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Balance of State Continuum of Care

Veteran Advisory Board Minutes

November 18, 2020

1. Open Meeting
2. Secretary- Angela Friend
3. Introductions and Agency Updates
   1. **Present:** Casey Levrich, Angela Friend, Lori Kirchgatter, Mike Hanke, Richard Holmstrom, Cindy Kuzdas, Iraida Vazquez, Jennifer Allen, Larry Gamble, Debbie Meye, Ryan Graham, Yvonne Duesterhoeft, Jeremy Schmidt, Chandler Miller, Kirstin Holmgren, Cassandra Barnett
   2. **Excused:** Adam Groskreutz, Sharen Pease, Sandy Deich, Deb Thibaudeau
   3. **Absent:** David Hunt, Sarah Anderson, Justin Warner

**Angela** –(CVI)We still continue to work every other day in the office. We are not doing in person meetings with veterans and continue to do everything virtual. SSVF still has EHA funding to help eligible veterans with hotel stays.

**Casey**-(HUD VASH) Hired a new staff member that will be starting January 19th

**Lori Kirchgatter-** (VORP)-most staff are working from home, can meet with participants depending on the severity of the situation, need to get admin approval to go into homes-then proper PPE is used. Still taking referrals. If anyone knows of any veterans that need of treatment, please let them know.

**Mike Hanke-** Oct 1 went from a 30-bed program to a 48-bed program. Current census is at 26 and just had 2 successful graduations this week.

**Richard Holmstrom** – Been busy filling the HUD VASH vouchers – 1 in WI left. Can assist veterans with getting cell phones. Just received permission to enter data into HMIS.

**Cindy- Kuzdas** – Still working the HMIS audit. Currently working from home, due to the main office having some COVID issues.

**Iraida** –(**Jennifer Allen) –** Still plugging away. Reminder to check HMIS/ART trainings

**Larry Gamble** –Site Director-Union Grove phone system not working. Paused intakes, still taking referrals though.

**Ryan Graham –**WIBOS-SSVF/VORP partners continue to work the CE list

1st – Lori Kirchgatter

2nd – Larry Gamble

1. October Meeting Minutes Approved with Above Corrections
2. Next step in ending homelessness across the WIBOSCOC
   1. **Sub-Committee updates**:

**By name list -** Work groups: **Lori Kirchgatter** to chair the by name list and the regional breakdown which will now be combined. Going to do one big meeting for all WISBOS. Thank you to ICA for pulling the list by VA Medical Centers. Looking to set up a time for a meeting in January. Lori is going to send out a doodle poll for next meeting

**Members**- Lori Kirchgatter - Jennifer Allen – Richard Holmstrom - Chandler Miller– Ryan Graham - Yvonne Duesterhoeft - Kristin Holmgren - Sharen Pease – Angela Friend – Casey Levrich

* 1. **Landlord Engagement** – Meeting was scheduled for group to get together for first time

**Members** – Debbie Meye – Cindy Kuzdas -Yvonne Duesterhoeft – Jeremy - Sandy

**Goals**: To get landlords together in one place for rental to veterans

1. No updates to change the charter
2. Next Meeting: 12/16/2020, 11 AM
3. Reminder to complete the match form after every meeting
4. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting ended at 11:30 PM.