

February 8, 2024 CoC Board Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Hope Jackson, Chair at 4:05 p.m.. on February 8, 2024.

Board members present: Melissa Lopez, Josue Lachica, Bill Schlesinger, Hope Jackson

Board Member Absent: Daniel Ornelas (four absences)

Staff: Camille Castillo, Gary Gray, Alejandro Vasquez, Leslie Canada.

1. Agenda approval – Melissa moved, Josue seconded. Unanimously approved.
2. Consent Agenda: Minutes clarified that Bylaws action on ex officio members will take effect once a full board is established. Melissa moved and Josue seconded approval with that clarification. Unanimously approved.
3. Old Business: OC Communication was included. Board Chair indicated that there is no further action to be taken with the OC until the OC acts.
4. Grant Concept Presentation: Camille Castillo and Alejandro Vasquez presented a slide deck on the Youth Homelessness System Improvement Grant as information. It takes a new direction to improve the youth homeless system vs. providing specific services, and staff wanted to familiarize the CoC Board with the different elements. The Chair received clarification that it was a separate HUD grant, not part of the CoC funding. Development of the proposal content is in process. If awarded, it is likely that the program would be folded into the CoC process. Partners initiated the interest in the process; TNOYS was added to assist in broadening the foundation. Texas Homeless Network is added to help improve data access. It's considered a 'long shot' due to a relatively low number of homeless youths coming into the system or being visible.
5. Additional Board Action: Hope moved and Bill seconded that Daniel be released from Board membership due to unexcused absences over the amount allowed. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Board Applications. Melissa moved and Josue seconded that the Board go into executive session to review applications for board membership. Melissa moved to leave executive session; Hope seconded. Motion approved. Melissa moved to accept applications of all applicants Justin Wilson, Horace Wilson, Shelby McCue, Victoria Martinez and . be accepted and made full members of the Board. Josue seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Adjournment: Hope moved adjournment Melissa seconded. Meeting adjourned 5:09 p.m. February 8, 2024, to reconvene the following month, March 14th, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at a location to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,



Bill Schlesinger, Board Secretary