

**Utah Balance of State  
Homeless Coordinating Council, Inc.  
August 13, 2007  
Minutes**

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**Attending In Person:**

Sharon Downing, Chair  
Eileen Dwyer, Director  
Jeff Kane, Homeless Veterans Fellowship

**On Conference Call:**

Gloria Kariya, United Way Northern Utah  
Rachelle Brown, UHMIS Assistant  
Norma Jurado, Uintah Basin AOG  
Debbie Stark, YCC  
Carol Bolsover, ICCS  
Claudia Shields, Four Corners Behavioral Health

1. Introductions. Sharon Downing welcomed the participants and introductions were made.
2. Approval of Minutes. Sharon Downing asked for approval of the minutes for the June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Carol Bolsover motioned to approve the minutes; Debbie Stark seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
3. Area Updates and Pilot Projects
  - a. Bear River AOG - No report.
  - b. Uintah AOG – Norma Jurado reported they have begun the advertisement for contractors on rehabilitation of the project. They have successfully relocated the gentleman that was living in the house. They hope to have bids in and one selected by the end of August.
  - c. Southeastern AOG – Waiting to hear about adding the additional apartments.
  - d. Six County AOG - None
  - e. Davis County - None
  - f. Five County AOG – Met last month and finalize the agreement and forms to begin the pilot project. Once everything is approved, applications will be taken from individuals for the program.
  - g. Weber County- There was no meeting in July. Ten Year Plan is ready to go to the Commissioner for final approval.

4. Sharon Downing stated her two years were completed in July. Christine Nguyen had been nominated at the new chair for the Balance of State. Norma Jurado made the motion to accept Christine Nguyen as the new chair for the Utah Balance of State Homeless Coordinating Council. Carol Bolsover seconded the motion. Council approved the motion. Christine will take over the council at the September Strategic Planning meeting.
5. The draft agenda for the Annual Strategic Planning Day was distributed to the council for suggestions. Some of the suggestions that were made and will be added to the agenda are: annual report, celebration our successes, presentations about different housing programs, information on accessing mainstream resources, and help with HMIS. These suggestions will be included in the agenda
6. Announcements/Other Business  

Eileen Dwyer announced there is a bill in committee on the McKinney-Vento Reauthorization. The bill is S.1518 introduced by Senator Jack Reed. The bill is called "Community Partnership to End Homelessness Act (CPEHA)". Two changes in this bill that will greatly help the rural areas of Utah are: adding funding to support homeless families and prevention of homelessness. She asked the council to send letters to Senators Bennett and Hatch asking for their support and to co-sponsor the bill. The bill can be found on the National Alliance to End Homelessness website. [www.naeh.org](http://www.naeh.org)
7. Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 pm