

GA Balance of State CoC Membership and Rules Committee Meeting**September 26, 2104 / 10:00---12:00 Noon**Go-To-Meeting Conference Call (<https://www4.gotomeeting.com/join/430729007>)

Meeting Notes

Welcome and Introductions – Jonathan Cox, Planning Manager, State Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless

*Attendance:***Members Present:**

Evan Mills, MSW, Advantage Behavioral Health Services; Northeast GA

John Moeller, Action Ministries, Inc.; North, GA

Cynthia Patterson, River Edge Community Service Board; Central GA

Lejla Slowinski, Lawrenceville Housing Authority; Gwinnett, PHA Representative

Don Watt, Department of Community Affairs; Special Needs Housing Statewide

Members Absent:

David Blackwell, Albany Homeless Coalition; Southwest, GA

Collaborative Applicant Staff:

Jonathan Cox, Department of Community Affairs

Tina Moore, Department of Community Affairs

Support Entity:

None

The second meeting of the Interim Membership and Rule Committee began at 10:00 A.M.

The meeting began with discussion of the nomination forms sent to DCA and then forwarded to the Membership and Rules Committee. The Committee and Collaborative Applicant staff discussed the lack of response from Region 5, and the Committee approved the continued solicitation of “at-large” nominations from Region 5. Jonathan Cox proposed then that Committee members for whom DCA received a nomination recuse themselves from the meeting so that the Committee could discuss the nominations. John Moeller and Lejla Slowinski recused themselves from the meeting and left the call.

The Committee reviewed all ten (10) nominations received for BoS CoC Super Regions 1-4. There was an additional nomination received, but the form was completely illegible and could not be reviewed. The Committee reviewed all nominees for relevance and eligibility, and found that nine (9) were eligible. The Committee spent time strategizing on how to ensure the slate was made up of members who had the skill set and enthusiasm needed to make this commitment. The Committee put forward the following regional representatives (Regions 1-4) to be placed on the slate to represent their respective region on the Balance of State Continuum of Care Board of Directors to be voted on by BoS CoC Members as a full slate:

Region 1 – John Moeller

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Region 2 – Lejla Slowinski
Region 3 – Sr. Elizabeth Greim
Region 4 – David Blackwell

The Committee also recommended that given the number of people willing to make a commitment, the continuum would be best served by ensuring that those on the Membership and Rules Committee, who were elected to the Continuum Board, would give up their place on Membership and Rules to allow others to serve their Continuum, should they wish to. Don Watt said that he would contact those members directly.

To address the remaining region without a nomination, Jonathan Cox indicated that staff would forward any nominations for Region 5 to the Committee for their review as a full slate.

Follow up to the meeting:

On the last Membership and Rules Committee meeting conference call, people were identified for four of the five DCA Super Regions to serve on the Balance of State Continuum of Care (BoS CoC) board (all but Region 5). There has since been one nomination for Region 5, and the nomination form was sent for review of the Committee (Evan Mills, Cynthia Patterson, and Don Watt).

Through email, the Committee voted to nominate Randy Welty to serve as the Region 5 representative for the BoS CoC Board. The Committee also voted to move forward and submit the following slate of five candidates to the CoC membership to vote on:

Region 1 – John Moeller
Region 2 – Lejla Slowinski
Region 3 – Sr. Elizabeth Greim
Region 4 – David Blackwell
Region 5 – Randy Welty

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