



Metro Denver Homeless Initiative Board Meeting
June 13th, 2019
711 West Park Ave, Denver, CO 80205

Administrative

I. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Call to order by Chair, Shelley McKittrick
- b. Attendance:

Role	Board Member	Present	Absent
President	Shelley McKittrick	X	
Vice President	Benjamin Ryan	X	
Secretary/Treasurer	Claire Clurman	X	
Board Member	Mickey Hunt		Excused
Board Member	Andrew Alsip	X	
Board Member	Brenton Hutson	X	
Board Member	Karissa Johnson	X	
Board Member	Renée Belisle	X	
Board Member	Jamie Rife	X	
Board Member	Lori Rosendahl	X	
Board Member	Elissa Hardy	X (phone)	
Board Member	Patricia Hall		Excused
Board Member	Cheryl Secorski	X	
Board Member	Alix Midgley	X (phone)	
Vice President	Eugene Wade	X (phone)	
Board Member	Ken Hayes	X	
Board Member	Brian Arnold		Excused
Board Member	John Feeney – Coyle	X	
Board Member	Jennifer Biess	X	
Board Member	Rachel Vaughn	X	
Board Member	Michael Malloy	X	

Quorum Present: Yes

Staff present: Matt Meyer, Rebecca Mayer, Elizabeth Murray, Megan Morales, Ian Fletcher, Joe Baker, Bethany Maynard-Moody, Jackie Hernandez, Matt Richard, Mikah Wagner, Diane Howald

Guests: None

II. Consent Agenda

- a. Move to Approve Consent Agenda: Brenton H.
Motion seconded: Ken H.
- b. Agenda Discussion
 - i. Ben R. asks if there is still trepidation around the operations of OneHome in the community. Matt M. explains that while there is trepidation, in large part, the slow operations of OneHome are due to the current in-between state of data migration. Additionally, the poor quality of data from the Adsystem HMIS platform has greatly slowed the migration process. The migration of OneHome into HMIS will be completed this summer. Coordinated Entry is currently a hot topic in the community, and some agencies are unhappy with the current system. The MDHI team is pulling in the providers and local government partners to work together on system design.
 - ii. Ian F. states approximately 25,000 active records in the system to date; Kyla M. is currently working on a transfer of 18 million service entries across the state. This is the final major element and largest component of the migration. In comparison, Ian relays, it took two years to complete the previous Metro Denver HMIS migration from Tapestry to Adsystem; Washing State and Los Angeles are in year three of their data migration.
 - iii. Brenton H. asks if all CoC funded programs are required to submit all vacancies through OneHome, and, if so, how is this evaluated. Bethany states that 100% of CoC funded vacancies must be submitted through OneHome and we do have a way to evaluate this.
 - iv. Shelly M. recommends a OneHome deep dive for a future Board meeting. Matt M. agrees to do so after the migration is complete.
- c. Minutes Approval: May 9th, 2017 minutes were approved, as amended by Ben R.
- d. Following discussion, motion passes. No opposed. No abstentions.

Deep Dives

III. Regional Governance Committee (RGC) OneHome Policy Recommendation Review

- a. OneHome Transfer Process Policy

Bethany M. explains that OneHome is receiving numerous requests from housing providers to transfer participants in their Rapid Rehousing (RRH) programs to Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), or vice versa, when they believe said participant needs a level of support their program does not offer. The increasing number of requests indicated to OneHome the need for standardized policy. Main policy points:

 - If a provider wishes to transfer a participant between programs of the same type, i.e. RRH and RRH, within their agency, they can do this without approval from OneHome.
 - If a provider wishes to transfer a participant between programs outside of their agency, they must submit a request to OneHome for approval.
- i. Policy discussion

1. Ben R asks how transfers are currently handled. Bethany responds that the only major change is transparency. The policy outlines what is currently happening, while ensuring it has been documented and standardized.
 2. Alix M. asks if this process will be used to rehouse participants facing eviction or a mutual recision of a lease. Bethany responds we will not, as this is meant to address any issues with the level of support, or program type, a participant needs to be successful, not negative housing outcomes. Shelley M. voiced concerns over this idea.
 3. Ben R. asks why this is an interim policy. Bethany explains OneHome wants to evaluate the policy's effectiveness once coordinated entry is fully integrated within HMIS before making any final policy decisions.
- ii. Vote on Transfer Process Policy
 Motion to approve by Cheryl S.
 Motion seconded by Brenton.
 Recusals by Michael M., Brenton H., Karissa J.
 No abstentions.
 No opposed. Motion carries.
- b. OneHome Anonymous Client Policy
- i. The policy as presented by the Regional Governing Council only impacts people who are entered the OneHome agency.
 - ii. In response to Renee's question, this will be a rare occurrence, affecting fewer than 1% of clients.
 - iii. Vote on Transfer Process Policy
 Motion to approve by Lori R.
 Motion seconded by Jamie R.
 Recusals by Karissa J., Michael M., Brenton H.
 No abstentions.
 No opposed. Motion carries.

IV. Governance

- a. Jennifer Biess presented the board slate for consideration: Ben Ryan, Chair; John Feeney-Coyle, Vice-Chair of Organizational Activities; Elissa Hardy, Vice-Chair of Continuum Activities; Claire Clurman, Secretary-Treasurer
 - i. Vote on Officer Selection
 Motion to approve by Cheryl
 Motion seconded by Andrew
 No recusals
 No abstentions
 No opposed. Motion carries.
- b. The board and staff thanked Shelley, who is wrapping up her year as Board Chair, and Jamie, who is moving off the board this month.
- c. Board Recruitment: The governance committee is conducting interviews and welcomes board member participation.

- d. HMIS Collaborative: With Jamie's departure, we have a seat to fill on the Colorado Statewide HMIS Collaborative.
 - i. Ben Ryan moves to confirm Elissa Hardy for the open Collaborative seat
Karissa Johnson seconds
All in favor, no opposed, no abstentions.
- e. Bylaws: The final draft is in the board packet for review.
 - i. Ben Ryan moves to adopt these bylaws to replace the current bylaws that are in effect.
Claire Clurman seconds.
All in favor, no opposed, no abstentions.

V. Continuum Activities

- a. Matt described the status and ongoing plans to stand up the council and committee structure, as outlined in the MDHI Governance Charter. Matt noted which committees and councils are up and running and which are in development. Matt noted concern for the level of administrative support needed to fully operationalize the councils and committees. Matt estimates a need for a half-time administrator per council, which is not in this year's budget. We are exploring bringing VISTA members on for one year to stand up this work as a transition to bringing on staff for these roles.

VI. Flex Fund

- a. Jackie Hernandez gave an update on the Flex Fund, including a new round of funding from Metro Mayors Caucus, Denver Foundation, and private donors totaling over \$100,000. One of the benefits of the flex fund is that we can make sure the people we serve are remaining in good standing with their landlords. We recently had a veteran who had fire damage and the landlord wanted coverage for the costs or the vet would likely have been evicted. We were able to pay for repairs and keep him in housing. We are getting referrals from agencies that haven't traditionally engaged much with MDHI.