

## **HOMELESS ADVOCACY FOR RURAL TENNESSEE (HART) MEETING MINUTES**

Crossville Housing Authority, Crossville, TN  
Thursday, September 8, 2016

The following persons were present at the meeting:

Kaytee Barnes – CHDC/ESG	Frank Ogilvie – VBHCS/PATH
Rachel Bruning – Avalon Center	Kristi Paling – TCCY
Stephanie Corum – CHA	Christin Reed – CHA
Terry Burdett – CHDC/HMIS	Ron Rohrbach – VBHCS
Terina Cantrell – HOPE Inc.	Allison Schipp – Ridgeview Behavioral Health
Luke Eldridge – VBHCS/PATH	Anthony Scionti – HVRP, VBHCS
Susan Greene – CHI, Region III	Sheri Spigner – CHDC/HMIS
Dina Martin – Genesis House	Kristy Stubblefield – Families in Crisis
Lindsay McReynolds – Herald Citizen	Kyle Thompson – Timothy Hill
Cammie Music – CHA	Lisa Thompson – CHDC/CES
Lachelle Norris – TTU	Lindsey Upton – TTU

**Call to Order:** Rachel Bruning called the meeting to order at 10:05 and gave opening remarks.

**Rollcall:** Rollcall was conducted by Cammie Music. Quorum present.

**Minutes:** Motion to approve the August 11, 2016 minutes made by Ron Rohrbach; 2nd by Stephanie Corum; none opposed. Motion approved.

**Treasurer Report:** Luke Eldridge: Current bank balance is \$5,634.88. Motion to approve the treasurer report made by Stephanie Corum; 2nd by Cammie Music; none opposed. Motion approved.

**Guest Speaker:** The scheduled guest speaker had to cancel at the last minute. Terry Burdett moderated a discussion on Housing First.

### **Board of Directors Update:**

**Rachel Bruning:** The HART Annual Meeting is on November 10, 2016, starting at 10:30 with meet and greet and the lunch beginning around 11:00.

**Rachel Bruning:** On September 7<sup>th</sup> there was a work day that started working on a new strategic plan for HART. The next one is scheduled for November 9, 2016, and the whole membership is invited to participate.

**Program Review:** Ron Rohrbach provided an update on the ranking and review process and announced that the ranking can be found on the HART website. **Susan Greene:** The Board

of Directors approved the project ranking and updated Ranking and Review Policy on August 25<sup>th</sup>, and they were posted on the website on August 26<sup>th</sup>. The CoC Application with ranking will be posted on September 12<sup>th</sup> on the website for any final comments before submission to HUD on September 14<sup>th</sup>. The HART CoC Governance Charter was approved during this morning's Board of Director's meeting.

Outreach: On Homeless and Hunger Week (November 14-22, 2016), some members will be going homeless for the week and plan to set up a "camp." They will have cardboard signs to bring awareness to homelessness and requests for community support. Members are challenged to participate.

### **Introductions/Announcements:**

**Dina Martin:** Genesis House has four events in October: 4<sup>th</sup> – DCS speaker; 11<sup>th</sup> – An attorney to speak on what court looks like in a domestic violence/assault case; 18<sup>th</sup> – Self-Defense Class; and 25<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Party. Times are 6:00 – 7:00 pm at 269 S. Willow Ave, Suite E.

**Krisi Paling:** On November 16<sup>th</sup>, the Putnam County Advisory Board is sponsoring A Day in the Life - Poverty Simulation at the Collegese Church of Christ. Members are encouraged to set up a booth.

**Krisi Paling:** On October 28<sup>th</sup> from 8 to 2:30 there will be an Illegal and Lethal Prescription Drug Take Back program.

**Luke Eldridge:** On October 22, from 10:00 to 1:00 there is a "Make a Difference Day" at the Jefferson Ave Church of Christ, Cookeville. Goal is to collect donations for homeless persons.

**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 10:55.

Approved by the Board:

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Chairperson

### **Executive Committee:**

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