

Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care

CoC Board Meeting

August 25, 2021

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Members Present: Daphne Adams, Marqus Butler, Tavia Hatfield, Daisy Lopez, John Meier, Norma Mercado, Kyle Moore, Emily Northrup, Dani Shaw, Barry Wheeler, Linda White, and Antonio Williams

Members Absent: Katherine Bisson, Andrea Omojola, and Pamela Segura

Staff Present: Kraig Blaize-Fiero, Sophia Checa, Margaret Hill, Mary Stahlke, Jim Ward

Topic	Discussion Summary	Action/Next Steps
Welcome	Board Chair, Daphne' Adams welcomed everyone. Meeting called to order without quorum. Quorum reached at 2:15 PM.	None
Consent Agenda	The board approved the Consent Agenda: ITEM 1: Approval of the following item(s) presented in the meeting materials: 7/28/2021 Board Meeting Notes ITEM 2: The board accepts the following report: July CoC Lead Agency Report	Staff will post meeting minutes on the THN website.
CoC Board Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2021 CoC Board election has ended, and the new members were announced. Results will be posted to the THN website. Board members discussed whether or not the board needs to approve the results of board elections. The Board expressed their ratification of the election results. 	Staff will add guidance about board approval of board member election results to the CoC Board Requirements Policy
CoC Program	<p>The NOFO for the 2021 CoC Program Competition was release on 8/18.</p> <p>The board voted to approve the Board Action Request (BAR) to add the following policies to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the local (CoC-level) competition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit grant term for new projects to one year of funding. Do not allow projects requesting capital costs to be funded. Require all applicants for new projects to receive technical assistance from THN. Incentivize, through the scoring process, projects to partner with healthcare organizations and housing providers. 	Staff will incorporate these policies into the RFP and email the board members to vote electronically on approval of the RFP before it is released.

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	The BAR also included a proposal for an electronic vote by the members of the board on the final version of the RFP before it is released.	
Texas Conference on Ending Homelessness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff are monitoring health authority recommendations on COVID and may cancel the conference as conditions change. A decision will be made about how to proceed by the next board meeting. • Board members expressed a desire to leave the CoC General Meeting on the same date (10/4) regardless of whether or not the conference happens. • If the conference is canceled, there may be changes in the schedule for board orientation. 	Staff will keep the board members informed about the status of the conference.
CoC Strategic Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The TX Bos CoC Strategic Plan is complete. It will be sent to the board for approval at their September meeting. • Staff is exploring using grant funding to compensate Lived Experience Workgroup members that will evaluate implementation of the plan. 	Staff will explore options for compensation of participants in the Lived Experience Workgroup, and report back to the board.
CoC Board Meetings	Staff presented a proposed revised schedule for board meetings because of the CoC Program local competition's needs and due dates	Staff will send the board members the revised meeting dates.
Announcements	USICH is now accepting comment on the development of the Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness.	N/A
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 3:17 PM	N/A

Next Board Meeting: September 22, 2021