Minutes

GKCCEH Board of Directors Meeting

📅 Fri September 2nd, 2022
⏰ 8:30am - 10:00am CDT
📍 Online - See Zoom Link in Description

👥 In Attendance
Melissa Douglas, Cara Hoover, Susila Jones, Jackie Lynn, Simon Messmer, Michael Simmons Jr., Precious Stargell Cushman, Arielle Thompson, Eric Washington

1. **Call to Order**
   Cara calls to order at 8:35 Roll: Melissa Douglas, Cara Hoover, Susila Jones, Jackie Lynn, Mike Simmons, Precious Stargell Cushman, Arielle Thompson. Eric Washington, Simon Messmer,

   Staff: Marqueia Watson, Amber Bauer, Kaylee Coulter, Patricia Hernandez, Haley White

2. **Approval of Minutes**
   Cara: approval of mins? Jackie brought forth the motion Susila second. All in favor, no opposed, no abstain.

3. **Public Comment**
   n/a

4. **Governance**
   Marqueia: met with homeless trust fund. They grant 50k to 60k a year to nonprofits. We were asked to provide 2 delegate members, myself, and looking for another delegate. Time commitment 8 hours over the course of a year. Jackie said she is willing to be a delegate.
MW: CoC charter, having a roundtable after membership meeting but NOFO took all capacity we should revisit the topic. Next executive session come up with a road map.

Cara: why don't you and I get together after, and then bring the board back in after to get a reaction?

MW: we are asking for a vote for the unsheltered application, timeline, and priorities.
  - updated documents for the annual NOFO 2022 as we had to update some questions.
  - the final KCMO strategic plan will be published in Oct, in the meantime, I'll send the word document.

5. **Board Engagement**
   Outreach in KCK - WyCO
   a. **Board Outreach Field Trip - September 7**
      Meeting at cross lines and Jackie is coordinating us. Wearing comfortable shoes.
      Susila: Park in the parking lot by the church.
      Jackie: Needs a headcount. In case we need to split up.
      MW: Simon had his hand up I think.

6. **Finances**
   - Grant research- that we could potentially apply for - staff has put together a worksheet for the finance committee to review
   - No finance meeting this month due to NOFO, holding pattern until the audit.
   - Next month we will discuss fundraising
   - FY23 KCMO is now online and making list of reimbursements.
   - Submitted FY21 HMIS grants are in the queue, local HUD is auditing the city, and we are waiting for them to go online.
   - REbuild KC was declined. They selected applicants but not their dollar amount.

   a. **Monthly Finance Report**

   b. **Audits & Reporting**

7. **Org and Staff Update**
   - HMIS RFP- received a bunch of submissions.
     - 2 dates for meeting to discuss
   - 2 funding competitions at the same time.
     - AB is managing the annual
     - MW in the unsheltered
       - waiting on approval of the application
     - Admin group gets together and then split to discuss each competition
- Frank White - is very supportive of us and the strategic plan.
  - Will help us with community engagement and marketing.
  - They were surprised about children on the street, and the control and violence of women on the street.
  - They were curious how shy of housing we were, 10s of thousand.
  - They thought 1000 for one bedroom was to high.
  - Cannabis legislation and housing.
  - Public safety tax was needed due to violence and public health perspective. Great first meeting.
  - After the strategic plan is published by the city we will meet again, to gain their support. The goal is to take it to Independence and UG to broaden the scope for the whole community. All elected officials have an appetite for that. Regional MOU or agreement when it comes to unsheltered homelessness due to HB1606 we don't want jurisdictions to sue each other over it
- KCMO’s strategic plan is off to the designer
- WyCO coordination and planning - emergency housing, cold weather, finding resources for winter, and looking for emergency housing in general
  - Kim Wilson and KCK health dep and how they can leverage the unsheltered NOFO. Could be very impactful.
  - Susila: great to see so much collaboration with CBB, KCK Mayor, and KWH. We are meeting today to discuss the cold weather shelter.
- KCMO is also planning their cold weather now. Josh has a group coming together next week and looking at pretty dramatic than last year. More house people vs warehouse people.
- CE policy training - very well received. Identified gaps to grow from and the CE policy is now in full implementation
- Dr. Sam Tsemberis is coming to provide a Housing First primer on 9/13 and 9/26. We asked VIPs to come and sit with him and will have a webinar for the community.
- Fair housing training is TBD emphasis on youth and LGBTQ+
- LMS has launched and has been well received. Its been a lot of work but so great!
- NAEH capitol hill advocacy day online 9/14 - working on advocacy event to meet with legislators to advocate for homeless issues.
- NHSDC - Seattle Oct 18th - staff is going
- NAEH- Oakland - unsure if we will attend

a. Executive Director Report

b. GKCCEH Activities
- Coordinated Entry Policy Training
- Housing First Workshops w/ Dr. Sam Tsemberis
- Meeting w/ Jackson County Executive
- Cold Weather Planning
- NOFO & Special NOFO Activities
- COC Program Monitoring

c. **FY22 NOFO Competition Update**
The FY2022 COC Program competition officially opened on August 1, 2022.

Attached you will find updated application questions for both new and renewal projects and the NOFO Rating Factors document. These are for reference only, to reflect questions that were reordered prior to the application go-live date.

The deadline to submit project applications was Wednesday, August 31st.

Rank and Review panel members will have access to the applications via ZoomGrants on Friday, September 2nd.

- Almost through the first NOFO applicants have turned their applications in.
  - staff sat down and worked on TA on each application
  - We will get with Rank and review
  - Snaps did a webinar talking about timeline- they were very frantic. HUD also seems frantic. So we are proud of our team for having it together.
- Due 9.30.22
  - such a tight turnaround email votes will be required
  - shroter application
  - sheter process

d. **VOTE: FY22 Unsheltered NOFO Application Materials**
Items for Board vote

1. Application Timeline
2. Community Priorities
3. Project Application Questions (with point values)

Per the timeline, these materials will be made available to project applicants on Wednesday, September 7th.

due 10.20.22

- 3-year competitive demonstration
- similar to annual
- subcommittee meets 9.16.22
  - met already to come up with priorities that will coincide with KCMO's strategic plan.
- coordinated community plan
- Go live on the 7th and 10.19 will be the due date
• pending your approval of the application, we will have it entered into zoom grants
  • some questions are similar
  • HUD wanted accountability and people were not kept engaged through their housing journey.
  • focus on anti-black racism - we have a large
  • high fidelity to housing first.
  • connecting to healthcare
  • LGBTQ+ and black men focus
  • racial equity backup document
• Cara: any questions for Marqueia before we approve
  • what has the community reaction been to the timelines?
  • MW: first round they had a week to make applications, we moved to zoom grants. Rank and review has access to it and can also review it there.
    They will have more time for this competition but it's more of a lift the questions are heftier.
  • Cara: how much will be awarded?
  • MW: 10 mil over 3 years
• Cara Timeline vote. Motion to approve? Jackie brought forth the motion Simon second. All in favor.
• Cara: Unsheltered local priorities. Motion to approve? Melissa brought forth the motion Arielle second. All in favor
• Cara: Unsheltered NOFO local application questions and scores Jackie brought forth the motion Melissa second. all in favor
• Cara; motion carried on all 3 forms.

8. **Public Comment**
   n/a

9. **Next Meeting Date & Action Items**
   Oct 7th is our next meeting.
   
   Cara: we hope to see everyone next week for outreach! Park off of Pile by the church. Have a safe long week

10. **Executive Session (if applicable)**