

Kelowna Community Advisory Board on Homelessness Minutes

DATE: October 11,2018

Chair: Randy Benson

Minutes Recorder: Mia Burgess, COF

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

P = Present, A = Absent, R = Regrets

	SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE:	NAME:	ORGANIZATION:
P	Chair	Randy Benson	Kelowna Gospel Mission
P	Funder	Reanne Amadio	United Way
P	Rehabilitation	Mona Hennenfent	Brain Trust Canada
P	Housing / Shelter	Liz Talbott	NOW Canada
-	Provincial Government/Youth	<i>vacant</i>	<i>vacant</i>
-	Aboriginal	<i>vacant</i>	<i>vacant</i>
P	Aboriginal	Tina Larouche	Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society
P	Education	Phil Bond	UBC Okanagan
P	Provincial Government/Health	Sandra Robertson	Interior Health Authority
P	Mental Health/Housing	Mike Gawliuk	Canadian Mental Health Association
P	Faith	Don Richmond	Evangel Church
-	Corrections	<i>vacant</i>	<i>vacant</i>
P	Diversity/Community Information/Volunteerism	Ellen Boelcke	KCR-Community Resources
R	Provincial Government/Housing	Nanette Drobot	BC Housing
R	Front Line Youth	Diane Entwistle	Okanagan Boys & Girls Clubs
R	Municipal Government	Sue Wheeler	City of Kelowna
-	Provincial Government/Income Assistance	<i>vacant</i>	Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation
Non-Voting Members:			
P	Central Okanagan Foundation	Cheryl Miller	Community Entity/Foundation / Funder
P	Central Okanagan Foundation	Mia Burgess	Community Entity/Foundation / Funder
P	Service Canada	Wayne Ackerman	Federal Government
R	Service Canada	Lisa McHaffie	Federal Government
Alternates:			
P	Provincial Government/Housing	Matt Camarind	BC Housing
P	Front Line Youth	Sarah McKinnon	Okanagan Boys & Girls Clubs
P	Municipal Government	Glenda Cooper	City of Kelowna

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- CAB-H Members, Steven Fuhr, MP

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION
1. Welcome to new members and guests and Introductions – Randy	
Ellen arrived at 10:15 Tina arrived at 10:40	
2. Approval of April 4,2018 Minutes and October 11, 2018 Agenda – Randy	
No comments.	
3. April 2019-March 2020 Reaching Home funds-Mona	
<p>Liz, Randy, Mike and Sarah left the room prior to the discussion as they are employed at agencies currently receiving HPS funds and cannot be involved in the funding discussion. Tina arrived at the meeting after this discussion concluded.</p> <p>Mia presented funding amounts and activities for current sub-projects funded for 2018-2019 as follows:</p> <p>Designated Communities stream:</p> <p>Canadian Mental Health Association-Kelowna: \$224,523</p> <p>From April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 the Canadian Mental Health Association will employ one full-time Housing Locator and two full-time Housing First Case Managers to deliver a Housing First program that meets fidelity standards.</p> <p>New Opportunities for Women-Canada Society: \$136,705</p> <p>From April 1, 2018-March 31, 2019 New Opportunities for Women Canada Society will utilize HPS funds to employ one part-time Client Support Worker, 7 nights of staffing at the Fuller House, 7 nights of staffing at Gail’s House and 4 nights per week of dinner staffing at Gail’s House.</p> <p>Okanagan Boys and Girls Clubs: \$122,400</p> <p>From April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, the Okanagan Boys and Girls Clubs will employ one full-time Program Coordinator and one full- time Residence Worker.</p> <p>Kelowna’s Gospel Mission: \$77,679</p> <p>From April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, Kelowna’s Gospel Mission will fund one full-time outreach worker to provide services to people who are homeless or at risk of experiencing homelessness.</p>	

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<p>Aboriginal Homelessness stream:</p> <p>Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society: \$198,461</p> <p>From April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, the Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society will employ three full-time Housing Support Outreach Workers.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) confirmed Reaching Home will renew DC and AH funding at current Social Infrastructure top-up amounts annually: DC: \$561, 307 AH: \$198,461 = \$759, 768 • ESDC states it is an option for communities to carry 2018-2019 projects over for 2019-2020 because the new directives for funding are in draft form and haven't been released • ESDC hasn't signed new funding agreements with CEs yet • ESDC hasn't released a new community plan template yet • When the Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) was released in 2014, CAB-H voted to continue current projects for 2014-2015-the first fiscal year of the new HPS/CE agreement • Wayne identified options: could fund all or no current sub-projects, could carry-over sub-projects for a portion of a fiscal year or carry over for full fiscal year or could do a direct award • Contract negotiations and funding agreements must be completed and agreements signed by March 31, 2019 for a April 1, 2019 start date • Time constraints limit ability to run a call for proposals • CE has not signed new funding agreement with Ottawa yet • Question: are current sub-projects able to continue for one year? Mia: yes • If CAB-H carries sub-projects over for one year, the next call for proposals to allocate funds will be for fiscal year 2020-2021 • Always seems to be a push to get money out to the community fast • Seems we have options but some not possible due to timeframes <p>Motion: Continue current HPS agreements for 2019-2020 in the following amounts:</p> <p>Designated Communities:</p> <p>Priority 1: Canadian Mental Health Association-Kelowna: \$224,523</p> <p>Priority 2:</p> <p>New Opportunities for Women-Canada Society: \$136,705</p> <p>Okanagan Boys and Girls Clubs: \$122,400</p> <p>Kelowna's Gospel Mission: \$77,679</p>	

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<p>Aboriginal Homelessness stream: Priority 2: Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society: \$198,461</p> <p>Motion to renew currently funded HPS agreements for fiscal year 2019-2020: Ellen; seconded: Mona.</p>	
4. Community Entity Update-Mia	
<p>Mia was invited to be a member of two ESDC National Advisory committees. She traveled to Ottawa in September for initial meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HPS/RH Coordinated Access Reference Group (asked to keep information discussed in this group confidential) • HIFIS Working Group <p>The HIFIS meeting focussed on four major items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The introduction of a HIFIS business model to manage HIFIS change requests and enhancements; • The importance of establishing a governance model in the implementation and maintenance of HIFIS; and • A discussion of changes to be included in the next releases of HIFIS, most significantly of which was the By-Name List (BNL). • Feedback on how to improve HIFIS. <p>The BC10 has consulted with BCH and ESDC with the goal of determining how BCH and HPS/RH CEs will collect data from HIFIS. More information to come.</p> <p>BC10 Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mia has been consulting with the BC10 to ensure collective community concerns are shared at the national tables she is a member of • Theresa and Mia (co-chairs) are currently undertaking an assessment of BC10 members' unique community needs to incorporate into a work plan • BCH staff attends quarterly meetings to participate in ongoing discussions regarding HIFIS, VAT and funding. <p>Update on the roll out of VAT/CAA and HIFIS in BC communities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following communities have implemented or are in the process of implementing CAA: Surrey, Abbotsford, Maple Ridge, Chilliwack, Kelowna, Merritt and Kamloops. • CAA managers have been hired in the Fraser Valley, Kelowna/ Interior, Victoria, and the Lower Mainland. • BC Housing will follow up with the BC10 regarding rural and regional training. <p>Provincial Homelessness Action Plan (HAP)</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In July, 2018 the BC10 meet with the HAP leads in Victoria • HAP builds off of what MSD heard during poverty reduction consultations and feedback from a HAP committee made up of 12 members across BC that met twice • There is intention to ensure the HAP is a provincial plan, not a ministry plan • Plan is considered a high level strategic policy plan and will not provide a great deal of community specific detail • Plan will be presented at fall 2018 cabinet • There are 4 pillars to the plan: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prevention 2. Immediate response (rapid response to ensure access to housing) 3. Stability (of people in housing) 4. Working better together (which focuses on inter-ministry collaboration and more collaboration with communities) 	
5. CAB-H discussion of survey results & vote: CE recommendation- Randy	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CAB-H chair, on behalf of the Kelowna Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB-H), conducted a survey to assess the Community Entity’s delivery of the Homelessness Partnering Strategy and to determine whether the CAB-H supports the Central Okanagan Foundation to continue as the Community Entity for April 1, 2019-March 31, 2024 funding term. • The CAB-H chair shared the survey results with CAB-H members. <p>Motion: CAB-H supports Central Okanagan Foundation to continue as the Community Entity for April 1, 2019-March 31, 2024 funding term. Mona: Phil seconded.</p>	
6. Adjournment – Randy	
<p>NEXT MEETING: January 24, 2019 1633 Richter street 10am-12pm</p>	