**Rural North COC for the Homeless**

**Minutes of October 13, 2021 Meeting**

Members present: D. Bremer, S. Izak, S. Smith, S. Feidt, S. Clark, S. Skinner, J. Mudgett, C. Levrich,

P, Hibbard, M. Bashford, C. Hanson

Meeting called to order at 10:30a.m.

Duana:

* Do we want to make any changes to the ByLaws?? Suggest a committee to review. Sandy volunteers, need at least one more.
* Chair position: it is a 2 yr position and Duana has served 2 years. Her plans are to retire sometime during the next 15 months. The hope is that someone will show interest in becoming Chair.
* Current positions: Sandy is the COC delegate for the Balance of State, Connie is the Secretary and Casey volunteers to accept the position of Non-SA representative

Stacey’s Update:

* Prioritization list: 29 on the singles list, Waukesha is at the top of the list, Rural North has

 1 in the top 5. Families list currently is at 7, longest on the list is 22 days

* Knowing our landlords is our biggest asset in meeting the goal of moving people off the lists quickly.
* Sandy has the highest success rate
* COC has struggled but is doing better.

Misc:

* The Tribe just opened a new shelter in Sawyer Co.
* New Barron Co shelter moving slower than anticipated
* New shelter in Taylor Co is also taking longer to open than expected
* Make sure to post “no Closed Doors” in appropriate public places. Stacey puts them up everywhere homeless may frequent: gas stations, laundromats, etc.

Action Plan: Areas that Rural North has identified to work on to achieve improvement. In May we

will be asked to report on progress. These areas are:

* Coordination
* Coordinated Entry
* Public Housing Authorities

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30, Next meeting to be held December 8th, 10:30.