

Health Care for the Homeless (HCHN) Governance Council

March 15, 2021, 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>	Kristina Sawyckyj	4:15	Inform, Approve	- HCHN GC Minutes 020821_final
PUBLIC COMMENT	Kristina Sawyckyj	4:20	Inform, Discuss	
OTHER ITEMS 1. Information Sharing – King County Council Priorities	Councilmember Joe McDermott, Lan Nguyen	4:25	Inform, Discuss	
REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS 1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions a. Community Advisory Group – 4/7 b. Executive Committee – 4/7 c. Racial Equity Workgroup – 4/12 d. Behavioral Health Workgroup – 3/17 e. Advocacy Committee – TBD 2. HCHN Admin Update a. Staffing Updates b. HCHN RFPs c. COVID-19 Homelessness Response 3. Open Forum	Kristina Sawyckyj, Zsa Zsa Floyd, Janice Tufte, Eleta Wright, Katherine Switz, Jesse Rawlins, Rekha Ravindran	5:00	Inform, Discuss	- Update on Racial Equity Working Group_March 15 2021
PUBLIC COMMENT	Kristina Sawyckyj	6:10	Inform, Discuss	
ADJOURN		6:15		

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HCHN Governance Council Members

- Anita Souza, PhD, MA, UW School of Nursing
- Christopher Craft, Friends of Youth
- Eleta Wright, MSW, Y Social Impact Center
- Eliza Hutchinson, MD, Country Doctor Carolyn Downs
- 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
- Jesus Rodriguez, Rodriguez Consulting & Interpretation Services
- Katherine Switz, MBA, The Stability Network
- Kristina Sawyckyj, Consumer Representative
- LaMont Green, Lived Experience Coalition
- Leslie Enzian, MD, HMC Medical Respite Program
- Mark Goetcheus, HMC Wound, Ostomy, Limb Preservation, & Amputee Services
- Melinda Giovengo, PhD, MA, YouthCare
- Rick Reynolds, Operation Nightwatch
- Someireh Amirfaiz, Ed.D. MHP, Non-Profit and Community Leader
- Zsa Zsa Floyd, Community Advocate

MINUTES

Monday, March 15 2021

Zoom Meeting

Council Members Present: Anita Souza, Eliza Hutchinson, Janice Tufte, Jeff Sakuma, Jennell Hicks, Jesse Rawlins, Jesus Rodriguez, Katherine Switz, Kristina Sawyckyj, Mark Goetcheus, Melinda Giovengo, Rick Reynolds, Someireh Amirfaiz, Zsa Zsa Floyd

Council Members Absent: Christopher Craft, Eleta Wright, LaMont Green, Leslie Enzian

Public Health Staff Present: Denise Hawthorne, Jody Rauch, Kim Nguyen, Mia Shim, Rekha Ravindran

CALL TO ORDER

1. *Welcome & Introductions*

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

2. *Minutes*

GC members reviewed the minutes from the 2/8 meeting. Jesus Rodriguez made motion to approve the minutes, Janice Tufte seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion, with Jeff Sakuma abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

OTHER ITEMS

1. *Information Sharing – King County Council Priorities*

Councilmember Joe McDermott, District 8, joined to share more about his interests/background, the King County Council's role, and learn more from members on gaps/opportunities in the system.

REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS

1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions

a. Community Advisory Group – 4/7

Kristina shared that members of the HCHN Admin Team shared updates and solicited feedback on COVID-19 vaccination planning for people experiencing homelessness.

b. Executive Committee – 4/7

Kristina shared that the EC discussed developing community agreements to bring to the CAG. Jennell Hicks has accepted a position with Public Health and will be stepping down from the GC. The open slot will be posted on the HCHN website, and members were encouraged to share the opportunity within their networks. This also opens up a position on the EC for GC member-at-large.

c. Racial Equity Workgroup – 4/12

Members of the Racial Equity Workgroup presented on their efforts to date, specifically related to HCHN Network Priority #1: *Provide help in developing policies around recruiting, hiring, and retention of employees of color and provide opportunities for upward mobility into leadership positions.* PowerPoint is attached.

d. Behavioral Health Workgroup – 3/17

Katherine Switz shared that the workgroup is continuing to draft a letter highlighting the need for BH services.

e. Advocacy Committee – TBD

Jesse Rawlins shared that the Advocacy Committee met and will initially focus efforts on safe consumption sites. Interested members are encouraged to join; the next meeting is planned for April and Rekha Ravindran can forward the Doodle poll.

2. HCHN Admin Update

a. Staffing Updates

Rekha noted that some members of the GC and CAG participated in a meet & greet with the candidate on 3/12. Feedback from that meeting was shared directly with the hiring manager, who will collaborate with the HCHN Admin Team on next steps.

b. HCHN RFPs

Rekha shared that the larger HCHN RFP has been [released](#) and applications are due April 9. She asked that members who are interested in participating in the review panel to reach out to her.

c. COVID-19 Homelessness Response

Rekha shared information on upcoming meetings to learn more about response efforts and help inform development of vaccine materials for people experiencing homelessness. Members were referred to the COVID-19 Homelessness Response [webpage](#) to stay updated.

3. Open Forum

The [2021 National Health Care for the Homeless Council Conference & Symposium](#) will be held in May, and members are encouraged to reach out to Rekha if interested in joining.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:02pm.

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