

BOS Central Quarterly Meeting September 13, 2023

10:00 am Via Zoom

Meeting Notes

1. Welcome / Attendance- 13 in attendance
 - a. Roxane Grossbier, Amanda Lavigne, Jane Gaffney (Renewal Unlimited, Inc.), Wendy Schneider, Jacob Johnson, Kati Fry, Ashley Torres, Matricia Patterson Tiffany Schepp (Central WI Community Action Council, Inc.) Stephanie Van Hulst (ICA), Angie Braddock (River Haven Homeless Shelter) Holly Sieren (WIBOSCO), Whitney Ninedorf (Hope House)
2. Approval of Meeting Notes from June 21, 2023- Jacob J. made a motion to accept the minutes as written / Amanda L. 2nd-Motion PASSED
3. After Hours Plan: Upon review of Central's After Hours Plan by the Coordinated Entry Implementation Team, it was suggested we needed to assure clients could contact a No-Wrong Door agency the next business day. The following was added to the first paragraph: and ensure households are able to connect with agencies on the next business day to ensure prompt assistance referring them to the Coordinated Entry System. Jacob J. moved and Jane G. seconded to add this line to the first paragraph of our After Hours Plan. Motion passed.
4. Coordinated Entry Specialist – Jane G. discussed Case Conferencing Meetings and their importance. This is an opportunity to have multiple agencies involved in discussing mutual client's barriers in a confidential manner. Jane will send a link to the next meeting on Thursday, September 14 at 3 pm. If you have questions, please contact Jane.
5. Vote for Central Representative to the Balance of State Board of Directors. Wendy S. has been our representative and would be interested in another term. Roxane G. moved to nominate Wendy in this continuing role. Those in attendance were asked if anyone else was interested and this was sent out with our agenda alerting the Central CoC of this opportunity. No others indicated interest. Jacob J. moved to close nominations and Olivia seconded this motion. Motion passed for Wendy to continue for another term of three years.
6. Discussion on Diversity Training from our June meeting. Including those involved in discussions is very helpful and informative. Input means more and ideas are shared that help meet everyone's needs. We will continue to look at our numbers and work toward promoting Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Homeless Services.
7. Affordable Housing – Increasing affordable housing supply – reforming zoning and land use policies; reducing regulatory barriers to development. What is being done?

Activities in Sauk and Juneau counties will be put on the plan. Baraboo Commons is working toward more affordable housing. There is a housing development behind Renewal in Portage. Roxane will consult with them to see if they have any affordable housing. Cambrian Commons apartments by CWCAC in the Dells has affordable apartments. Our progress report is due September 15. If you know of more going on, please let Wendy know at wendys@cwcac.org.

8. Wendy Schneider- PIT count was July 26 in the evening. Thirteen homeless were identified that night and in the following days. Wendy Losacker coordinated a Homeless Connect picnic for Thursday, July 27 and people were identified at this event and placed on the Priority List. Thank you to all who helped.
9. Stephanie Van Hulst from ICA shared Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) updates. A required data standards training will be on September 26. It will be recorded, but is required to keep Clarity license. Changes are coming, so plan to attend. The link will be sent in an e-mail.
10. Other Business: Link to the Racial Disparity report is:
<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/54ca7491e4b000c4d5583d9c/t/6332014ae589386b3c234535/1664221515141/BOS+Racial+Disparities+Reports+2022.pdf>
11. Motion to adjourn made by Jane, 2nd by Jacob- Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Next meeting December, 2023