

Michigan Balance of State Continuum of Care

December 9, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Eva Rohlman, Geri Hamlen, Jennifer Rogers, Julie Shaw, Kim Cain, *Lori Pieri-Vice Chair*, Lynn Hendges, Ragan Cudney, Ruth Burhop, Sally Currie, *Christa Jerome-Secretary*, *Tina Allen-Chair*, Amanda Bergeron, Angila Heinitz, *Denise Cornelius-Treasurer*, Donna St John, Eric Hufnagel, Rebecca Zemla

Non-Members Present

Erika Hoover, Gerry Leslie, Jack Ho, Jaime Gabriel, Jason Weller, Jen Leaf, JoJean Thompson, Jordan McGinn, Karen Bertetto, Katrina Pelfrey, Kim Stuhler, Larry Kavan, Lisa Reinecke, Rhonda Pagel, Lynn Nee, Michele Gunkelman, Michelle Edwards, Michelle LaJoie, Misty Fogg Vankampen, Nicole Beagle, Rachel Nieves, Maddie Fitzpatrick, Rachel Berzack, Rachel Pung, Rebecca Rogan, Rebecca Tallarigo, Rochelle Clemens-Ludtke, Ryan Hannon, Sarah Hughes, Shanna Smith, Jessica Mays, Nicholas Emmendorfer, Amanda Brake, Angel Wilkins, Angie Jousma, Ashley Gagnon, Ashley Sellnow, Bill Jessup, Carrie Nyenhuis, Christie Harry, Courtney Holmes, Dana Vigas, Denise Bannan, Emily O'Brien, Sherry Thelen, Susan Conrad, Tarin Presler, Traci Schuelke, Tracy Mulvany, Victoria Purvis,

Welcome and Introductions

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 December 2021 Agenda. *There were no objections or concerns noted – consensus recorded for the December 2021 Agenda.*

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Vital Documents Reimbursement ~ Lynn Hendges DHHS

There is funding through DHHS to reimburse agencies. There are two ways to obtain birth certificates for clients, through your County Clerk's Office or through State of Michigan Vital Records. Client must be born in the State of Michigan. To obtain through your County Clerk's Office, client would follow the local Clerk's Process, Service Agency would pay the for the County Clerk's Office (requesting a receipt) and then Service Agency would complete MDHHS-5832 Form, attached receipts, and email to MDHHS-Homeless@michigan.gov. Fees will range in amount from \$5 - \$34. Birth Certificates can also be obtained by applying through the State of Michigan's Vital Records Department. Application and a list of required documents is available at https://www.michigan.gov/documents/birthapp_6360_7.pdf. A voice recording and slides of this information is available on the www.miboscoc.com website.

Decriminalization of Homelessness ~ Ryan Hannon

Ryan presented 5 Strategies to assist in Rural De-Criminalization Efforts. 1. Effective Partnerships between law enforcement and homelessness service providers can be achieved through the following strategies: 2. Develop shared goals, clearly define roles, and engage other critical stakeholders; Use data to understand local needs and assess progress; 3. Review and align local laws and ordinances to support the goals of the partnership; 4. Equip law enforcement officers and their homelessness services system counterparts with protocols and training; and, 5. Divert people from the criminal justice system while supporting long-term stabilization. A voice recording and slides of this information is available on the www.miboscoc.com website.

Coordinated Entry Committee Report ~ Halladay-Schmandt

- The committee is supporting discussion with 2-1-1 to help increase access to Coordinated Entry Points. Local Planning Bodies are currently completing a survey to help the MIBOSCOC and 2-1-1 understand processes that are in place currently.

Finance Committee Report ~ Cornelius

- The committee did not meet.

Performance and Outcomes Committee ~ Allen (Interim Chair)

- December and January's meeting have been cancelled to allow flexibility for Jessica and Tina to meet with MCAH to focus on strategies, and next steps, put in place by the Executive Committee for the next year.

HUD CoC Application and Evaluation ~ Pieri

- The FY21 HUD Application has been submitted and are waiting for the conditional awards. The MIBOSCOC applied for just over 9 million dollars that covers the 61 MIBOSCOC Counties.

Membership and Equity ~ Jerome

- The committee met and discussed ways of getting different trainings contracted and looked at data on disparities. Next meeting is December 10 from 1:00 – 2:00.

Contractual Oversight Committee ~ Cornelius

- There was no committee meeting this month.

Vulnerable Populations Committees

- Youth Committee (Chair – Jim Perlaki) – Meets 1st Friday of the month and work continues with MDHHS to increase youth service coverage in the Upper Peninsula and a Youth Listening Session is being planned to help support this work. The committee also developed goals to work on over the next year.
- Domestic Violence Committee (Chair – TBA) – The committee has worked over the last few months on the HUD DV Application. New meeting date will be the 2nd Monday of the month at 1:00. Will be looking at comparable HMIS data bases for DV providers.
- Veterans Committee (Chair – Carly Huffman) – The committee did not meet in November, but the Committee has been focusing on ideas to reinvigorate communities' interest in Pledging to End Veteran Homelessness.

Coordinator Update ~ Mays

- State Partner updates will be added into the MIBOSCOC monthly agenda. There will be a rotating calendar for one partner to update the membership monthly – each partner will provide updates two times per year.

HMIS Administrator Update ~ Leslie

- The Point-in-Time Count and Housing Inventory Count is upcoming on January 26, 2022; this will be both a sheltered count and street count in 2022. Training dates will be released soon.

Public Comment/Announcements

- Tina thanked the Executive Committee and Governance Council Members for their involvement and work over the past four years as the MIBOSCOC evolved into the model it is today.

The next Governance Council Meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2022, at 10:0 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.

Submitted by Christa Jerome, MIBOSCoC Secretary