



Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)

September 27, 2017 Meeting Minutes

MEETING ATTENDEES

1. Sheila Allen, Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance*
2. Diane Clarke, Yolo Conflict Resolution Center*
3. Tracey Dickinson, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
4. Amanda Eckman, Child Welfare Services, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
5. Ginger Hashimoto, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
6. Janis Holt, Yolo County Housing*
7. Mary Anne Kirsch, Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter of Davis
8. Elaine Lytle, CalWORKs Housing Support, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
9. Dan Maguire, City of Winters*
10. Erin McEwen, Yolo County Children's Alliance
11. James McLeod, Yolo Community Care Continuum**
12. Alysa Meyer, Legal Services of Northern California*
13. Niomi Michel, Empower Yolo**
14. Carolyn Pierson, Mercy Coalition
15. Joan Planell, City of Davis*
16. Bill Pride, Davis Community Meals and Housing*
17. Lorena Sanchez, Shores of Hope
18. Mark Sawyer, City of West Sacramento
19. Sandra Sigrist, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency**
20. Dan Sokolow, City of Woodland*
21. Nolan Sullivan, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
22. Martha Teeter, Davis Opportunity Village*
23. Desiree Vigel, Shores of Hope
24. Doug Zeck, Fourth and Hope*

**Indicates a primary voting designee*

***Indicates a secondary voting designee*

1. REVIEW AND APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

HPAC approved the agenda with no amendments.

- **Motion:** Dan Maguire
- **Second:** James McLeod
- **Abstentions:** None

2. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM 8.23.17

HPAC approved the meeting minutes with one amendment. Dan Sokolow requested that his name be added to the list of meeting attendees.

- **Motion:** Dan Maguire



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- **Second:** Alysa Meyer
- **Abstentions:** None

3. INTRODUCTIONS AND PROGRAM UPDATES

- Ginger Hashimoto announced that she accepted an analyst position with the City Manager's Office in Davis. Her last day with the County will be October 4.
- Carolyn Pierson invited members to attend Mercy Coalition's fundraiser dinner on October 7.
- Erin McEwen announced the launch of new program operated by the Yolo County Children's Alliance. Associated with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, the youth employment program will pay participants for up to 300 hours of work. She explained she is seeking both referrals of youth age 16 to 24 as well as agencies to serve as work sites.
- Janis Holt invited members to an event meant to increase community awareness on the issue of homelessness. Funded by a California Humanities grant, the two-part event will feature documentary showings as well as panel discussions. The event will take place on October 12 and November 4.
- Joan Planell announced the hiring of Ryan Collins as the City of Davis' Homeless Outreach Coordinator. She explained that his position is embedded within the police department, which is similar the model utilized by the City of West Sacramento.
- Mary Anne Kirsch reminded members that the Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter of Davis is set to open the Sunday after Thanksgiving.
- Dan Sokolow announced the City of Woodland in partnership with its faith-based community will once again open a shelter for four weeks in winter. Dan explained that this year, the shelter will serve women rather than families. The hope is that this change will expand the capacity for men at Fourth and Hope's shelter.
- Tracey Dickinson announced that in addition to Ginger's departure, she will be transitioning to a new role within the County's Health and Human Services Agency as a Communications and Strategy Manager. She explained that Sandra Sigrist will be facilitating a conversation later in the meeting to collect HPAC's input on the Homeless Coordinator's job description and HPAC's involvement in the recruitment process.
- Bill Pride announced the City of Davis successfully secured enough funding for Creekside, an affordable housing project.
- Lorena Sanchez introduced herself as Shores of Hope's new case manager.
- Sheila Allen explained that the Health Aging Alliance is focused on housing for older adults and plans to convene a housing summit this year. As such, the Healthy Aging Alliance will be seeking guidance from HPAC.
- Doug Zeck invited members to attend Fourth and Hope's annual fundraiser, Empty Bowls on October 19.

4. WEST SACRAMENTO ENCAMPMENT APP

Mark Sawyer presented on an app utilized by the City of West Sacramento to track homeless encampments. Mark explained the features of the app and described how the City's police department



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as well as public works department utilizes the app to coordinate cleanup efforts. Mark emphasized that while the City tries to implement a “services first” approach, a change in code made illegal camping a misdemeanor offense. Members expressed concern about this change, as arrests and misdemeanors pose barriers to housing.

5. HOMELESS COORDINATOR TRANSITIONS

Sandra Sigrist facilitated a discussion on the Homeless Coordinator transition, during which Tracey Dickinson and Ginger Hashimoto excused themselves by stepping out of the room.

6. GOVERNANCE CHARTER—QUORUM AND EMAIL VOTING

Tracey Dickinson reviewed a handout summarizing options to revise HPAC’s governance charter. In particular, members wanted to review quorum requirements and email voting procedures. Due to a lack of time, members decided to appoint a Subcommittee to review the options and make recommendations to the full body at next month’s meeting. Bill Pride, Joan Planell, and Alysa Meyer volunteered to serve on the Governance Charter Subcommittee.

7. ELECTIONS

Tracey Dickinson provided members with an overview of HPAC’s election process and explained that there are three officer positions: Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. Tracey explained that members need to create a Nominating Subcommittee in preparation for October’s officer election. Alysa Meyer, Joan Planell, and Martha Teeter volunteered to serve on the Nominating Subcommittee. Tracey also asked for any public nominations; however, no one volunteered.