

Hello,

Just a friendly reminder that the next ESN meeting is Tuesday, May 11th, at 8:30 a.m. via Zoom video call. Call information here

Agenda

- Welcome and introductions.
- Minutes from April meeting
- Rental Assistance Update
- Committee reports & updates:
 1. Homeless Awareness & Prevention Partnership Committee.
 2. Hunger Prevention Council.
 3. Legislative Committee.
 4. Energy Assistance Committee.
 5. Public Relations Committee.
 6. BOS/COC update.
- Agency sharing.
- Adjourn.

Byron Wright
5517 16th Avenue
Kenosha, WI 53140
262-652-1858
lbwright53@gmail.com

Karl Erickson, Executive Director
ELCA Outreach Center
6218 26th Avenue
Kenosha, WI 53143
262-652-5545
Kerickson@ELCAoutreachcenter.org

Topic: May 2021 ESN Meeting
Time: May 11, 2021 08:30 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2626525545?pwd=T3BEVjMxdzJzQU90MHlxVFV3OVlqdz09>

Meeting ID: 262 652 5545
Passcode: 7GMuHa
One tap mobile
+13017158592,,2626525545#,,,,*340820# US (Washington DC)
+13126266799,,2626525545#,,,,*340820# US (Chicago)

Dial by your location
+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)
+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)
+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

Meeting ID: 262 652 5545
Passcode: 340820
Find your local number:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbgoxnYVFW>



Emergency Services Network of Kenosha County

Meeting Minutes of Zoom Meeting

March 9, 2021

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Agency</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Agency</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Karl Erickson | ELCA Outreach Center | Cyndi Zarletti-Lee | Kenosha Housing Authority |
| Byron Wright | Public | Sherri Dabbs | Goodwill Industries/DWD |
| Nicole Thomsen | One Hope | Laurie McDonald | United Way Kenosha County |
| Pam Halbach | Community Action Agency | Veronica Judon | KHDS |
| Karen Kempinen | CUSH | Elizabeth Stinebaugh | Legal Action of WI |
| Abby Fuller | Familia Dental | Dustin Feeney | Kenosha County Child Support |
| Tamarra Coleman | Shalom Center | Marty Howard | Kenosha Police Department |
| Lisa Haen | KHDS | Meredith McCoy | BOS |
| Angie Volm | WCH | Lisa Sanders | Shalom Center |
| Yolanda Pena | UW Extension | Sharon Pomaville | The Sharing Center |
| Nicole Leipski | UW Extension | Kimm Peters | Kenosha County DWD |
| Nicole Boyer | Kenosha County DWD | Lori Hawkins | CUSH, Community Organizer |
| Molly Calderon | UMOS | Jennifer Blasi | Kenosha County Veterans |
| Sandra Szabo | MHS Health Wisconsin | Sean Merchant | TLS Veterans |
| Marie Lewis | Salvation Army | Sara Helminger | KUSD |
| Sarah Kaminski | EQUUS – W2 | Andrea Scheuermann | Shalom Center |
| Wendy Cross | Shalom Center | Mario Zuniga | Familia Dental |
| Allysa Vucenic | ADRC | Amy Macemon | UW Extension |
| Sandy Langel | The Sharing Center | Sue Roknic | KHDS |
| Ashlee Zubec | WCH | | |

Welcome & Introductions

The meeting via Zoom was called to order at 8:32 a.m. by Byron Wright. Byron welcomed everyone and went through roll call.

Minutes

A motion was made by Sharon P. and seconded by Pam H. to approve the minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Presentation – Point In Time

Veronica J. let the group know that Carrie Poser, Director of the Balance of State came and made a presentation and presented data to show how we are doing here in Kenosha. Additionally, she provided information comparing a variety of data from 2019 and 2020, including shelter demographics, movement in shelter, people served, coordinated entry data, etc. Carrie also discussed the rapid rehousing information for Kenosha and also information on how to view our systems from various aspects. Kenosha's 2021 point in time information will be provided to the group shortly.

The ESN Meeting was temporarily adjourned to adjourn the quarterly meeting of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program.

Byron called the meeting of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program to order. Lisa H. reported that for Phase 38, the agencies receiving funding have completed their LRO certifications and have received their first payments. A plan for monitoring will be discussed over the next few months as this is a requirement for funding.

There being no further business of the EFSP, Sharon P. made a motion to adjourn, Tamarra C. seconded, all were in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

EHH Update

Lisa reported that although we still do not have much information, every year the ESN needs to vote on a lead agency. A motion was made by Pam H. and seconded by Sharon P. to make KHDS the lead agency. All were in favor, motion carried.

Money being received by Kenosha City – Home Funds

Byron mentioned that Kenosha will be receiving \$2M in funds for affordable housing. He is suggesting the housing committee get together to discuss what they would like to see done with that money and then connect with those at the city level to voice what is really needed by our consumers. Lisa also mentioned it may be interesting to find out what other communities are doing with these funds. She will send out something to gain some information regarding this.

Committee Reports

Homeless Awareness & Prevention Partnership/Centralized and Coordinated Assessment Committee

Veronica J. reported the committee did not meet, instead took part in the presentation by Carrie Poser on the March 16 meeting date. The next meeting is April 20.

Hunger Prevention

Committee did not meet. Amy Macemon will be sending out a notice to those who were interested in sitting on this committee.

Legislative Committee

Did not meet.

Energy Assistance Committee

Did not meet.

Public Relations Committee

Sherri D. reported the committee met on March 31. An invite was created to expand this group a bit to consumers as well as other agencies and partners. This invite went to Karl to review, once finalized this will be sent to the ESN members to invite others to become part of this group. Also, the MOU that we currently use is quite old and therefore before 2022, the MOU will be reviewed and revised to better reflect the needs of this group. Additionally, we will be updating the brochure. It has been a while since this has been done and our committee felt we should have some type of information source. Sharon P. mentioned she has the Word version of the last version of the brochure if it would be helpful and will send it to Sherri D. Tamarra C. then mentioned that she has some business cards that have ESN information and the 2-1-1 information on them that she thought would be good for the PR committee to distribute. Tamarra will get them to Sherri. Cyndi Z. made a motion to approve the report, Sharon P. seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

BOS/COC Update

Lisa H. told the group there are a few major changes. The first is as of March 31, ended our access to SharePoint and have been going through a transition ever since. The go live data was supposed to be April 15, but may be later since a lot of data had to be entered manually. Coordinated entry will more than likely not be up and running until August. Lisa then reported that they have done two elections and she officially accepted the position of chair.

Agency Sharing

- Tamarra C. let the group know that there was an opportunity to do head shots for non-profits. \$30 fee. Please complete the google poll and she will get this arranged and dates sent out.
- Karl E. indicated that the summer camp will be moving forward at Brass. If you know of any teens or college students who would be interested in a part-time summer job have them visit the ELCA website, it would be a seven week commitment.
- Laurie mentioned the virtual community resource fair series that started in January continues. The fourth one is today and is focused on financial resources and budgeting. This is a great way to stay connected to the community and these fairs are available after the fact if you are unable to make it on the actual day. May's topic is *addiction recovery is possible*.
- Sharon P. let the group know that she has been chairing the Criminalization of Homelessness committee. There was a suggestion that came out of this committee that a quarterly report be provided to the Human Service committee. This will be done through the HAP committee.
- Abby from Familia Dental reminded the group about the community baby shower at YMCA, Sunday, May 16, 1-3 p.m. They will have speakers, will be raffling off car seats. If you want to put flyers in the bags that are handed out just get the flyers to Abby. They will be giving away diapers and other items. A flyer will be forthcoming.
- Sean Merchant indicated the agency he is affiliated with has undergone a name change. They are now Veterans Path to Hope (formerly TLS Veterans). Since 1996, Veterans Path to Hope has been in the Northern Counties of Illinois and we needed to recalibrate since we outgrew the transitional living services originally out of Hebron, IL. We have a wealth of other services such as clothing, food, and also provides grants to provide housing, rent, etc. Many other services are also available to the veteranspathtohope.org is the website and the new phone number (815) 321-HOPE
- Molly from UMOS indicated they have a drive-thru event at the Job Center on April 30. If you have information you would like in the packets please let Molly know.

A motion was made to adjourn, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

The next meeting will be May 11, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. via zoom.

Respectfully submitted,



ESN Secretary