**Transylvania County** **Homeless Coalition**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Location: Brevard Housing Authority**

**133 W. Morgan Street**

**Brevard, NC 28712**

**Date: February 6, 2014**

Attendees:

Erika Gonzalez, BHA Erica Edwards, SAFE

Beth Branagan, TC Schools Susan Lefler, Community Rep.

Louise Egerton, THAPS LaToya Whitesides, TC Schools

Emily Lowery, The Haven Sarah Lancaster, Smoky Mountain Center

Erika Gonzalez Co-Lead, facilitated

* Meeting called to order 9:10 am
* Introductions
* Meeting Minutes Approved from last meeting
* Nominations and Vote
  + Committee unanimously voted to keep Jennifer Flood as lead and Erika Gonzalez as co-lead
* NCCEH
  + Need new members to join
  + Cost is minimal, believed to be either $25 or $50
* HOME Grant
  + Grant was approved by the County, waiting on approval from HUD
  + If approved will be a Tenant Based Rental Assistance program
  + First program of its type for TC
* Balsam Grove Event
  + Success!
  + Gods way only operating their food pantry every other weekend, giving away more food
  + There is an on-going need for blankets, hats, gloves and socks, we need to keep collecting
* Point in Time (PIT)
  + Was delayed due to weather
  + Count was done on Friday
  + This count is due by Friday, February 14, please send in your data ASAP
* Agency Updates
  + SAFE
    - Hosting a divorce clinic on 2/14/14 11 am – 1 pm at SAFE conference room
    - Must have a referral from Pisgah Legal to attend
  + Brevard Housing Authority (BHA)
    - Hosting annual AARP tax service
    - Must make an appointment
    - BHA will have 2 units opening 1 BR
    - BHA has 16 people to file in upcoming court
* Oxford House
  + Finally Here!!
  + Taking applications through Meridian
  + Location is on Appletree Street
* The Haven
  + Conducting a Code Purple when temps are frigid in the house recently acquired
  + 6 people and 11 dogs came in out of the cold

·Next meeting scheduled for first Thursday, March 6, 2014 - 9 am

·Meeting adjourned 9:22 am