

**NE Oklahoma Continuum of Care Full Partnership
Minutes
Thursday, January 26, 2023, at 12:00 p.m.**

Virtual Meeting

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Attendees: Lauren Woodward, CREOKS, Tahlequah
Jessica Minton – VA – Fayetteville
Stacey Capps – NEOCAA
Cindy Bedford – The Landing
Sherri Sherwood – FFATC
Cassie Clark - SafeNet
Katie Wilson – Youth and Family Services
Keila Dewey – CCC
John Ann Thompson – NEOCAA
Natalie Shelton – TMS
Denise Phelps - GMHC

Vice President Denise Phelps called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

1. Introduction of Guests Cathy Caughron – Womens Outreach of Hope, Pryor
2. Updates and events None
3. Consideration and action regarding November 17, 2022, COC Full Partnership minutes Keila moved, and John Ann seconded to approve the minutes with the change of the heading from “Agenda” to “Minutes”. Keila called roll, adopted unanimously
4. Consideration and action regarding the December 7, 2022, COC Full Partnership Special meeting minutes
Keila moved, and Katie seconded to approve the minutes with the change of the heading from “Agenda” to “Minutes”. Keila called roll, adopted unanimously
5. Committee updates, recommendations, and action items
 - a. Planning Committee Chairman Natalie Shelter said the committee would resume their duties after the PIT count is completed
 - b. HIC & PIT Committee
 - i. PIT Count takes place this coming Tuesday, January 31. Both Natalie and Denise need the links sent to them from Lindi, so that they can forward it to their teams. Jessica said Northwest Arkansas counties had just finished the bulk of their count on software called “Ipiercein” (sp?). Old Fort Homeless Coalition covers Crawford, Franklin, Logan, Polk, Scott and Sebastian counties in Arkansas. Since we border them, if we have any

additions to their count please contact Jessica @ Jessica.minton@va.gov or 479-200-4014.

- c. HMIS Committee, Ashley Benz John Ann gave the report in Ashley's absence. We have served 93 more clients since November. Please run your reports after entry and fix any errors on 6A-6D. The highest error rate has been in income, and lack of annual evaluations. Be sure to complete ROI's.

Natalie moved, and Keila seconded to accept the committee reports as presented. Keila called roll. Adopted unanimously.

6. New business

- a. Officers and Board of Directors, to be elected in February and confirmed immediately after at the board meeting. These are two-year terms. See page 2 of the agenda for roles. John Ann listed the 8 board members to be voted upon in the February meeting, from the 2021 list. Some of the members are no longer in our area, and so will need replaced.
- b. Reminder: Lindi will hold general invite meetings/open to public info meetings
 - i. 3/1 @ 10am (virtual)
 - ii. 6/12 @ 10am (virtual)
 - iii. 7/27 @ noon (Live) – Need host/location
 - iv. 10/25 @ 6pm (virtual)Denise reviewed the list of meetings for the year, and asked for a volunteer to host the July meeting. John Ann said NEOCAA would do it, if no one else will.

7. Next meeting, February 23rd, 2023. Denise announced the next meeting on Feb. 23rd via Zoom.

Additional comments: John Ann said that ODOC had given TMS and CCC extra CV2 funds because we met our spending criteria. She asked if anyone else in the CoC had gotten funds. Denise said GMHC had asked for \$180,000, but it was found they didn't meet the 75% spending threshold, so the funds were denied. No one else said they received funds.

Natalie announced that TMS has received a B Core grant, which is \$300,000 a year for 3 years. This is the first time this grant has been awarded to them, so they are very excited.

Discussion turned to the desperate need for family shelters in Northeast Oklahoma. There are DV and substance abuse shelters, but no shelters for the people who are simply homeless. The Salvation Army has tightened their requirements for assistance, so that has further hampered clients receiving help. Rent is beyond many client's means, so they may be employed, but still living in their car. Natalie noted that many homeless clients have so many barriers that it is likely they will never qualify for housing.

Keila moved, and Lauren seconded to adjourn the meeting. Adopted unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Proposed 2023 meeting schedule *(all dates are the last Thursday of the month):*

February 23rd

March 30th

April 27th*

May 25th

June 29th

July 27th*

Aug 31st

September 28th

October 26th*

November 30th

No December meeting due to holidays

**Board meeting following*

Role	Current Representative	Date Elected	Term End Date
Unaccompanied Youth, ESG			
Victims of Domestic Violence			
Substance Abuse, ESG			
Families With Children, ESG			
Victims of Domestic Violence			
Mainstream Resources			
Veterans Services & NA Tribes			
Chronically Homeless			
Social Services			
Collaborative Applicant & HMIS Lead			
Homeless/Formerly Homeless			
Seriously Mentally Ill			
CHDO, Housing Dev. Services			
Education			