 (38), 7.29 (31)
  - MI 7/28 & 8/4 (23), 8/13 & 8/20 (29), 8/25 & 9/1 (42)

#### Board

- Board match: online link now available for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. This is April – June 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### Grants

SSO CE grant ended 6/30/21. APR due in September. Auto-renewed (FY2020). Have all signed contracts & I have countersigned all of them and sent back to Leigh. We will be ready for reimbursement requests on time for the 21-22 grant year 12

- a. Grants Progress Report – Carrie shared report
- b. Emergency Housing Vouchers Update

As of today:

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- Signed & executed MOU with WHEDA (343) and Brown County PHA (35)
- Still negotiating with Portage PHA (15)
- Today, received info from Kenosha (24)
- Have not received any further information from Sauk (15)

Communication has been sent out to all CoC funded agencies & Brown county CoC funded agencies regarding WHEDA and Brown PHA process.

There is link for the SSO to list the referrals. It is secured and shared between the SSO staff, Ryan & myself only.

CoC Funded agencies should be using the move on assessment, completing the ROI and working on the PHA paperwork for clients ASAP.

c. Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Update

Application deadline is July 27<sup>th</sup>.

We have hosted 3 webinars and had 3 different homework assignments.

At this point 20 of 21 coalitions wish to participate. Depending on who follows through on the homework assignments, the final application may cover less.

I have met with:

- ICA and Dane CoC (also applying) for a joint data request.
- DHS & the Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Board director on collaboration efforts.

Leigh & I met with:

- DPI staff
- DCF staff including the independent living program, juvenile justice, RHYP, and other youth services staff
- CW Solutions regarding their PATHS grant

Cheryl and I have meeting scheduled later this week to address the revamping of the Youth Action Board and Youth Provider Committee.

14. COC Project Scoring Tool – Carrie Poser went over the proposed 2021 COC Project Scoring Tool. Only received comments from 9 directors.

- Motion to approve the 2021 COC Project Scoring Tool pending email vote on Section 1(5) by Kim Cable
- Second made by Kristina Bechtel
- No further discussion
- All in favor with David Eberbach abstained
- Motion carries

15. HAP Grant Results– Carrie Poser

\$175,000. Project funds: \$157,500.

Received 24 applications (12 agencies)

Funded: 8 projects (7 agencies)

a. ADVOCAP FDL RRH	14,791	81.58%
b. Couleecap PSH 1	25,000	92.11%
c. Couleecap PSH 2	25,000	85.05%
d. CWCAC RRH	25,000	89.47%
e. House of Hope RRH	3,568	78.42%
f. LSS RRH	14,141	80.35%
g. Western Dairyland PSH	25,000	88.25%

\*did not get all request

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h. CACSCW TH 25,000 81.05%  
*Next would have been 78.07%*

16. August Meeting – Carrie Poser

- a. On **Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>**, we will be hosting the University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension office staff's training "Encouraging Financial Conversations." This program is designed specifically for case managers, social workers, and other frontline staff to help empower clients to achieve their financial goals and manage their money. Attendees will learn techniques and strategies to help their clients create a financial goals action plan, build and maintain good credit, pay off debts, develop a spending and savings plan, and protect themselves from fraud and identity theft. Attendees will also learn coaching strategies that capitalize on a client's strengths and resources in coming up with solutions.
  - i. The training will be from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm and provided virtually.
  - ii. The training will not be recorded. Registration will be done through EVENTBRITE. **SAVE THE DATE! The link should be available soon.**
  - iii. Because the UW-Madison Extension staff will be customizing the training based on registration, the registration for this training will be early than in previous trainings. The deadline to register is **July 15, 2021**. After that, there will be an additional \$25 registration fee added.
  - iv. The cost for the training is \$25/person (plus the Eventbrite registration cost). If you wish to register 5 or more people at a time, please use EVENTBRITE and select CHECK option for a discounted price of \$20/person (plus the Eventbrite registration cost). I have attached the Training Flyer (EFC FLYER) & the agenda.
  - v. No later than August 1<sup>st</sup>, registrants will receive the GO TO WEBINAR link for the training. Each participant will need to register for go-to-webinar. This is separate from the EVENTBRITE process.
- b. On **Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**, we will have the August quarterly Balance of State meeting conducted virtually. Registration & draft agenda are posted on website.
  - i. Added partner updates from: DHS, Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Board, DEHCR staff, and Mike Basford

17. Public Policy Report – Carrie Poser

**FEDERAL**

As part of the National Alliance to End Homelessness Virtual Capitol Hill Day (June 16<sup>th</sup>), I had the opportunity to speak with staff from Senator Baldwin's office along with other Wisconsin advocates. I shared with her the same thing I shared at the Interagency Council meeting - the fundamental lack of space for people to live is reaching a tipping point. All the vouchers in the world do not create apartments. And without significant investment in places for people to live and a change in the rules that allow landlords to deny because the household is on assistance (has a voucher), homeless service providers can only do so much.

**STATE**

Pending decision by Governor on budget

18. Committee Reports (Time permitting)

- a. Discharge Planning – Jessica reported making progress on the discharge planning tool and think developing a policy on using a discharge planning tool; will something for the board in August for discussion at an upcoming quarterly meeting.

19. No other business reported

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20. The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm.
- a. Motion to adjourn made by David Eberbach
  - b. Second made by Kristina Bechtel
  - c. No further discussion
  - d. All in favor
  - e. Motion Carries

Next Meeting August 3, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Locher, Secretary