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Continuum of Care Board of Directors Meeting

Leilah Powell, Board President

Prospera
3419 Nacogdoches Road
San Antonio, TX 78217

February 27, 2020
3:00 – 5:00 PM

1. Call to Order- 3:12pm

- 2. Present:** Leilah Powell, Lori Stinson, Meghan Garza, Melody Woosley, Jo Estrada, Bobby Blanton proxy for William McManus via conference, Leslie Komet Ausburn via conference, Greg Matula, Annie Erickson via conference, Craig Hopkins, Greg Zlotnick via conference, Roy Fletcher proxy for Javier Salazar via conference

Guests: Katherine Dillard Gonzalez, Gary Chance, Richard Keith, Christine Nguyen, Mike Lindsay, Kameron Rhys

Absent: Salena Santibáñez, Tammye Trevino, Estella Garza

3. Public Comment: Status of Poverty Report Update – Richard Keith

Richard Keith of the City of San Antonio presented on the 2019 Poverty Report. Affordable housing, food insecurity and homelessness continues to be a focal point of need in the community. Nearly 20% of San Antonio residents are living in poverty. Cross sections of gender, race and education were evaluated to identify a targeted response. In 2019 the City of San Antonio invested \$454 million dollars in support

4. Amendments to December Board of Director minutes:

Executive Director Evaluation Discussion & Proposed Compensation (Executive Session): passed
Board President Election (Executive Session): passed

5. Kickoff <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ip3k0Rajl8&feature=youtu.be>

SARAH NONPROFIT BUSINESS

6. Board Member Recognition: Leslie Komet-Ausburn and Greg Matula

7. Consent Items 📎

- December Financial Reports
- Minutes from December 19, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting

Motion Meghan Second Lori Abstain _____ Passed yes

8. SARAH 2020 Budget with Revisions – Richard Huron



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9. Approval of Healthcare Board of Director Seat – Phil Beckett 

Motion Jo Second Meghan Abstain _____ Passed yes

10. Greg Matula Board Seat Re-Election

Motion Lori Second Meghan Abstain _____ Passed yes

11. Estella Garza Board Seat Re-Election

Motion Lori Second Meghan Abstain _____ Passed yes

12. Leslie Komet Board Seat Re-Election

Motion Greg Second Jo Abstain _____ Passed yes

13. Executive Director Report – Brenda Mascorro

Updates:

- Rebrand update; Brenda to meet with Cruz & Kitchens to continue work.
- PIT Volunteer Survey Results: 83 responses were received main challenges were: not enough time to count, too many teams downtown, and not enough goody bags.
- Meadows Foundation Panel presentation-meeting with Rebecca Brune in March, Board topics to include investments made in San Antonio for mental health, homelessness, social services, children and youth
- SARAH is looking at the implications and benefits involved with becoming a Unified Funding Agency (UFA) Internal Review to occur in order to decide if this is a goal for SARAH in the future.

Presentations and Outreach: SA to DC, National Coalition for Homeless Veterans, At What Price? The Hidden Costs of Housing in Texas

14. Board Retreat Update – Leilah Powell 

- 2017 – 2019 Strategic Plan Goals Update; progress was discussed; to date, SARAH has achieved five of seven identified goals with the remaining two in progress. It was discussed that the remaining two, Assess Community Needs and Prevent Homelessness will always be a work in progress as the target population changes

CONTINUUM OF CARE BUSINESS

15. Membership Council Report – Katie Vela

SA Hope Center -Approved Membership Council Application 

Motion Meghan Second Jo Abstain _____ Passed yes



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16. Youth Action Board (YAB) Report – Kameron Rhys & Salena Santibáñez

Kameron Rhys discussed the Youth Action Board goals; to have a voting seat on the Board, increase volunteer participation, expand meeting places, amendment for Rapid Rehousing to include roommates, more youth to be accepted in PSH, at least one YAB member at each SARAH meeting, and to redefine their bylaws. Kameron also expressed his gratitude for Leilah Powell's participation

17. Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Progress Update - Katie Vela 

Katie Vela presented on updates to the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program, citing that the Youth Action Board agrees with the YHDP action plan. The plan outlines the community wide programs the grant would fund including supportive services for engagement, mobile outreach, diversion, drop-in centers, an improved Coordinated Entry System, Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing, Transitional Housing for youth ages 17-24.

18. Governance By-Laws Discussion Updates – Leilah Powell & Brenda Mascorro

Discussions were held on the possible action on Youth Action Board (YAB) Seat, is this seat assigned to an individual or is it open to a floating Youth Action Board Representative? Also discussed were possible new seats on the Board of Directors for previously unrepresented categories such as Tourism, Ageing and other possible At-Large designations. Membership Council Voting Seats was a topic of discussion as well and a brief history of its previous existence and the removal of the voting seat in the past to avoid any possible conflicts of interest. These possible conflicts of interest have been resolved and there was a movement toward allowing the vote in future Membership Council meetings. Proposed terms were also discussed for the Board, it was brought up that shortening the terms could possible generate new ideas and community voices.

19. Continuum of Care Grantee & Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) Update – Katie Vela

Katie Vela shared with the Board that the CoC NOFA Tier 1 Funding has been announced and San Antonio/Bexar County CoC's Annual Renewal Demand increased to \$9.3 million. SARAH has been in communication with CHCS and the local HUD office on releasing CHCS funding back to the community and holding a separate Notice of Funding Availability to keep awarded funding in the community. Board approval is requested to move forward.

20. Approval of Continuum of Care Grantee Transfer Policy 

Motion Meghan Second Lori Abstain Passed yes

21. Presentation from ICF – Mike Lindsay & Christine Nguyen

Mike Lindsay and Christine Nguyen shared a presentation and their thoughts on local progress. Noted achievements in the areas of HMIS/SARAH relationships and governance structure. Mike went on to say that progress made over the last eighteen months was the most he has ever seen. In Nashville TN, our CoC was cited as an example of best practice. He advised to keep our focus on monitoring and data while maintaining our current structure. Mike recommended an annual assessment of structure and monitoring, and a well-documented process.

22. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Advisory Committee Report – Meghan Oswald

- Committee Survey Responses



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23. Approve HMIS Data Quality Plan 

Motion Meghan Second Greg Abstain _____ Passed yes

24. Approve HMIS Policies & Procedures 

Motion Leilah Second Lori Abstain _____ Passed yes

25. Approve HMIS Lead Monitoring Tool 

Motion Leilah Second Meghan Abstain _____ Passed yes

26. Approve HMIS Vendor Monitoring Tool 

Motion Leilah Second Meghan Abstain _____ Passed yes

27. Coordinated Entry (CE) Advisory Committee Report-

Updates in next meeting due to time

28. Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Committee Report

Updates in next meeting due to time

29. Upcoming SARAH Meetings and Events

Next CoC Board Meeting	Next CoC Membership Council Meeting
April 16, 2020 3:00 – 5:00 PM Chamber of Commerce, NBC 1100 NW Loop 410, Suite 109	March 26, 2020 2:30 – 4:00 Haven for Hope

Committee Meetings & Working Groups

Title	Point of Contact	Event Details
Youth Homelessness Workgroup	Tyler Shosmith, North East Independent School District tshoes@neisd.net	March 20, 2020 9:30 – 10:30AM SARAH Conference Room 4100 E. Piedras Drive, Suite 105
Veteran Workgroup	Marc Wonder, City of San Antonio Department of Human Services Marc.Wonder@sanantonio.gov	March 4, 2020 & March 18, 2020 1:00 – 4:00PM Veteran’s Outreach Transition Ctr. 202 Connelly St.
Chronic Homelessness Workgroup	Morjorie White, City of San Antonio Department of	March 13, 2020 2:00 – 3:00PM Location TBD



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	Human Services Morjorie.White@sanantonio.gov	
Housing Strategies Workgroup	Joel Tabar, San Antonio Housing Authority Joel_Tabar@saha.org	March 3, 2020 11:00 – 12:00PM Location TBD
Family Homelessness Workgroup	Erica Martinez, Endeavors Emartinez@endeavors.org	March 17, 2020 3:30 – 4:30PM Fairweather Family Lodge 7500 US Hwy 90 W. Bldg. 3
HMIS Advisory Committee	Alyssa Gooch AlyssaGooch@SARAHomeless.org	March 25, 2020 10:30 – 12:00PM SARAH Conference Room 4100 E. Piedras Drive, Suite 105
Coordinated Entry Committee	Marcos Carmona MarcosCarmona@SARAHomeless.org	March 4, 2020 10:30 – 12:00PM SARAH Conference Room 4100 E. Piedras Drive, Suite 105
Point-in-Time Count Committee	Chelsey Viger ChelseyViger@SARAHomeless.org	March 12, 2020 10:00 – 11:00 SARAH Conference Room 4100 E. Piedras Drive, Suite 105
Youth Action Board	Marcos Carmona MarcosCarmona@SARAHomeless.org	TBD

30. Topics for April Board Meeting

- Vice President Election/Re-Election
- Sign Conflict of Interest Forms
- Mission Statement
- Update on Strategic Plan
- Voting Seat for YAB

31. Announcements and Open Discussion (time permitting)

- San Antonio Housing Summit – May 12th (date corrected)

32. Adjournment