

Meeting Minutes

Supportive Housing Subcommittee Meeting

1 Civic Plaza, Fifth Floor, FCS Conference Room

May 15, 2018 5-6:30pm

1. Robert Baade called the meeting to order at 5:21pm.
2. Roll Call: Subcommittee Members present were Robert Baade, Laura Nguyen, and Mark Walch. Sr. Agnes Kaczmarek and Laura Carlisle were both absent. Staff Members present were Dave Webster, Cathy Imburgia, and Alex Tonigan
3. Laura Nguyen made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented; the motion passed
4. Mark Walch made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the March meeting; the motion passed.
5. Old Business
 - A) Membership Status—Robert stated that he has asked for additional voting members and he believes now would be a good time to add them. The hope is that this will happen soon.
 - B) Committee Service Intent—All three voting members present signed their intention to remain on the Committee.
6. New Business
 - A) The Committee was officially notified that Dave Webster is taking over staffing the Committee from Cathy Imburgia.
 - B) The Phase II bullet talking points were reviewed with the Committee. Specifically: “Since the beginning of the BHI, it was envisioned that the ABCGC would replace itself with a BHI Governing Board. The ABCGC may elect to make this change during Phase II. The BHI Governing Board, the Small Task Force, the Steering Committee and the Subcommittees will meet quarterly and as needed, instead of monthly. Then focus of these bodies will change during Phase II. In addition to continuing to advise on proposed activities to be funded, these bodies will play a much larger role in reviewing the BHI funded program performance”.
 - C) Much general discussion regarding the transfer from advising to hearing about program performance of the programs funded. The importance of continued transparency and accountability was repeatedly stressed. Robert asked if the Phase II governing structure is to include APS; Dave reported he would try to find an answer for that question and get it to Robert ASAP.
 - D) The new proposal for a one time increase in funding for housing vouchers was discussed at length. Among the questions and concerns raised were:
 - a. Shouldn't the title be a one time increase for Transitional Housing Vouchers?

- b. The proposal needs to define whether or not the 28 day treatment referred to was inpatient or outpatient and then use that same language consistently throughout the proposal.
- c. How the target population is defined is uncertain. How is the presence of a drug use disorder defined? Is the target population the result of a gaps analysis?
- d. How the housing vouchers are to be administered and monitored needs to be identified.
- e. Would people at Oxford house qualify? What about those without a social security number?
- f. The outcome measures seem a bit ambitious, and how is that data going to be collected? Does BC Housing collect that data? The program participation is limited to two months, so why are the outcomes seemingly long term?
- g. Under evidence base, why is there no mention of the current waiting list situation that proves the need for these additional vouchers?

E) Steering Committee update was covered during the Phase II discussion.

- 7. There were no public comments
- 8. The May Mental Health Month Event on 5/22/18 was again brought up as a reminder for all Committee members. The Ribbon Cutting for the RRC was also mentioned and an invitation issued.
- 9. The next meeting was determined to be on 6/20/18 at 5:30. The meeting will be moved to the third Wednesday of each month or as necessary. This change is to accommodate staff schedules.
- 10. Mark Walch made a motion to adjourn, and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33pm.