

Sonoma County Continuum of Care Funding and Evaluation Committee



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Funding and Evaluation Committee Meeting

Thursday, June 8, 2023

2:00pm-5:00pm

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 2:03pm

Present

Teddie Pierce
Dennis Pocekay
Una Glass
Don Schwartz
Dannielle Danforth
Rebekah Sammet
Chessy Etheridge
Hunter Scott
John Baxter
Kelli Kuykendall
Margaret Sluyk
Wendell Coleman

Not Present

Matthew Verscheure

Public

13 Members

Staff

Michael Gause
Thai Hilton
Dave Kiff
Adam Siegenthaler
Chuck Mottern

2. Consent Calendar (00:08:17)

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- Agenda Review – no emergency items added
- Minutes 4.19.23, 4.27.23, 5.11.23 (ACTION ITEM)
 - Discussion ensued about the minutes format from the 4.19.23, 4.27.23, 5.11.23 Funding and Evaluation (F&E) Committee meetings.
 - **Rebekah motioned to approve the minutes from the 4.19.23, 4.27.23, 5.11.23 Funding and Evaluation (F&E) Committee meetings with the understanding moving forward that the minutes format will follow the standard listed within the CoC charter.**
 - **Dennis seconded.**
- Public Comment: None
 - **Motion did NOT pass.**
In favor: Dennis, Rebekah, John, Wendell
Opposed: None
Abstained: Teddie, Una, Don, Chessy, Hunter, Margaret, Kelli, Dannielle
Not present: Matthew
 - More discussion ensued.
 - **Rebekah amended her motion to table the minutes from the 4.19.23, 4.27.23, 5.11.23 Funding and Evaluation (F&E) Committee meetings to allow more time for committee review and minutes be reformatted into the approved format listed within the Continuum of Care (CoC) charter.**
 - **Una seconded.**
- Public Comment: None
 - **Motion passed.**
In favor: Teddie, Una, Dennis, Don, Margaret, Dannielle, Rebekah, Kelly, Chessy, John, Wendell
Opposed: Hunter
Abstained: None
Not present: Matthew

3. HMIS Lead Evaluation (00:31:05)

- **Una motioned to table the HMIS Lead Evaluation until the next F&E Committee meeting and make it an action item.**
- **Dennis seconded.**
- Public comment: None
- **Motion passed.**
In favor: Teddie, Una, Dennis, Don, Margaret, Dannielle, Kelly, Chessy, John,

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Hunter, Wendell

Opposed: None

Abstained: Rebekah

Not present: Matthew

4. Consideration of 2023-24 Remaining Applications (00:40:05)

- Process Framework Discussion
 - The recusal process was discussed.
 - Dannielle and Chessy were recused.
- Review of Residual Applications
 - Discussion ensued.
 - Annie Falandes discussed Homeless Action Sonoma's project and was asked if they would accept \$90,000 to fund direct services within their budget.
- **Public comment (01:35:48)**
 - Elizabeth Goldman expressed curiosity about the \$0 staff recommendation for the Homeless Action Sonoma project, explained that there are different kinds of prevention and organizations are not duplicating applications but rather trying to put together a full program to serve the community.
- **Una motioned to fund Homeless Action Sonoma \$90,000**
 - **Dennis seconded**
- **Public comment (01:40:37)**
 - Jenny Beck from Community Action Partnership notified the committee that she was available to answer any questions pertaining to her organization if needed.
 - Alethea Larson asked if the Living Room would still be able to receive an allocation of the \$413,000, considering the motion on the table. Teddie responded the motion could change.
 - Madeleine Keegan O'Connell from YWCA emphasized that her organization serves all parts of Sonoma County and if there was a chance for them to receive more funds they would gladly accept.
 - Gregory Fearon clarified SAVS didn't receive more funding but the funds they cut out of their budget were funds they were hoping to receive. They tightened their budget and didn't ask for all they need.
- **Dennis re-stated the motion to allocate the remaining \$413,289.47 be funded to West County Community Services for their navigation center, \$96,000 to Community Action Partnership for A. A. A Sloan House emergency shelter, \$95,000 to Homeless Action Sonoma for non-congregate shelter via the home and safe center. \$90,000 to Sonoma Applied Village Services (SAVS) for street outreach, \$72,360 to YWCA**

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Sonoma County for emergency shelter, \$59,929 and 47 cents.

- **Teddie seconded**
- Discussion ensued.
- **Motion passed**
In favor: Teddie, Una, Dennis, Don, Margaret, Kelly, John, Rebekah
Opposed: None
Abstained: Hunter
Not present: Matthew, Wendell
Recused: Chessy, Dannielle
- **Don motioned that the Funding and Evaluation Committee recommend to the CoC Board that they ask staff to seriously consider an option and cost out an option to evaluate prevention options for the CoC going forward, using the \$150,000 or other funding sources to implement the strategic plan.**
- **Teddie seconded.**
- Discussion ensued.
- **Motion passed**
In favor: Teddie, Una, Dennis, Don, Margaret, Kelly, Chessy, John, Hunter
Opposed: None
Abstained: None
Not present: Matthew, Wendell
Recused: Dannielle

5. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda (02:01:49)

- Gregory Fearon encouraged the F&E committee to review the agenda for the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors meeting on next Tuesday.
- Elizabeth Goldman expressed appreciation for the spreadsheet in the back of the packet and requested that the entire spreadsheet be included next time.
- Leo Chyi clarified that Gregory Fearon was referring to a Board County Board of Supervisors meeting happening on Monday, June 12th. Tuesday was the start of budget hearings.

6. Adjourn (02:08:10)

- **Una motioned to adjourn**
- **Chessy seconded**
- **All in favor**
- **Meeting adjourned at 4:08pm**

Next Meeting: June 14, 2023, 1-2:30PM

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PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO THE COMMITTEE MEETING: Public Comment may be submitted via email to Andrew.Akufo@sonoma-county.org

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