

Health Care for the Homeless (HCHN) Governance Council

April 20, 2020, 4:15pm-6:15pm

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Agenda

Topic	Person	Time	Purpose	Materials
CALL TO ORDER 1. Welcome & Introductions 2. Minutes <i>Action: review and approve</i>	Jeff Sakuma	4:15	Inform, Approve	- HCHN GC Minutes 031620_final
PUBLIC COMMENT	Jeff Sakuma	4:25	Inform, Discuss	
EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE WORK 1. Next Steps in response to 2/10 HCHN ESJ Presentation 2. Meeting Accessibility	Jeff Sakuma, Kristina Sawyckyj	4:30	Inform, Discuss	
OTHER ITEMS 1. HCHN Admin Updates a. HRSA Grant Updates 2. COVID-19 Homelessness Response	Denise Hawthorne, TJ Cosgrove, Anne Meegan, Jeff Sakuma	4:55	Inform, Discuss	
REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS 1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions a. Community Advisory Group b. Program Evaluation Committee <i>Action: new membership</i> c. Executive Committee <i>Action: GC member-at-large</i> 2. GC Membership/Vacancies <i>Action: review and approve</i> 3. Board Letters – Next Steps 4. Bylaws/Co-applicant Agreement – Electronic Voting 5. Open Forum	Zsa Zsa Floyd, Janice Tufte, Jeff Sakuma	5:45	Inform, Discuss, Approve	- FAQ_Program Evaluation Committee_021920 - Council Membership Application_Benjamin Miksch - Council Membership Application_Carolyn Malone - Council Membership Application_Harold Odom - Council Membership Application_Jennell Hicks - Jennell's Resume Skill Based August 2017_updated - Council Membership Application_LaMont Green

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LaMont Green Resume V1 - Council Membership Application_Wendy Cisneros - GC Term Lengths
ADJOURN		6:15		

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HCHN Governance Council Members

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anita Souza, PhD, MA, UW School of Nursing • Eleta Wright, MSW, Nexus Youth and Families • Janice Tufte, Consumer Representative • Jeff Sakuma, City of Seattle Human Services Department • Jesse Rawlins, Public Defender Association • Jodi Denney, North King County Community Medicine Team • Katherine Switz, MBA, The Stability Network • Kristina Sawyckyj, Consumer Representative | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie Enzian, MD, HMC Medical Respite Program • Mark Goetcheus, HMC Wound, Ostomy, Limb Preservation, & Amputee Services • Melinda Giovengo, PhD, MA, YouthCare • Michael Erikson, MSW, Neighborcare Health • Michael Quinn, Plymouth Housing Group • Rick Reynolds, Operation Nightwatch • Victoria Silver, Friends of Youth • Zsa Zsa Floyd, Community Advocate |
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MINUTES

Monday, April 20, 2020
Zoom Meeting

Council Members Present: Eleta Wright, Janice Tufte, Jeff Sakuma, Jesse Rawlins, Katherine Switz, Kristina Sawyckyj, Mark Goetcheus, Melinda Giovengo, Michael Erikson, Michael Quinn, Zsa Zsa Floyd

Council Members Absent: Anita Souza, Jodi Denney, Leslie Enzian, Rick Reynolds, Victoria Silver

Public Health Staff Present: Anne Meegan, Denise Hawthorne, Kim Nguyen, Rekha Ravindran, TJ Cosgrove

CALL TO ORDER

1. Welcome & Introductions

Jeff Sakuma welcomed members to the meeting of the HCHN Governance Council (GC). Full quorum present. Jeff also welcomed guests Benjamin Miksch, Harold Odom, Jennell Hicks, and LaMont Green who have submitted applications to join the GC and were there to observe meeting proceedings.

2. Minutes

GC members reviewed the minutes from the 3/16 meeting. Kristina Sawyckyj made motion to approve the minutes, Michael Erikson seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion, with Michael Quinn abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Each person who was present and submitted an application expressed their interests in joining the GC.

EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE WORK

1. Meeting Accessibility

The GC discussed issues with virtual meetings and considered convening a workgroup to focus on strengthening accessibility when in-person options are not available. Members also discussed the wider inequities related to COVID-19 closures and its impact on community members.

OTHER ITEMS

1. HCHN Admin Updates

a. Staffing Update

Anne introduced Norah Erwin-Stewart, the new Mobile Senior Health Program Manager.

b. HRSA Funding

HCHN received two funding awards from HRSA to support COVID-19 response efforts; the plan is to use the smaller first award to support expanded nursing capacity to support homeless service sites, and the second larger award will be equitably distributed to current HCHN contractors for a variety of COVID-19 response activities.

c. SAC Updates

The SAC application to fund HCHN's next 3-year grant cycle is due in August and the deadline is unlikely to get extended. The HCHN Admin Team is looking into options for extending the RFP due date, previously closing in mid-May, given the current crisis.

d. Updates to HCHN Scope

The new Assessment Centers/Recovery Centers (ACRC) congregate care settings being developed to support COVID-19 response efforts have been added to the HCHN Scope of Project as temporary sites for the 330h HRSA grant.

e. Gates funding request

HCHN has been awarded additional funding from the Gates Foundation. The requested funding is planned to support costs for client assistance and harm reduction supplies.

f. HMC Mobile testing

HCHN has repurposed the 3rd mobile medical van for Harborview Medical Center (HMC) to provide COVID-19 testing – sites are still being finalized but will go live this week and plans to provide services 10 hours per day/7 days a week.

2. *COVID-19 Homelessness Response*

TJ Cosgrove, Public Health’s Community Health Services Division Director, shared updates on the current state of COVID-19 cases among people experiencing homelessness and the King County response overall. Members were referred to the COVID-19 Homelessness Response [webpage](#) to stay updated.

REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS

1. *HCHN Committee Updates and Actions*

a. *Community Advisory Group (CAG)*

The CAG discussed areas of concern for people experiencing homelessness in the midst of the COVID-19 outbreak, and are drafting a letter to share with key stakeholders for the GC to review. The GC discussed additional service gaps and impacts on community members.

b. *Program Evaluation Committee (PEC)*

The PEC is accepting new members if anyone on the GC is interested. Members reviewed an FAQ that described the scope of the committee’s work.

c. *Executive Committee (EC)*

No specific updates shared.

2. *GC Membership/Vacancies*

Jeff asked Ben, Harold, Jennell, and LaMont, as applicants to the GC, to leave the meeting. He shared that the EC reviewed all six applications for the two open slots. The EC could not come to consensus on the top two and instead decided to highlight the following three candidates for the full GC to consider:

- Benjamin Miksch, Housing Specialist with UnitedHealthcare Community Plan
- Jennell Hicks, CEA Capacity Builder Program Manager at King County Department of Community and Human Services
- LaMont Green, Youth Homelessness Manager at All Home, King County

The GC discussed all six applicants and came to consensus on the two slots. The following motion was made:

Zsa Zsa Floyd made motion that Jennell Hicks and LaMont Green be accepted as new members of the GC; Michael E. seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

GC members who complete terms in August 2020 were asked to consider interests in renewal for a 4-year term.

3. *Board Letters – Next Steps*

The GC discussed another iteration of a letter on encampment sweeps and can discuss at a future meeting.

4. *Bylaws/Co-applicant Agreement – Electronic Voting*

The GC discussed amending the bylaws to allow for electronic voting. The EC will review the bylaws at their next meeting and bring to the May GC meeting for approval.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:28pm.

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