**Randolph County Housing Coalition, Inc**

**Meeting Minutes**

**May 13, 2016**

The meeting was held at 9:30 am at the Randolph County Senior Adult Association Building 347 W. Salisbury Street. Bob Lawler, Chairman called the meeting to order and introductions by everyone present were conducted. An attendance sheet was circulated.

**Members Present:** Bob Lawler & Kendria Eckard (Asheboro Housing Authority); John Evans (City of Asheboro); Brenda Goss (community rep); Linda Oates (CUOC); Donna McCormick (Sandhills Center LME/MCO); Jeigh Adams (Comm. Rep.); Helen Milleson (Randolph County Hospital); Roger King (RCATS); Benny Jernigan (Goodwill); Myra Gaddy (Community Rep.); Dr. Brad Rice (Asheboro City Schools); Margie DiDona (Randolph Senior Adults); Paulette Handy (Asheboro Shelter of Hope) & Leslie West (Easter Seals ACT).

 **Excused Absences:** Kim Green, Sarah West, Melissa Thomson, Yvette Cooke, Andrea Matute, Debbie Cole, Terry Van Vliet and Becky Buxton.

**Minutes:**

The minutes from the April 8, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved on a motion made by Myra Gaddy, seconded by John Evans. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

Treasury Report: Jeigh Adams informed us of our current balance of $875.41. Membership invoices have been sent out. For an Agency-$50.00 and Community Representative-$15.00. Jeigh paid the safe deposit box fee of $35.

Balance of State/Coordinated Assessment: Bob said there was a conference call this week with the new Special Projects staff person at NCCEH (NC Coalition to End Homelessness) about the re-structuring of the Housing Coalitions and what we are doing in our housing committee. He said it is time to go ahead and apply for new grant projects. Please get with Bob if your agency would like more information about this.

There is a need for a Scorecard Representative to serve this year. Donna McCormick agreed to serve, along with Linda Oakes. Bob Lawler will also serve if needed.

There were no ERF (Emergency Response Forms) turned in today.

**Grantee Updates:**

Asheboro Housing Authority (AHA): Kendra is the Coordinator for Rapid Re-Housing and reported there are currently 40 on the wait list. Rapid Re-Housing issues are: having no income, no rental history, poor credit or no credit and transportation.

There is a great need for sheltering women and children.

Family Crisis Center-Emergency Solutions Grant: No report; Sarah is out today.

**Committee Reports:**

**Executive Committee (Bob Lawler, Chair): Strategic Planning:** Bob wants each committee to set new goals for the next year.

**Public Awareness & Membership Committee (John Evans, Chair):** John says themovie Time Out of Mind producer responded back and said if we own our own DVD, he could waive the fee for us. He has to approve things from a legal firm first. The committee is thinking of the week of November 14-22nd for the movie to be shown.

John says that next month, Kim Wagner, Liaison from the Randolph County Schools will join us. Donna invited Leslie West from Easter Seals ACT team and she joined us today.

**Homeless Programs Committee (Brenda Goss, Chair):** Brenda says they formed a subcommittee, Paulette, Kendra, Becky & Sarah and they have had three meetings thus far. A refresher course was done. Brenda & Debbie assisted in the course and updated them on the Coordinated Assessment Tool. Our next quarterly Coordinated Assessment report is due in July.

 **Adequate Housing: (Jeigh Adams, Chair):** Jeigh says they are starting to update the Housing Inventory List.

**Hospitality Committee**: Thanks to Debbie and Linda at CUOC for the delicious goodies this month. Brenda Goss is on the list to bring snacks in June. Donna agreed to assist.

**Unmet Needs:**

Donna reported that she has a HIV positive person in need of housing. She asked for resources and several people informed her of some and she will look into them including: HOPWA is Housing Assistance for People with AIDS; Randolph Hospital staff Danielle Draughn may have some ideas at 336-242-3285; Piedmont Triad COA Ombudsman at 336-904-0300; Triad Health Project, Bob Lawler to give me the contact number when he gets back to the office; Easter Seals has apartments in Burlington and Greensboro for HIV and also Leslie West at Easter Seals 336-963-3406.

**Round Robin:**

Asheboro Housing Authority: Bob says the Section 8 program is taking applications on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The elderly and disabled are given priority. The wait list is probably around 300-400 now.

Goodwill Industries: Benny says they are having classes for people interested in Excel, Quickbooks and Spanish speaking. The classes are free. Goodwill has scholarship money for classes and jobs that are available in the area. NCWorks.gov is the website to search for jobs. Go to Triadgoodwill.org for a list of classes. There are free classes at ncflearnfree.org.

Randolph Senior Adults Center: Margie says they are having an Expo at the Mall on Wednesday and will include vision screenings, caregiver information, etc.

RCATS: Roger says they hired a Bi-lingual staff person recently and they have updated their RCATS brochure. He handed us some of these to take.

Reminder: Don’t forget to pick up your name tag when entering the meeting and leave it in the basket upon leaving.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted by Donna McCormick.

Next meeting is Friday, June 10, 2016

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