



MiBOSCO Governance Council Minutes

Thursday, January 9th, 2025 at
10:00 AM ET

Attending: Alicia Coultas-Harden, Allison Green, Amanda Rashotte, Amanda Smith, Amy Eddinger, Angela Heintz, Ashley Airaudi, Ashley Bruce, Ashley Gagnon, Ashley Sellnow, Ashley Sweet, Beth Shiverski, Bernie Newby, BillieJean Horrocks, Brenda Kann, Brianna Kammer, Cassie Smith, Chelan Gonzalez, Chelsie Wilkinson, Christa Merritt, Colleen Dahl, Daniel Klink, Eleanor Kolasinski, Emily Bowman, Emily O'Brien, Emily Wasolaskus, Eric Hufnagel, Eva Rohlman, Gerry Leslie, Heather Dhooge, Jamie Rowe, Jason Parks, Jen Rodgers, Jeremy Weinrick, Jessica Mays, Jim Perlacki, Jim Webb, Jodie Haas, Joe Coffey, Karen Bertetto, Katie Graham, Katrina Pelfrey, Kelly Bidelman, Kerry VanHouten, Kim Cain, Kris Lindsey, Laura Heintzelman, Lisa Reinecke, Logan Snider, Lori Johnson, Lynn Hendges, Lynn Kovalik, Lynn Nee, Matalyn Thibeault, Michelle LaJoie, Misty Bowers, Nade Alshimari, Nicholas Perry, Pam Cornell-Allen, Rachel Pung, Ragan Cudney, Rebecca Tallarigo, Rhonda Pagel, Rochelle Clemens-Ludtke, Rod DesJardins, Rustine Janiszewski, Sally Andreatta, Sarah Carstens, Sarah Hughes, Susan Williams, Takisha Jones, Tarin Sheffield, Tina Allen, = **72**

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am ET by the Chair, Eva Rohlman, who reminded meeting attendees that work is done using the consensus model and how to engage in conversations.

Review/Approve Agenda

Today's meeting agenda was approved as presented by consensus.

Review/Approve Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the October 28th meeting were approved by consensus.

HMIS Administrator Update (Gerry Leslie and Beth Shiverski):

Beth Shiverski- PIT Count overview.

If you'd like a primer on the Point in Time Count in Michigan, MCAH has a video series called Preparing for the PIT Count including a video called PIT 101 here:

<https://hmislearningcenter.org/other-presentations/> and here: <https://vimeo.com/247176714>

The Longitudinal Systems Analysis portion is done for BOS. Thank you to all providers for your help.

Send questions to HMIS Help desk: mihelp@mihomeless.org

Committee Updates:

Find the committee meeting calendar here: [Calendar - MIBOSCO](#)

Coordinated Entry, HARA, Shelter Subcommittees (Sarah Hughes):

Reviewed and edited the CE Policy regarding the BOS' Prioritization of MSHDA's **Housing Choice Voucher Prioritization**.

All CE and Shelter members (including DV) are encouraged to attend the Jan. 22nd Shelter meeting to continue reviewing and making final edits on the CE Policy document.

The 3 CE committees meet on a rotation of once every 3 months on the 4th Wednesday of month at 10:00am.

Shelter: Next meeting is January 22nd, 2025 @ 10am.

HARA: Next meeting is February 26th, 2025 @ 10am

CE: Next meeting is March 26th, 2025 @ 10am

Performance and Outcomes (Tina Allen): HMIS Restructure project is almost complete.

Perf. and Outcomes meets 2nd Monday of month at 2pm.

Next meeting: January 13th @ 2pm

Membership and Equity (Katrina Pelfrey):

Working on translating intake documents to Spanish. Focusing on making our materials more accessible to Hispanic clients across the COC. Regardless of documentation status, people are eligible for RRH and Shelter without documented eligibility. (PSH and HCV vouchers don't apply.)

BOS has an interpretation service that our providers can access for free. Training available on the training site: **200 CES- Access Service Providers Pathway.**

Utilize the CSH Trauma Informed Care training/SOGIE training

Next meeting: February 4th @ 12pm.

HELP Committee (Susan Williams):

Advocacy letter is ready to be sent to legislators in MI. Recruiting more HELP participants. Developing more feedback documents for clients to assess fair and equitable treatment.

Meets 2nd Tuesday every month @ 2pm. Next HELP meeting is January 14th @ 2pm.

Youth Action Board (YAB) (Logan Snider: YAB Chair):

YAB members are attending subcommittee meetings and are paired with an older adult partner to commit to help them with organization and support in those committees. YAB are revising community agreements for subcommittees. Recruiting new YAB members- ages 16-24. Must have lived experience of homelessness. Online applications available here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe5gy0QsjYAa6Vvy8EflitAzqFQs3B3H9Bxrz96R0S1aB8jAQ/viewform?usp=sharing>

Vulnerable Populations:

Youth: (Jim Perlacki):

Future meetings will have key focus areas: 4 overarching goals will center around:

1. Housing Stability
2. Permanent Connections
3. Education and Employment
4. Social and Emotional Well-being

Learn more here: <http://www.miboscoc.com/youth.html>

Next meeting is January 16th @ 3:30-5:00pm

DV Subcommittee: (Katrina Pelfrey):

The Balance of State DV Training workgroup is offering 4 training sessions running from January through March 2025; these trainings are targeted for HARAs, Coordinated Entry, Shelter, RRH and PSH providers.

Registration is now open for the January Training: DV/Housing Instability

The training will be recorded for your reference and uploaded to the Balance of State training site after the final session.

These are 2 identical trainings to choose from:

When: Jan 14, 2025 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAoc-GqqToqGdw4AQ7Xbo9rQ-QOvbw7WXOI>

When: Jan 16, 2025 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEIdeuhqDspGtTelK_2lWKQfZJspp9gE8OR

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

DV Meets 2nd Monday e/o month @ 1pm. January DV is canceled.

Next meeting is March 10th, 2025 @1pm

Veterans Subcommittee: (Katie Graham):

Nov. Veterans meeting was a presentation from MVAA on a proposed Veteran registry.

Meets 4th Tuesday e/o month @ 3pm. Next meeting January 28th @ 3pm

BOS Staff/Initiative Reports

Executive Director Update: (Jessica Mays):

New Program Director is Ashley Halladay-Schmandt; Start date Jan. 13, 2025. We are adding 2 members to Executive Committee: YAB (Bridget Brandon) and HELP (tbd).

LPB: (Katrina Pelfrey): Current Q1 2025 (Jan.-March) agenda along with all LPB resources are available here: <http://www.miboscoc.com/local-planning-body-resources.html>

Please choose your LPB within the document linked here and complete quarterly: [LPB Quarterly Funding Reports 2024/25](#)

Tina Allen provided a short 9 minute training on the updates here: [LPB Quarterly Funding Report Training 2024/25](#)

Check your Q4 211 report here: [LPB 211 Report](#)

State Partner Updates:

MSHDA: (Jessica Mays):

Building Michigan Communities Conference registration is open: <https://buildingmicommunities.org>

An FAQ will be available soon regarding HCV's.

MDHHS: (Lynn Hengdes):

Emergency Shelter Program: 53 HCV Vouchers for youth will be made available soon. Will provide 3 to possibly 5 years housing assistance. Reach out to Lynn Henges or Lynn Nee for more information. PSH application closes 1/9. Expanding family shelter, looking at a master leasing pilot. Stay tuned for applications.

MCAH: (Allison Green):

To register for the free webinar on the Criminalization of Homelessness:

<https://mihomeless-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYvdu-prTMuHN1-TriZvO7Jrrtkahhy0b0u>

To register for Advocacy Day on April 16: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/MCAHAdvocacyDay>

Advocacy Alert Newsletter: <https://mailchi.mp/mihomeless.org/julyadvocacyalerts-2783016>

Join us the first Monday of each month from Noon – 1:00 PM to learn about state and federal legislative updates and call to actions. Register [here](#).

Salvation Army: (Takisha Jones):

ESP report is due Jan. 15th. Hosting quarterly ESP Coffee and Conversation for ESP subrecipients. Next meeting is Jan. 24th @10:00-11:30am.

Quarterly financial statement will be sent out by end of January. Please submit your expenditures by Jan. 10th for accuracy.

Public Comment:

Homeless Advocacy Day is April 16th @ 9am. Register here:

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/MCAHAdvocacyDay>

Helpful Information:

- Use the training site to access a myriad of training opportunities. Some training is required for funding sources; a login is required: miboscoc.com/training-site
- Interpretation services available; access through the Training Site: miboscoc.talentlms.com

Review the Governance Council meeting/presentations here:

[01.09.2025 Governance Council](#)

Next Governance Council:

April 10th @ 10am

Please register [here](#) to attend and receive monthly email meeting reminders.

Meeting adjourned at 11:16am

Submitted on 1/9/2025 by Katrina Pelfrey, Secretary