

Minutes
HOMELESS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
October 1st, 2007 – 11:30am
Siouxland Health & Human Services Building

Member present: Tam Baker, Judy Buseman, Randy Bartunek, Carol Twedt, Hugh Grogan

Members absent: Alan Graff, Shirley Halleen, Vernon Brown

Others present: Kerri DeGraff, SEUW, Wendy Giebink, SF Homeless Education, Shireen Ranschau, SF Housing, Al Kingsley, Homeless Advocates of SD, and Stacey Tieszen, HAB Homeless Coordinator.

I. Approval of Minutes – 09/10/07 Minutes

Minutes were not available. Will be made available shortly.

II. Welcome ~ Angela Hyde from Community Outreach

Stacey Tieszen briefly introduced Angela who then provided information about the services and programming available thru Community Outreach. Discussion focused on median incomes, the gaps in the community for “emergency assistance” services, and the creation of a central entry point.

III. Homeless Coordinator Progress Report

Stacey Tieszen provided an update of the activities and accomplishments since the last HAB meeting.

IV. Committee Reports – Review Accomplishments & Target Dates

A. Program Committee – Hugh Grogan reported.

- Discussion of the new program committee and the progress it is making towards developing new goals and objectives and how this will relate to the HAB strategy session on 10/23/07.

B. Faith-Based Committee – Tam Baker reported.

- No updates. Committee meets tomorrow.

C. Implementation Committee

- ~ Housing First Subcommittee -- No updates.
- ~ Financing Subcommittee – No updates.

V. Old Business

A) HAB membership applications for review: HAB accepts both Kerri DeGraff of the SEUW and Wendy Giebink of the SF School District Homeless Education Program as potential new members to present to the joint City Council/County Commissioners Meeting on October 15, 2007.

B) Pilot Project Updates: Hugh Grogan reported.

Discussed the case management services and new staff. Will invite new staff to attend HAB meeting in the near future. Kari Benz, County Human Services Assistant Director, will be supervising the Pilot Project and its staff.

C) Business Case Update – Housing First as the model, need location information, conceptualize an SRO type-housing unit. Distributed an example from Norfolk, VA.

D) Strategy Session – Carol Muller has agreed to facilitate the session which will be held in the large classroom on the 2nd floor of the Siouxland Health and Human Services Building on October 23rd from 4p-7:30pm. Discussed items members would like to see prioritized or focused on during the session.

VI. New Business -- None

VII. Adjournment – the meeting adjourned at 12:50pm motion by Tam Baker, seconded by Hugh Grogan.