

**Balance of State Continuum of Care Steering Committee  
August 14, 2006 - Minutes**

**Attending in Person**

Sharon Downing, Chair

Eileen Dwyer, Program Coordinator

Jonathan Hardy, Utah State Division of Community and Culture

Troy Vanderhule, St. Anne's Center

**On Conference Call:**

Sharon Relph, Four Corners Behavioral Health

Gloria Kariya, United Way, Northern Utah

Reggie Burnaugh, Homeless Veterans Fellowship

**Guest:**

Travis Anderson, Strategic Leadership Consulting, Inc.

1. Sharon Downing welcomed the members and introductions were made.
2. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Gloria Kariya, Jonathan Hardy seconded the motion and the members approved the minutes.
3. Area Updates
  - a. Bear River AOG – no one was available for an update.
  - b. Uintah AOG - no one was available for an update.
  - c. Southeastern AOG – Sharon Relph reported the Local Homeless Coordinating Committee is meeting monthly. There is a total of 56 low income units in the Moab area. Seekhaven Shelter has a new director, Brooke DeGraw. Brooke has been working at the shelter for four years. The community is considering an expansion project of 7-9 units for low-income housing using tax credits targeting the population of single adults with mental illness, some with criminal backgrounds and bad credit. These individuals are not appropriate to reside at The Willows and they don't get along with other populations.
  - d. Six County AOG – no one was available for an update.
  - e. Davis County - no one was available for an update.
  - f. Five County AOG – no one was available for an update.
  - g. Weber County – Gloria Kariya reported the Local Homeless Coordinating committee met on July 19<sup>th</sup>. SSI/SSDI training took place on June 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> and trained a number of case workers. Case workers who have been trained will also assist other agencies who need help. The "Housing First Chronic Homeless Project" for Weber County is continuing through the Ogden City Housing Authority. It has been a slow process but they have three clients approved for units. There is a new director for Salvation Army in Ogden. Salvation Army

is increasing the number of beds for women with substance abuse which is much needed in the Ogden area.

Reggie Burnaugh, Homeless Veterans Fellowship announced he was leaving the Fellowship and moving to New Orleans. Announcement for his replacement has been made and there has been three individuals submit resumes. The program is full and six individuals are living in permanent housing with one working. One individual has been interviewed and approved for the "Housing First" program with Ogden City Housing Authority.

4. Sharon Downing announced that Heidi Miller, Executive Director of Cedar City Housing Authority has agreed to be co-chair of the council. Gloria Kariya made the motion to nominate Heidi Miller as co-chair, Reggie Burnaugh seconded the nomination. There was no discussion and the members approved the nomination.
5. Jonathan Hardy announced the Homeless Summit will take place on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at the Sheraton Hotel, registration is on line and is \$20.00. The afternoon of the 3<sup>rd</sup> will be three different workshops, Supportive Housing, SSI/SSDI and HMIS.
6. Eileen Dwyer announced the state-wide website is being developed and should be completed by the time of the Strategic Planning Meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>.
7. Open Discussion took place to plan the agenda and day activities for the Strategic Planning Meeting.
8. Adjournment: Jonathan Hardy made the motion to adjourn and Troy Vanderhule seconded the motion. Members approved.

**Next Meeting September 11, 2006  
Strategic Planning Meeting  
Provo, Utah**