

# Michigan Balance of State Continuum of Care

September 10, 2020

## Meeting Minutes

### **Members Present**

Theresa Beesley; *Vice Chair – Lori Pieri*; Dave Ransom; Laura Heintzeman; *Chair - Tina Allen*; *Secretary – Christa Jerome*; Diana Hanna; Past Chair – Eric Hufnagel; Lynn Hendges; Angelia Heinitz; Clint Brugger; Rebecca Zemla; Ashley Halladay-Schmandt; Hannelore Dysinger; Jim Johnson; Kim Cain; Ruth Burhop; .

### **Non-Members Present**

*Coordinator - Jesica Mays*; Angie Meztger; Jen Leaf; Christina Soulard; Hadlee Robinson; Rebecca Tallarigo; Valerie Hoffman; Wendy Johnson; Carrie Nyenhuis; K'Quiana Griffin-Knowling; Tina Robbins; Durand Dean; Kris Brady; Toni Newell; Tina Baross; Jason Weller; Sharon Maki; Bill Jessup; Greg Johnson; Rachel Pung; Ryan Redmond; Robin Greiner; Beth Brunelli; Christie Harry; Beverly Ebersold; Dawn Ritter; Gerry Leslie; Jenni Caverson; Kim Stuhler; Lynn Nee; Rachel Burdette-Comer; Rochelle Clemens-Ludtke; Stephanie Oles; Thomas Hardy; Tim Beimers; Allison Greene; Amanda Bergeron.

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### **Welcome and Introduction**

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.; Tina Allen welcomed all attendees.

### **Review/Approve Agenda**

Tina asked if there were additions or comments to the September 2020 Agenda. *There were no objections or concerns noted – consensus recorded for the September 2020 Agenda.*

### **Review/Approve Minutes**

Tina asked if there were additions or comments to the August 2020 meeting minutes. *There were no objections or concerns noted – consensus recorded for the August 2020 minutes.*

### **BoS Governance and LPBs Part II ~ Mays**

Jesica provided further information on how Local Planning Bodies fit into the MIBOSCoC. She provided a brief recap from the August Meeting Presentation which included: »1. Ensuring that all work directly leads to ending homelessness; »2. Moving LPB Section to the Committee Section within the Governance Charter; »3. Planning can be done at the BoS which will provide more time to end homelessness at the local level; »4. BoS is governed with the consensus model and membership is broad. The MIBOSCoC view local planning bodies as a committee of Balance of State, so each Local Planning Body can use/submit the MIBOSCoC Governance Charter as their By-Laws because each Local Planning Body is part of the Balance of State. This practice is the same for Coordinated Entry Policies and Strategic Plan, Local Planning Bodies can submit the MIBOSCoC Coordinated Entry Policies as their own, but local specifics can be added, if needed. Discussion took place how to align LPB with the BoS, assessing capacity needs at the local level, and how does the State Plan relate to the local communities. If a Local Planning Body would like Jesica to speak on this topic directly to the LPB, please send an email to her at [coordinator@miboscoc.com](mailto:coordinator@miboscoc.com). A voice recording of this presentation is available on the [www.miboscoc.com](http://www.miboscoc.com) website.

### **US Census and Sheltered Homelessness ~ Gerry Leslie**

Gerry provided information regarding the 2020 Census and how the Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (MCAH) is working with the US Census Bureaus and the Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget to allow HMIS to be a resource for data collection; this information can only be shared if an individual signs a consent to release.

### **Coordinated Entry Committee Report ~ Halladay-Schmandt**

- The Committee's discussion continues to focus on upcoming changes to the Coordinated Entry Process to meet HUD Guidelines starting October 1.

### **Finance Committee Report ~ Cornelius**

- The Finance Committee has been developing the 2019 Planning Budget that will be presented to the Governance Council for approval. The Committee is also working on a written process to ensure System Coordination Stipend is spent. There was also discussion about a Summit stipend.

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

- This Committee did not meet due to Labor Day.
- The Capacity Assessment sub-committee met and is looking at a survey to identify capacity needs at the local level.

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

- Nominations are open for Executive Committee seats of Treasurer and Vice Chair positions. Elections will be held at the October meeting. Responsibilities of these seats can be found within the Governance Charter at [www.miboscoc.com](http://www.miboscoc.com).

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

- This Committee is responsible for the development and/or review of Annual Contracts with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (Collaborative Applicant) and Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (Homeless Management Information System).
- Eva Rohlman has agreed to Chair this Committee.

### **Vulnerable Populations Committees**

- Youth Committee (Chair – Cindy Arneson) – Committee met and continues to analyze data to help determine community capacity needs surrounding youth homelessness.
- Domestic Violence Committee (Chair – Robin Grenier/Beth Cassidy) – the Committee meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month in the morning. The Committee is using this work as a platform to share information and create a cohesive understanding of the relationship between DV agencies and MIBOSCOC and MSHDA. Committee members also attended a webinar regarding using Coordinated Entry using a Decision Tree Model for DV Survivors.
- Veterans Committee (Chair – Carly Huffman) – the Committee is discussing the ways additional Supportive Services for Veteran Families funding can be used to most effectively used to house homeless veterans.

### **Coordinator Update ~ Mays**

- MSHDA will be hosting a virtual Homeless Summit on October 28 & 29, 2020.

- Continuing work on the training site for members and work with the committees and needed surveys.
- SPARC will present general recommendations surrounding racial equity as it relates to current Committee work.

**Public Comment/Announcements**

- No public comments were noted.

The next Governance Council Meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2020 at 10:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:44 am.

Submitted September 6, 2020: Christa Jerome, MIBOSCoC Secretary