

GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES



Date: 10/10/24

Started: 11: 05 AM

Facilitator: Stephen Gruver

Location: Oak City Cares

In Attendance

Priscilla Batts, Eric Braun, Sheryl Cromedy, Stephen Gruver, David Harris, John Niffenegger, Ann Oshel, Barkley Sample, Nicole Stewart, Johnnie Thomas, Nicole Wilson, Kathy Johnson

Absent

Richard Averitte, Derwin Willoughby

Approval of September Minutes

David Harris motioned to approve the September Governance Board minutes.

Sheryl Cromedy seconded the motion.

Unanimously approved.

FRC Recommendation – Priority Listing

Erin Flynn gave an overview of the Priority Listing, the process of ranking and review, and what determinations the Funding Review Committee made to break ties and straddle a renewal project.

David Harris had a concern about two HMIS project applications. Erin Flynn provided the answer given by the Collaborative Applicant consultant that the new project is an expansion to the renewal project. Only a lead entity can do this and if both applications are awarded, they would be combined into one grant.

Nicole Stewart motioned to approve the Funding Review Committee's Priority Listing recommendation.

Stephen Gruver seconded the motion.

Abstained:

David Harris, Johnnie Thomas, Sheryl Cromedy, Ann Oshel, Kathy Johnson

Vote to approve:

Priscilla Batts, Stephen Gruver, John Niffenegger, Nicole Stewart, Eric Braun

Motion carried.

Unsheltered Response Pilot Update

John Niffenegger began the City of Raleigh's Unsheltered Response Pilot update. John asked Kathy Johnson, Executive Director of Oak City Cares, to share about the encampment visit on October 9. Kathy shared that flyers were handed out and many people did not know about the resources provided by Oak City Cares.

John Niffenegger shared that the City of Raleigh is creating and implementing a plan called "Bringing Neighbors Home" that is working to provide permanent housing for the unsheltered population. [See the meeting PowerPoint for more information.](#)

Governance Board Applications Open

Stephen Gruver reminded the Board that Governance Board applications are open until October 25, 2024. Called for members of the Board to reach out into the community to ask for people to apply.

Wake County Transition Update

Stephen Gruver shared that he has signed the MOU and that the Director position for the CoC has been posted.

Committee Updates

Thurston Alexander-Smith shared that the DAC is creating policies and procedures, similar to the Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures. Looking into other communities' policies to find a starting point. Thurston also shared that if HMIS were to be awarded the full federal funding and future ESG money, it would still not be enough. Thurston suggested renegotiating the BitFocus contract. Both Kathy Johnson (Oak City Cares - Coordinated Entry Lead) and Thurston Alexander-Smith (Chair of the Data Advisory Committee) stated that they feel concerned about continuing with this vendor.

Adjourned: 12:28 PM

Next Meeting

Thursday, November 14 @ 11 AM

Location: Salvation Army