

Health Care for the Homeless (HCHN) Governance Council

May 18, 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 042020_final
PUBLIC COMMENT	Jeff Sakuma	4:25	Inform, Discuss	
EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE WORK 1. Equity and COVID-19 Response Efforts	Eleta Wright, Harold Odom	4:30	Inform, Discuss	
OTHER ITEMS 1. COVID-19 Homelessness Response 2. HCHN Admin Updates a. COVID emergency funds plan 3. Revised RFP plan/timing	Denise Hawthorne, Anne Meegan, Jeff Sakuma	5:00	Inform, Discuss	
REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS 1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions a. Community Advisory Group <i>Action: CAG letter</i> b. Program Evaluation Committee <i>Action: new membership</i> c. Executive Committee <i>Action: GC member-at-large</i> 2. Bylaws – Electronic Voting <i>Action: review and approve</i> 3. GC Annual Retreat – June 15 4. Board Letters – Next Steps 5. Open Forum	Zsa Zsa Floyd, Janice Tufte, Jeff Sakuma	5:30	Inform, Discuss, Approve	- CAG Letter_051820 - FAQ_Program Evaluation Committee_021920 - PHSKC HCH Governance Bylaws_FINAL_amend 051820 [track changes]

PUBLIC COMMENT	Jeff Sakuma	6:10	Inform, Discuss	
ADJOURN		6:15		

NEXT MEETING [GC COVID-19 Response Planning Part 1]: Monday, June 15 2020, 4:15pm-6:15pm at the King County Chinook Building (401 5th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104), Room 115

HCHN Governance Council Members

- 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
- Jennell Hicks, King County Coordinated Entry for All
- Jesse Rawlins, Public Defender Association
- Jodi Denney, North King County Community Medicine Team
- Katherine Switz, MBA, The Stability Network
- Kristina Sawyckyj, Consumer Representative
- LaMont Green, King County All Home
- 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

MINUTES

Monday, May 18 2020
Zoom Meeting

Council Members Present: Anita Souza, Eleta Wright, Janice Tufte, Jeff Sakuma, Jennell Hicks, Jesse Rawlins, Katherine Switz, Kristina Sawyckyj, LaMont Green, Leslie Enzian, Mark Goetcheus, Melinda Giovengo, Michael Quinn, Zsa Zsa Floyd

Council Members Absent: Jodi Denney, Michael Erikson, Rick Reynolds, Victoria Silver

Public Health Staff Present: Anne Meegan, Denise Hawthorne, Rekha Ravindran

CALL TO ORDER

1. *Welcome & Introductions*

Jeff Sakuma welcomed members to the meeting of the HCHN Governance Council (GC). Full quorum present.

2. *Minutes*

GC members reviewed the minutes from the 4/20 meeting. Janice Tufte made motion to approve the minutes, Zsa Zsa Floyd seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE WORK

1. Equity and COVID-19 Response Efforts

Eleta Wright and Harold Odom led a discussion with the GC on the wider inequities related to COVID-19 closures and its impact on community members. Eleta also solicited member's interest/capacity in joining her to move forward GC priority #2: Support providers through training and workforce development strategies. Emphasize racial equity, trauma-informed care, and harm reduction.

OTHER ITEMS

1. COVID-19 Homelessness Response

Anne Meegan shared information on the current King County response to the COVID-19 outbreak, including the status of the outbreak among people experiencing homelessness and potential for testing expansion. Members were referred to the COVID-19 Homelessness Response [webpage](#) to stay updated.

Members also requested information about recent hepatitis A outbreaks; more information is available on Public Health's [data dashboard](#).

2. HCHN Admin Updates

a. COVID emergency funds plan

HCHN received additional funding from HRSA to support COVID-19 response efforts; a large portion will be equitably distributed to HCHN contractors for a variety of COVID-19 response activities. There are currently discussion underway on how to also use some HRSA funding to support testing expansion.

3. Revised RFP plan/timing

The SAC application has been postponed to Summer 2021 and more updates to come on the revised RFP timeline.

REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS

1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions

a. Community Advisory Group (CAG)

The CAG was updated on the current King County response to the COVID-19 outbreak. There is also a new membership application process to update the roster for GC approval.

The CAG also presented a draft letter to send out to key city/county leadership detailing community concerns for GC approval. Members discussed the contents, and suggested future letters on concerns around face covering guidance and accessibility of transit.

Eleta made motion for the GC to formally approve the CAG letter, LaMont Green seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion, with Jeff abstaining.

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)

There is one open slot on the EC for the GC member-at-large. Anyone who is interested should reach out to Rekha.

2. Bylaws – Electronic Voting

The EC met to formally review updates to the bylaws to allow for voting via electronic transmission. The GC reviewed the updated bylaws.

The EC made motion to recommend the GC approve the amendments to the bylaws, Eleta seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. The EC will discuss issues related to recording member participation at a future meeting.

Members also suggested a need to amend how meeting attendance is recorded. The EC will discuss in more depth at their next meeting.

3. GC Annual Retreat – June 15

The first part of the Annual Retreat is planned for 6/15, to focus on COVID response efforts among people experiencing homelessness. The EC will discuss agenda-setting and welcomes any input from other members.

4. Board Letters – Next Steps

The GC discussed considerations for future letters.

5. Open Forum

Highlights shared from a recent Environmental Justice Task Force meeting through the WA Governor's Interagency Council on Health Disparities, more information [here](#).

Member request to consider novel strategies to distribute water to people experiencing homelessness.

Harborview Medical Center will be furloughing some staff during June/July; may impact what services provided.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

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