

# Michigan Balance of State Continuum of Care

November 14, 2019

Meeting Minutes

## In-Person Members

None

## In-Person Non-Member

Christina Soulard; Jesica Vail; Lindsay Westin

## Call-In Members

Theresa Beesley; Jim Johnson; Pat Niksich; Lisa Schmierer; Ruth Burhop; *Lori Pieri-Vice Chair*; Dave Ransom; Laura Heintzelman; *Chair - Tina Allen*; Adam Traviss; Kelcey Lilley; Father Tom Anderson; *Secretary-Christa Jerome*; Jennifer Rodgers; Eva Rohlman; Doug Lewis; Donna St. John; Alex Miller; Rebecca Zemla; Melinda Johnson; Angila Heinitz; Emily Cornwell; *Treasurer-Denise Cornelius*.

## Call-In Non-Members

Aubri Anderson; Jason Parks; Julee Laurent; Pam Elise; Tina Baross; Victoria Purvis; Gerry Leslie; Rebecca Tallegrio; Daniel Stowe; Greg Johnson; Rich Holstrom; Cathy Gordon; Grace Ronkaitis; Cathy Gordon; Lynn Nee; Nicole Jones; Rachel Pung; Robin Hoffenblum; Michael Morrison.

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## Welcome and Introduction

Meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.; Tina Allen welcomed all attendees.

## Review/Approve Agenda

Tina asked if there were additions or comments to the November 2019 Agenda. *There were no objections or concerns noted – consensus recorded for the November 2019 Agenda.*

## Review/Approve Minutes

October minutes review/approval is tabled until December 2019 meeting.

## FY2020 Point In Time Count Preparation Presentation ~ Vail, Allen, Purvis

- The presentation provided information regarding the Point In Time (PIT) Count that is taking place on January 29, 2020. The PIT is a count of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness on a single night in January. The last Wednesday of January was chosen by HUD when the PIT began in 2005 and stays that date so the numbers can be compared from year to year. This is an effort from the national level and cannot be changed in Michigan. Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (MCAH) leads the technical (HMIS) aspects and will have future guidance and training on recording data. Communities (LPBs) are responsible for the actual counting of people experiencing homelessness on the streets, in shelter, and any places not meant for permanent human habitation (campers, tents, in unsafe living conditions, etc.). A copy of the presentation slides and a voice recording are available on the [www.miboscoc.com](http://www.miboscoc.com) website.

## Coordinated Entry Committee Report ~ Rohlman

- The Balance of State has been asked to participate in a HUD Coordinated Entry Community of Practice. The Community of Practice Plan is in its final stages and will be presented soon.

## Finance Committee Report ~ Cornelius

- FY2017 Planning Grant has been fully spent.
- FY2018 Planning Grant is underway. Homeless Summit Stipend Documentation needs to be submitted for reimbursement.

#### **Performance and Outcomes Committee ~ Ransom**

- Dave Ransom is the new Committee Chairperson.
- The Committee will be looking at System Performance Measures, specifically numbers 1, 1b & 7 – regarding Length of Time and Point(s) of Entry.
- Updating Quarterly Reports for the HUD CoC Programs.

#### **Membership and Nominating ~ Jerome**

- The Coordinator and Committee Chair will be meeting to discuss a process for tracking attendance and identifying Local Planning Bodies that may have an identified Council Member but has not had consistent attendance. It is important for the Representative to be present in order to share information at the local level.

#### **Contractual Oversight Committee ~ Cornelius**

- The MOU between MCAH and MSHDA needs to be reviewed completed.

#### **HUD CoC Application and Evaluation Committee ~ Pieri**

- This Committee work has slowed down and will start preparing for next year's application process in the Spring.

#### **Vulnerable Populations Committee ~**

- Youth Committee (Chair – Cindy Arneson) – Work is winding down on the 100 Day Challenge.
- Domestic Violence Committee (Chair – TBA) – the Committee is looking for a chairperson.
- Veterans Committee (Chair – Carly Huffman) – Next meeting is November 26 and has been working towards the data quality of bed coverage nights and getting VASH Vouchers counted in HMIS.

#### **Coordinator Update ~ Vail**

- Tina welcomed Jessica Vail as the new Coordinator for the MIBOSCOC.
- Information is being compiled regarding the World Café Activity that occurred during the October 1 face-to-face meeting and will be shared during an upcoming meeting.
- Executive Committee members have agreed to sit on a discussion panel of a potential Upper Peninsula merger.

#### **Public Comment/Announcements**

- No public comments noted

The next Governance Council Meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2019 at 10:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 am.

Submitted December 6, 2019: Christa Jerome, MIBOSCOC Secretary