April 16, 2018 at 1:30pm  
Broadway Baptist Church

305 W. Broadway Street

Fort Worth TX, 76104

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| *Board Members in Attendance: Naomi Byrne, Tori Sisk, Victoria Farrar-Myers, Patricia Ward, Pat Jacob, Jerome Johnson, James Tapscott, Jason Hall, Toby Owen, Steve Montgomery, Cassandra Walker, Tara Perez, Gage Yager, Andy Miller, Shannon Sprigg, Scott Rule, Mary-Margaret Lemons, Norbert White, Andy Taft, Artie Williams*   1. **Call to Order:** 1:31 pm 2. **Introductions to CoC:** Statement of Welcome from the CoC Board Chair, Introductions from Board of Directors Members, McGhee summarized the CoC Board Orientation Binder, Byrne explained the differences between the current charter and the previous Charter 3. **Reports and Discussion**-   McGhee provided TCHC Report.  Patricia Ward: How many agencies have youth licenses?  McGhee: ACH has license for youth shelter; the Youth grant looks at 18-24, targeting housing efforts.  Artie William – Does this address kids aging out of foster care?  McGhee: Yes, Foster care, LGBT, special targeted populations  Byrne: Are you looking at agencies who work with those aging out of care?  McGhee: We have a youth committee made of those agencies, meeting consistently, we have Youth Action Board, like the Consumer Council to give us a youth voice as well.  Byrne: Can you provide update on website?  McGhee: The website should go live in May. We are reviewing this week.  **B) Standing Committee-**   1. **CoC Board Executive Committee-**Board discussed if the meetings should continue the 4th Monday of every other month. A motion was introduced by James Tapscott to have meetings monthly through July 2018 to allow new members to become allocated. Byrne moved to approve the motion introduced by Tapscott, Norbert White seconded the motion, the motion passed. 2. **CoC Governance Committee-** Toby Owens reported the committee met April 4th and discussed upcoming nominations and potential members. Pending a final vote 3. **HMIS Governance Committee-** no updates 4. **Allocations Committee-** no updates 5. **Improvement, Coordination, and Training Committee-** no updates   **C) Community Strategic Plan-** McGhee asked for direction on the Strategic Planning Process  Various Board members presented the following questions: Are there any other cities want to collaborate to share the cost of establishing the strategic plan? Would we have shared intentions, outcomes, gains and losses? Can the board be provided with estimates of cost, the research of the success of the firms provided in the estimated? Do the firms specializes in homeless services/social services? Are we able to make sure the firm is a national expert with experiences in multiple cities that can provide best practices? Andy Taft introduced the motion to have TCHC research cost estimates and potential RFP applicants and to bring the information to the next meeting. There was emphasis on following procurement procedure and the need to have at least 3 bids. Byrne moved to approve the motion introduced by Andy Taft, Patricia Ward seconded the motion, the motion passed  IV) **Board Action Items**   * 1. **Approval of Governance Committee Slate of Nominees-** Toby Owen presented a recommendation of the slate of nominees for the Governance committee. Byrne asked for further discussion. Motion passed  1. **Request for Future Agenda Items**   Rule: Is the financial information brought to this board?  McGhee: The CoC Board has no financials  Tapscott: When are we voting on the new board executive committee?  Byrne: It’s my assumption the new governance committee will nominate new slate of officers and the board will vote next month.  Owen: May be beneficial to see if the CoC can receive dollars in support of strategic plan, not a non-profit or government body.  Byrne: We are not incorporated entity, no business structure or bank account.  Rule: The solicitation of funds would go to TCHC.  Byrne: The administration of funds best managed by TCHC  Taft: So, they’d be charged with administration?  McGhee: Yes, it’s already in the contract between the CoC and TCHC, would be designated the funds.  Owen: This board would help TCHC in soliciting the funds.  Taft: Since all money coming to TCHC is government money, is that a concern?  Byrne: The process would adhere to policies  VI) **Public Comment:**  Carol Klocek: Early Childhood homeless efforts underway for 2 years, looking at scope of homelessness for children in community, our group uses a definition that aligns with school definition, 15,000 homeless kids, half under age 6. Started this based-on number of calls received at CTL. Did focus groups, had 39 providers at table who have made recommendations. A lot of concern because number is so large, is it too large and beyond the scope of CoC. 75% of homeless kids never enter in homeless services system, have other supports they can use. Has permanent impact on the kids and the community, feel action needs to be taken. There has been request from elected officials to rework the recommendations. Ask that family homelessness be a group the new strategic plan focuses on. Not enough Emergency Shelter for families, have need in community for that. The face of homelessness has changed so much, is so much more than the cycle of poverty.  Byrne: Several on the CoC board have served on the CTL committee.  Sheryl Kenny: Arlington is in middle of working on update to 10-year plan, would like our data to dovetail into strategic planning process, doing surveys and focus groups. Have put in some public funding, on a shoestring budget.  **Vii) Adjournment: 3:07pm** |  |  |

*The Fort Worth/ Arlington/ Tarrant County Continuum of Care (also known by its HUD designation, “TX-601”) serves as the planning and coordinating body for the efforts to prevent and end homelessness in Tarrant and Parker Counties. Meetings may be recorded. General Membership and Continuum of Care (CoC) Board meetings are open to the public. CoC Board Members are selected annually in accordance with the* [*CoC Charter*](http://www.ahomewithhope.org/tchc-services/continuum-of-care-program/coc-policies-procedures/) *and after a public call for nominations. The Tarrant County Homeless Coalition (TCHC) serves as the Lead Agency, Collaborative Applicant, and HMIS Administrator for TX-601.*

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