



**Plumas-Sierra Counties  
CoC Advisory Board Regular Meeting**  
**June 22, 2021**  
**10:00AM**  
**Minutes**

**1. Call to Order/Establish a Quorum/Introductions** Meeting was called to order at 10:03am. Voting members present include Tracey Ferguson, Aimee Heaney, Lea Salas, and Cathy Rahmeyer were present. Participating members included Denise Pyper, Anne Nielson, Wendi James, Paula Johnston, Liz Brunton, and Laurie Marsh. Additional participants included Paul Tunison, Shannon Goodwin, and Danielle Blust.

**2. Public Comments (limited to 3 mins. per comment)**

No public comments were submitted.

**3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 25, 2021**

Board members discussed and approved the meeting minutes from May 25, 2021. Tracey Ferguson motioned to approve the minutes as submitted, and Cathy Rahmeyer seconded. The motion unanimously passed.

**4. Discussion**

A. NorCal CoC Executive Board Meeting Updates - Tracey Ferguson

- i. Committee Member Form. Formalizing the committee memberships for the CoC Executive Board. Roster paperwork from the Lead Agency will be shared to ensure that they have completed the form. Tracey Ferguson will email the form and request to each individual.
- ii. HDIS LIVE!. Email sent by Lead Agency describes the new HDIS, which is the state system: Homeless Data Integration System for the State of CA. Users can access the website. All HMIS data is fed into the HDIS for the state.

Shannon Goodwin is the new coordinator for Lead Agency.  
<https://www.bcsh.ca.gov/hcfc/hdis.html>

LA wants to know and get feedback on the website from each CoC county. Email Trisha Boss or Tracey Ferguson with feedback on the new site.

- iii. Goals for the NorCal CoC from each Advisory Board. At the Executive Board meeting of June 17, 2021, funding sources and collaborations were discussed regarding service providers working together at the local level to achieve the main objectives of the local CoC Advisory Board. The goals should be based on local need. If a county lacks a homeless shelter; that is impactful, and the goal can be

to develop and build a homeless shelter. The idea is to pull local data on needs out of HMIS to help inform the goals. Goals will be defined and link to funding requests, per the performance contracts with State HCFC. Local goals will be related to the local needs and articulating what will be in the contracts. More information to come from Lead Agency.

- iv. Update Progress on NorCal CoC Governance Charter Review by Plumas-Sierra Counties CoC Advisory Board Working Group. Cathy Rahmeyer, Denise Pyper, and Tracey Ferguson met once and have initial comments. They will meet again in July 2021 and will then provide recommendations to this Advisory Board to share with the Executive Board in August 2021. Lassen and Siskiyou counties have reviewed and approved their recommendations to NorCal. Del Norte and Shasta will have comments, as well as Plumas. Modoc is unclear at this time.
- v. ESG CV 1 & CV 2 Funding Update. There is good news, as the State agreed for a reallocation to over-allocated categories from under-allocated funds. The purpose is shifting money so that everyone could be funded equitably. Paul Tunison is going to review in HMIS the projects so that they are tied to appropriate funding streams in ESG CV. He will be directly contacting agencies to do this program review.
- vi. "Performance" contracts per State Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC). HCFC will be looking at benchmarks, metrics, and thresholds based on the grants and contract goals. They are formalizing their process.

B. Debrief June 10, 2021, CE/HMIS Lead Agency Training. Paul Tunison provided training in person in June 2021 in Quincy on coordinated entry and use of VI-SPDAT. Several public housing authorities across the continuum have been awarded emergency housing vouchers through HUD. These agencies will have to go through CE training and implementation.

C. 20,000 Lives June 2, 2021, Quarterly Meeting Debrief. Aimee Heaney provided a brief overview to attendees of the priorities and goals of the Advisory Board and invited interested stakeholders to attend future meetings.

D. Plumas County Behavioral Health Commission. Bring awareness to the BH Commission of what this advisory board is doing. Add members to the email distribution list. Crossover participation with their members who are dealing with the same issue. Scott McCallum, PCIRC Executive Director, will be a commission member.

E. Plumas County MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan, 2020-23. Liz Brunton discusses the plan which will go to the Board of Supervisors in July. The contracts are year to year based on available MHSA funding. Due to COVID, the county has been funding programs through an extension prior to approval of this plan. Cathy Rahmeyer states that there is money for Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) housing, but the county needs to go after these opportunities.

F. Laura's Law (June 15, 2021, Plumas County Board of Supervisors Consent Agenda Item from Plumas County Behavioral Health). Laura's Law Resolution Waiver (AB1196) counties have to opt out by resolution. No additional funding is being provided and some requirements for treatment are being offered to clients currently. Plumas County, through Board of Supervisor action, has opted out. Denise Pyper adds she wanted to see discussion of AOT as part of MHSA 3-Year Plan and have an opportunity for public comment.

- G. Builder/Developer Forum (July 28, 2021, 11:30am-1pm, Nakoma Resort, Clio). What can we do about affordable and workforce housing. Missing capacity for all income levels that is affordable. Discussion on barriers and opportunities to getting housing built in Plumas County.
- H. Landlord Forum. Educating landlords on Housing Choice Voucher system. Do we want to organize and convene this forum? Cathy Rahmeyer and other members are interested.
- I. PCIRC and Homeless Services Presentation to Plumas County Board of Supervisors. Has not been scheduled yet.
- J. Recruitment of Participant Members. 20,000 lives and Behavioral Health Commissioners have been added. Open to adding stakeholder participants and new members.

## **5. New Business/Action Items**

- A. Voting Members/Alternate Members (Resignations or Renewals).

No action was taken. Continued until the July 2021 meeting.

- B. Addressing Homelessness (standing item)

PCIRC: Pangaea building was purchased by PCIRC.

PCBH: Anne Nielson has many clients in EL, as there are not enough TH units; more are being identified through EA and PRS programs. The past 6 weeks they have had 4-6 clients in EL. Did the Antlers Motel sell? Not known. They did not participate in Project Room Key through the state.

PRS: Paula Johnston – there is not a lot to share; same issues for DV clients – many are delaying leaving because they have no housing to go to. PRS houses victims from Plumas and Sierra Counties. Capacity for 10 individuals, or 3 families. There is more need than capacity for housing DV victims.

Sierra County: Lea Salas states that the old trailer park has been cleaned out from tear down; they are hoping there is forward motion with building a new mobile home park. 2<sup>nd</sup> trailer park may have changes; the owner wants to evict some people. The old site had up to 55 units. New owner has cleared the lot. What are eviction issues with the 2<sup>nd</sup> smaller park? Lea Salas is not aware of the issues driving evictions.

Plumas County Office of Education: Wendi James has no updates at this time.

- C. New Member Application, Paula Johnston, Plumas Rural Services. Lea Salas motioned to approve Paula Johnston as a participating member, and Aimee Heaney seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

## **6. Committee Appointments (standing item)**

Reminder to members to fill out committee forms for the Lead Agency.

## **7. Requests for Letters of Support (standing item)**

None were submitted.

## **8. Committee/Workgroup Updates**

- A. PIT Committee. Lea Salas and Cathy Rahmeyer discussed potential August PIT count on the dates 8/15/21-8/19/21. Specifics have not been finalized.

- B. HMIS/CEP Committee. Launch of coordinated entry and the VI-SPDAT process discussion at the last committee meeting.

## **9. Agency Updates**

None

## **10. County Updates**

This Advisory Board will continue with a hybrid approach for next meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend, in-person, at the meeting of July 27, 2021.

## **11. Discussion Items for Next Meeting**

- A. Action item to designate voting members and their alternates
- B. Executive Board updates
- C. Funding updates
- D. Discussion and action on Advisory Board goal recommendations to Executive Board
- E. Outreach to partners
- F. Developer/Builder Forum Debrief
- G. Volunteer hours and roster updates
- H. Lead Agency reporting

## **12. Adjournment**

Aimee Heaney motioned to adjourn and Cathy Rahmeyer seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:45am.

**Next Meeting:** July 27, 2021 (10:00AM)

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