

# COC Steering Committee | MINUTES

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Meeting date | time *February 24, 2014* | Meeting location *VHA*

Facilitator	Andy Silver/Amy Reynolds	Attendees Andy Silver, Kathy Neary Kevin Heibert, Kate Budd, Amy Reynolds, Peggy Sheehan, Lydia Sanders, Roy Johnson, Scott Conger, Sierk Braam
Note taker	Becky Morgan	

## AGENDA TOPICS

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*Agenda topic* *Nomination of Officers* | *Presenter* *Andy Silver*

Discussion: Andy announced that at the last meeting a nominations committee was developed. Amy Reynolds is the choice for chair, and due to amount of work there is to do there are 2 vice-chair choices are Peggy Sheehan and Kate Budd. Andy asked for all in favor of these nominations to say yes, all in attendance said yes with no comments or questions.

*Agenda topic* *Work Plan* | *Presenter* *Amy Reynolds*

Discussion Amy will bring a work plan for 2014 to the next meeting. The plan will include what the steering committee needs to keep track of for 2014. Amy explained that we need to do the site visits. Roy Johnson asked about site visits and who does them, and to how many places. Amy explained that there are 5 agencies that received the funding and need to have the visits. Also discussed who would do them, committee or possibly volunteers. The visits need to be done by the end of the year.

*Agenda topic* *Role of COC & Steering Committee in developing a shared vision, outcomes, and measurements for homelessness system* | *Presenter* *Andy Silver, Kevin Hebert*

Discussion Andy explained that we are going to re-prioritize the role of the Steering committee based on: 1. Things we are required to do. 2. Things we want to do. Discussion is centered on using a "Collective Impact" model. How can the COC Steering committee as a group focus together to solve a complex social problem, how can we focus together and try and align our objectives for a greater impact. Andy explained that it would help the coalition get a shared vision and define what the vision is around ending homelessness. Kevin Heibert explained in more detail how the steering committee can take smaller pieces of the 10 year plan and put a focus on solving one thing at a time, always working towards the larger goal. Kevin explained how without aligning resources we only make small changes, the needle of homelessness isn't really moving. Together we can align our programs and have a bigger impact. Kate Budd asked what the difference is between this idea and the 10 Year Plan. Kevin explained that in 10 years we hope to end homelessness in Clark County, with this group focusing on smaller pieces each year to the end result which is the 10 Year Plan. Roy Johnson asked "does this thin the resources"? Kevin explained that it is more about aligning our focus on one thing at a time; how we can best collaborate together. Andy said that using resources we already use with better group focus, COC can put focus and a measure on what we are doing. Kevin reiterated that we have to be aligned to make a real movement. This group has to work together to prioritize, getting us to that point will require deep discussion. As a committee we can look for monies to help support the steering committee, we can apply for grants. We need a vision from the

committee; process of engagement would include finding stakeholders to buy in. Andy explains that we do have guidelines to follow, but we do have freedom in this group to decide our focus. We would ask Kevin Hebert to facilitate our discussions, and with the people who are in the group we do have the ability to move the initiative forward, we are a very diverse group. Andy explained the main goal is to “Increase our ability to gain funds, have a way to really help end homelessness and have it be measureable”. We will still follow HUD guidelines. Andy explained that we have the opportunity to get a grant from Community Funds, and he will work on it and submit it by March 3, 2014. The Council could receive the funds in May 2014. The grant funding will be to help with the process, the process will not be passive, and we will need the steering committee to be focused. The real challenge will be once we have a focus to do what we say we are going to do.

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**Agenda topic** *Deed Recording Fee* | **Presenter** *Amy Reynolds*

Discussion: Amy is going to testify 2/25/14 for the deed recording fee bill. Amy will be advocating that the bill stay in effect. Mike Fisher will join her.

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**Agenda topic** *Meeting Space* | **Presenter** *Amy Reynolds*

Discussion: Amy asked that COC Steering Committee meetings going forward be moved to Share Fromhold Service Center 2306 NE Andresen Rd., Vancouver, WA 98661. Everyone agreed. Next Meeting is March 24, 2014 from 2:00-3:00 pm.

<b>Action items</b>	<b>Person responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
Apply for Community Funds Grant	Andy Silver	3/3/2014
Next Meeting at Share 3/24/2014, 2-3 pm		
Bring Work Plans to next meeting	Amy Reynolds	Before next mtg.