

**Executive Committee Meeting
8:30-9 a.m., December 1, 2017
Sonny West Conference Center at the Howard Office Building
700 2nd Avenue South, Nashville**

Present: Liz Allen Fey, Renee Pratt, Wendell Segroves, Mina Johnson, Paula Foster
Staff: Judith Tackett, Sunni Brimsy, Abigail Dowell

Wendell motioned to approve minutes, Mina seconded, minutes approved.

Director's Report – Policies to review for Commission Meeting

1. Commissioner Stipend Policy- As of Nov. 2017, individuals with lived experience serving on the commission will receive \$100 per meeting where meeting is required. Liz asked to clarify if this applied only to those currently experiencing homelessness or to individuals who had previous experience. Judy clarified that it was for individuals currently experiencing homelessness. Judy reviewed the HUD definition of literal homelessness (living on the streets, in an emergency shelter, in a car, or living in a place not meant for habitation), Paula recommended including both hotels and couch surfing as well as recommended to remove "HUD's" definition for literal homelessness, as the commission's definition will be more broad.
2. Homelessness Commission NES Payment - Utilities, NES, and financial assistance for individuals exiting homelessness into housing will be provided by the commission; eligibility under How's Nashville; Paula recommended eligibility requirements be added to this policy; Wendell inquired if How's Nashville would continue if the CoC and MHC merge, Judy stated that yes, it would continue.
3. How's Nashville Financial Assistance - How's Nashville donations are dispersed to assist individuals and families exiting homelessness with moving costs.
4. Annual Bus Pass Policy- MHC partners with MTA for "drive to end homelessness." This is a 1 year pilot program to incentivize individuals experiencing chronic homelessness to work with a housing navigator towards permanent housing. Judy will add "chronic or at risk of chronic homelessness" to definition. Also incentivizes housing navigators to keep up with clients.

Announcements

Judy reminded everyone that the annual homeless memorial will be December 16th at Riverfront Park. Breakfast served at 8:30a followed by a service at 9:00a.

Judy inquired if commissioners would be interested in participating in the Point in Time count. Due to the sensitivity of the count process, there may not be space available for all commissioners interested in participating. It was suggested that commissioners who have never participated in the count and are interested, should have first priority for being placed on a team. It was decided to discuss at next commission meeting in January.

Liz requests update on cold weather bill, Wendell states that the bill had been floored.
Commission meeting moved to January 12th.

Move to adjourn, motion seconded, meeting adjourned 8:53am.