Balance of State Regional Committee Meeting Minutes 6/19/2014

Foothills Homeless Coalition

**Members present**

Sharon Osborne Yokefellow

Tim Brulet VA

April Davis Caldwell DSS

Larry McMullen VTAB

Elizabeth Norris Yokefellow

Lisa Lawson Smokey Mtn. Center

Kristi Case Smokey Mtn. Center

Fran Johnson National Guard

Leila McMichael Kwanzaa Family Inn

Shari Wright Connections BWB

Sharon Poarch Shelter Home of CC

Angela Battle Dulatown Outreach ~ Kwanzaa

E.B. Freeman Jr. Dulatown Outreach ~ Kwanzaa

Meeting began at 1:00pm with introductions and welcome. We welcomed new member Leila McMichael, Kwanzaa staff member.

Sharon will extend invitation to Lenoir PD, Sheriffs Dept, Fire, EMS, McDowell United Way, CCCTI student affairs and Caldwell County School System representatives

May minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion made by Frances, seconded by Larry.

Purpose and Mission Sub Committee presented FHC vision, mission, priority populations, and values\*. This along with a developed scorecard will be used to approve funding for grant requests of the emergency solutions grant program. Motion made by Larry, seconded by Lisa.

Coordinated Assessment Toolkit Draft reviewed and accepted by coalition. A lead will be required to develop a sub-committee in order to evaluate applications for funding for ESG. A scorecard will be developed to determine which agencies receive funding. Scorecard ideas brainstormed:

Requirements to turn in monitoring sheet

Be a participating agent in FHC meetings

Plan to end homelessness was recommended to revisit in either late 2014 or early 2015

Agency updates:

* National Guard – next deployment will be early 2015. Possibly have agency tables at September Family Day
* Smokey Mountain – Lisa will be stepping down, 6 slots of shelter plus care remains open. Shared that there is a Risk Assessment online training. Krisit Case recommended that everyone become a member of NCCEH
* Shelter Home – a new program is coming to serve male and females that are elder/disabled/ limited English that are in abusive situations.
* Dulatown Outreach/Kwanzaa – catching up on CHIN training. Arranging class from NCworks for residents of how to access services for obtaining jobs.
* Connections BWB (Shari Wright) – Will be starting school and doing an internship with Carolina Refugee Center
* VTAB – Seminar on New State Career Skills at Goodwill, Hickory. A job fair will be in Morganton on June 26th
* Yokefellow – Yokefellow will be the fiscal agent for LEOS. First open house to member churches will be June 26th and will have a public open house in July.

Meeting adjourned at 2:36

Next meeting: July 17th, location TBD

\*Additional materials: Foothills Homeless Coalition Vision and Mission