



Minutes

Committee: Membership Council

Date: 04/05/2021

Duration: 1:00 – 3:00

Meeting Place: VIRTUAL MEETINGS VIA ZOOM

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Meeting ID: 865 3287 0646

Presiding:

Attendance:

P = Present

TC = Attended via Dial in

A = Absent

Membership Council Members							
P	Dr. Virginia Brown	A	Esther Johnson	P	Laura Ward	P	Summer Wright
P	Christy Moffett	P	Greg McCormack	P	Lisa Garcia	P	Vella Karman
A	Andrew Miller	A	Gretchen Nelson	P	Lyric Wardlow	P	Yvonne Camarena
A	Ann Teich	P	Jessie Metcalf	P	Lynn Meredith		
A	Catherina Conte	P	Kathleen Casey	A	Ryan Adam		
P	Dawn Perkins	P	Kathleen Ridings	A	Steve Brothers		
A	Donna Ware	A	Julia Spann	A	Steven James Potter		
Committee Chairs							
P	Dylan Shubitz	P	Kali Holyfield	P	Susan McDowell		
P	Erin Whelan	A	Kellee Coleman	A	Karen Dorrier		
Advisors							
P	Awais Azhar	P	Bill Brice	P	Irit Umani	A	Sarah Cook
P	Adelita Winchester	A	Cossy Hough	A	Paul Caudero	A	Thomas Visco
P	Cacki Young	A	John Waller (COA)	P	Quiana Fisher	A	Patrick Wigmore
A	Akeshia Johnson-Smothers	A	Lara Foss	A	Ruth Ahearn	A	Alissa Weber
A	Ashley Richardson	A	Phil Session	A	Sam Verde	A	Diana Grey
A	Kelly White	A	Peggy Davis Braun	A	Alberta Phillips	P	David Gomez
A	Jason Phillips	P	Neil Hackett	P	Rhie Morris	P	James May
P	Yasmine Smith	P	Rebecca Giello	A	Marquita Fagan	P	Jeannie Nelson
ECHO (CoC Lead)							
P	Matt Mollica	P	Chris Murray	P	Laura Evanoff	P	Sarah Duzinski
P	Akram Al-Turk	P	Claire Burrus	A	Mason Turpin	P	Whitney Bright
P	Andrew Willard	P	Eri Gregory	P	Norman Harris	A	Kaylin Rubin
P	Chris Davis	P	Kate Moore	P	Preston Petty	A	Bree Williams
A	Nicolina Kozak	A	Teri Yates				

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I. Welcome, Approval of Minutes, & Membership Council Business	V. Brown	1:00 – 1:10	Review and Approve December 2020 Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome & Introductions • Action Item: <i>Review and approve February 2021 minutes.</i> 	Decision: February 2021 minutes approved with no revisions.

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<p>II. City of Austin FY 21-22 Action Plan</p>	<p>K. Horstman</p>	<p>1:10 – 1:35</p>	<p>FY21-22 Action Plan Presentation and Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FY 21-22 Action Plan’s Speak Up Austin webpage - this link <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The FY21-22 Action Plan is currently operating in year 3 of 5 year period through 2024 of the Consolidated Plan. ○ SpeakUpAustin has a survey for the Community Needs Assessment. ○ Public Comment period concludes Friday 07/11/21. ○ Plan will be submitted to HUD in August 2021. ○ \$29 Million rec’d from the American Rescue Plan for emergency rental assistance. More funds expected including \$11 Million in HOME formula grant. • FY21-22 Action Plan Submission Timeline (attached) • Questions may be submitted to katie.horstman@austintexas.gov • Q (J. Metcalf): Hoping all voices share their feedback during needs assessment. Are there voices you’re worried you won’t hear from and how are you mitigating the risk you won’t hear from them? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (HPD): Input sought via neighborhood boards and online feedback. (Most reports around how online feedback is working is positive – i.e. it eliminates the need for some to drive to City Hall). HPD is open to using forums and methods that will work best for the community. • Q (S. Wright): I’m curious about the reasoning behind the increase in HOPWA funds and decrease in the others. (Not opposed, just wondering what accounts for that.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (HPD): It is formula grant driven and needs a deeper analysis than can be given in this meeting. • Q (D. Shubitz): is this a forum for members of this group to offer comments and opinions about the plan? or is the speakup link the better avenue? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HPD representatives are interested in hearing comments and feedback, but official feedback should be submitted via SpeakUpAustin.org. • Q (I. Umani): Is this group, as group, taking a stand on Prop B in front of the city? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (V. Brown): There is a template for those who want to, but MC as a group is <u>not</u> taking a formal stance. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (M. Mollica): ECHO as an organization <u>will</u> be taking an official stand against Prop B, as approved and directed by the ECHO board of directors. 	
III. Committee / Coalition Updates	1:35 – 1:55	<p>CoC & ESG Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No updates presented. • Link to committee page w/Agendas and Minutes <p>Local Policy & Practice Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No updates presented. • Link to committee page with Agendas and Minutes <p>Austin Youth Collective Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you and CONGRATS to Rhie Azzam Morris!!! • Erin Whelan informed members on how to share their thanks by writing a note to Rhie online: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/LJVZ0tHY <p>Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project Leadership Advisory Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan McDowell presented an update on the progress made with the Ending Youth Homelessness work. • System Data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 789 youth housed system-wide since 10.1.18 (as of 3.1.21) ○ As of 3.1.21, there were 258 youth on the By-Name List; there were 116 youth in the overall census who were not on the By-Name List. • YHDP Data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 611 youth served through YHDP (10.1.18 – 3.1.21) ○ 307 youth served through Diversion ○ 86 youth served through PORT ○ 303 youth served through RRH (YHDP and other funding sources) ○ 404 youth housed through YHDP (10.1.18 – 3.1.21) • Research and Learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Outcome report for RRH and Diversion presented to YHDP Leadership Committee ○ AYC survey on RRH presented to YHDP Leadership Committee and LifeWorks Board 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ On-going process evaluation ○ One article published in Child Care in Practice; another article under review with the Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal; two additional manuscripts in preparation and nearing submission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Priority Initiatives for 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Active outreach to youth in HMIS not currently on By-Name List ○ Re-projecting capacity and resource needs to reach Functional Zero ○ Access to and implementation of CARES Act Resources <p>Housing Vouchers: Ending Youth Homelessness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Austin community requested funds and submitted an application for youth dedicated vouchers through the Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) NOFA. Application was submitted for vouchers through the Housing Authority City of Austin (HACA) in March 2021 ● Application submitted requested 75 vouchers and provide 36-months of rental subsidies for youth 18-24). ● Application included the establishment of a 3-way MOU with HACA, Texas DFPS, and ECHO. <p>Equity Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No Updates provided. 	
IV. Governance Restructure Workgroup (GRW)	S. Wright / L. Evanoff	1:55-2:30	<p>Governance Restructure Workgroup Update and Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Summer Wright provided a presentation on the Governance Restructure Workgroup progress and next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Selection Policy (attached) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board selection policy was separated from governance charter so that board selection ball could begin rolling

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		<p>more quickly and slate could be designed to attain maximum equity and representation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Updated Governance Restructure Timeline: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Leadership Council Application: April 5 – April 16 (deadline) ▪ April 19th ECHO completes scoring matrix and submit to GRW. ▪ April 20-23: GRW scores candidates based on rubric, matrix, and selection policy. ▪ April 28: Publicly post (website) and distribute slate & endorsed candidates. ▪ Slate will be confirmed by consensus at the All Stakeholder Meeting on May 3, 2021 1pm-3pm • Q (V. Brown): Is this a report-out or a solicitation for feedback? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (L. Evanoff / A. Willard): This is a report-out. Feedback is welcome (and the process could be adjusted if needed) but the decisions lie with the GRW which has finalized the process. • The application is now open here. • A new MOU between new Leadership Council & Lead Agency / Collaborative Applicant (ECHO) is being drafted, as is an updated Conflict of Interest policy. • The Governance Charter updates are in progress this week with the GRW. • Q (J. Metcalf): “Direct HUD funding?” Or inclusive of “indirect” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (L. Evanoff): There are no specific requirements around qualifications for the HUD funding but will be scored on how they meet the seat needs in general and the needs of the CoC Board. • Q (V. Brown): what happens if we do not get candidates for positions or the range of candidates is incomplete? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (L. Evanoff): The application process may be re-opened if needed. Also, candidates may apply for more than one seat if they fit more than one. • Q (V. Karman): How is the application process being communicated out to the community? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (L. Evanoff): Website, Email, Social Media, and Word of Mouth. All are encouraged to share the application widely.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q (R. Morris): are community members allowed to apply outside of organizational relationship? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A (L. Evanoff / A. Willard): Yes! Except for the appointed seats – please see the selection policy. 	
V. ECHO Lead Agency Updates	C. Davis C. Burrus W. Bright / N. Harris	2:30-2:55	<p>Communications Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The “Advocacy Hub” on the ECHO website is live here. • ECHO Blog, March 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social Work Day ○ Trauma-Informed Care / Winter Storm Updates. ○ Transgender Visibility by Summer Wright. • Statesman Article about Caritas • KXAN Article about shelters being at capacity. <p>FY 2020 Q4 CoC Performance Scorecard Summary (attached)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Doors has not completed its transition to HMIS so there are no submissions for them for the past few quarters. • Income growth metrics have the most room for improvement. • No projects scored below 60; no new Performance Improvement Plans. <p>HMIS Lead Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whitney Bright and Norman Harris provided a presentation on the System Performance Measures report submitted to HUD and provided a verbal update on the status of the upcoming HIC report submission. • HUD Reports: System Performance Measures (SPM) Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Presentation slides will be provided via email. • Housing Inventory Count (HIC) Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HIC is complete except for waiting on a few programs to submit data corrections. The process appears to be on track. 	Action Item: ECHO will send HMIS department’s full SPM presentation via email.
Adjournment			<p>PARKING LOT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next steps on updated scorecards. <p>Next Meeting: ALL-STAKEHOLDER MEETING on May 3rd, 2021 1:00PM – 3:00PM</p>	