



EL PASO COALITION for the HOMELESS
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
May 11, 2017
The Salvation Army
4300 East Paisano

Call to Order- The meeting was called to order by Executive Director Carol Bohle at 9:00 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions- Carol welcomed the members and thanked The Salvation Army for hosting. Carol World provided a brief history of The Salvation Army and an overview of the services offered. Members in attendance from various agencies introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes –A motion for approval of the EPCH General Membership Meeting minutes from April 13, 2017 was made by Beth Senger and seconded by Victor Hernandez. The minutes were approved as presented.

Board of Director's Report – Michael Flores, President of the EPCH Board, provided an update from the most recent Board meeting including the revised Code of Conduct and Security Policy.

Planning Committee Report – Shadecie Walker, Chair of the Planning Committee, reported that information from the Strategic Planning Workshop held on March 29, 2017 had been compiled and sent out to the Membership listserv as well as to everyone who was in attendance. Only five responses had been received. The Planning Committee would be holding special meetings to discuss the comments and finalize the document. The first meeting would be held on May 23, 2017. Shadecie invited John Martin to report on these special meeting efforts and encouraged all to participate in this process.

Strategic Planning Workshop Update – John Martin, Assistant Chair of the Planning Committee, reviewed the process followed at the workshop and the follow up analysis performed. Two priority areas became evident and he began a membership dialogue around these topics, Crisis Response System and Leadership. He continued with a discussion about homelessness to gather input from the general membership regarding which definition to adopt for the strategic planning efforts.

HUDs Homeless Definition – Camille Castillo, HUD Project Coordinator, provided a training on HUDs definition of Homelessness and how it applied to all publicly funded programs within the El Paso CoC. She also showed a brief podcast from Iain De Jong, President and CEO of OrgCode Consulting, Inc., regarding the recommended use of Emergency Shelters in addressing homelessness under the HEARTH Act homeless service system transformation.

Agency Announcements – Agency announcements were made.

Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m. upon a motion by Beth Senger, seconded by Gail Gale.