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Regional Committee Structure Workgroup Meeting Notes – May 5, 2015

Members present: Brian Alexander, Kim Crawford, Wanda Felt, Brian Fike, Amy Modlin, Susan Pridgen,

Talaika Williams **Staff:** Corey Root

Participants introduced themselves and named something working well in their Regional Committee, answers included:

- Participation at meetings (number of people present)
- Meeting for many years
- Many things happening
- Large commitment to helping people who are homeless

Participants also talked about what could be improved at their Regional Committee, answers included:

- More people doing work, serving in leadership roles
- Increased participation of Regional Committee members
- A few people do all the work
- Clearer understanding of roles
- Increased ability to connect with other agencies in the community
- Increased buy-in from Regional Committee members
- Participation in coordinated assessment
- More people to do the leadership work

Group members expressed interest in the idea of conducting a survey of Regional Committees to:

- Take the temperature about changing Regional Committee structure
- Better understand local capacity issues
- Better understand how capacity affects Regional Committee leadership, if at all

ACTION ITEM (MEMBERS): Please send survey questions and topics to Corey by end of the day Tuesday May 26. Corey will collate ideas for discussion at June meeting

Group members want to better understand the pros and cons of changing Regional Committee structure

Group members would like to designate priorities for the process of this workgroup – is it more important to have Regional Committee coverage for all BoS counties (counties not currently represented by a Regional Committee)? More important for funding to be streamlined? More important to decrease administrative burden?

Is it possible for staff or Regional Committees to do outreach to currently unserved counties?

ACTION ITEM (STAFF): Members would like more information on how Balance of State CoCs in other states determine local group structure and information if HUD has any best practice info/previously issued TA on determining local group structure – Corey will present to workgroup on this in June

ACTION ITEM (STAFF): Group members would like to hear more specifics from NCCEH about which Regional Committees are struggling, how they are struggling and where the struggling Regional Committees are located geographically – Corey will present to workgroup on this in June

ACTION ITEM (MEMBERS): Group members want to start our work with defining the goals of a Regional Committee, then devising a structure to support Regional Committees in reaching those goals. Group members are asked to brainstorm ideas for Regional Committee goals, email these to Corey by end of the day Tuesday May 26. Corey will collate ideas for discussion at June meeting

Next meeting: by phone, Tues. June 2, 1-2 PM

