



**EASTSIDE HUMAN SERVICES FORUM**

Board Meeting Minutes  
 Thursday September 20, 2018 - 8:30 a.m.  
 PSE Building - Perkins Coie  
 10885 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor – Thomsen Rm  
 Bellevue, WA

<p><b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>          Lynne Robinson, Bellevue City Council – Board Chair          Lauren Thomas, Hopelink – Vice Chair          Eric Evans, Sheltered Holdings – Sec/Treasurer          Monique (Ruyle) Gablehouse, Evergreen Health          Cassandra Sage, LW School Board          Tony Copes, EISCC          Tanika Kumar Padhye, Redmond City Council          Sara Levin, United Way of King County          Al Smith, Perkins Coie          Dave Asher, Kirkland City Council          Stephanie Hamrick, Overlake Hospital          Lisa Callan, Issaquah School Board          Claudia Balducci, King County Council</p> <p><b>MEMBERS NOT PRESENT</b>          Terry Pottmeyer, Friends of Youth          Helene Wentink, Alliance of Eastside Agencies</p>	<p><b>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT</b>          Sherry Smith, Recording Secretary          Marnie Maraldo, Coordinator          Dee Dee Catalano, Workgroup Chair</p> <p><b>VISITORS PRESENT</b>          Marilynne Beard Deputy City Manager          Kirkland          Alex O’Reilly</p>
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***CALL TO ORDER – Board Chair Lynne Robinson, called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. A quorum of the Board was present.***

Robinson thanked those who were able to attend the Fall event.

**REVIEW OF JUNE MINUTES**

Review of June March 22, 2018 Minutes

***Motion: I move the Board accept the meeting minutes from the June 21, 2018, as presented. Motion made by Al SMITH, seconded by Tanika PADHYE. Motion passed unanimously.***

**SEPTEMBER EVENT RECAP AND 2019 WORK PLAN**

Coordinator Maraldo shared a review of the Fall Event. There were 80 people in attendance. The keynote speakers spoke for over an hour, focusing on the King County recommendations and what has been implemented since 2016. Several panel members attended and spoke on the recommendations. The goal of the event is for the EHSF to develop a plan of action and identify what the agencies have already done and what could be done, as well as coordination between the agencies. Board Chair Robinson asked directors to look at the comments and come away with the top subjects for the

Forum to consider.

Marilynne Beard, Deputy City Manager Kirkland facilitated the conversation regarding the Board's goals for 2019. Continued work on the opioid crisis is still the predominant topic area based on feedback from the September board meeting. BEARD directed each board member to share what element of the recommendations and responses should be the focus of the opiate work for 2019. There were 3 key areas of consideration:

- 1. EDUCATION**
  - a. General Public
  - b. Students, parents-teacher
  - c. Service Providers
  
- 2. SERVICES**
  - a. Availability of Medication-Assisted Treatment
  - b. Safe Dispensary sites
  - c. Range of Treatment
  
- 3. ADVOCACY**
  - a. Funding
  - b. Partnerships
  - c. Leg Advocacy

The overwhelming response from board members was to focus on education and advocacy. Facilitator BEARD summarized: Advocate for others to do the education at the student, school parent levels

It was suggested the Workgroup could do an analysis on who is providing various education and advocacy and leverage those organizations to move results forward.

Coordinator MARALDO reminded the Board that at the end of the meeting goals would need to be identified as to what should be accomplished by the end of 2019. The Workgroup would then provide the action plan and that will form the basis of the 2019 Workplan for the October 18 meeting. At the November meeting the group will take action on the final approval.

**Proposed GOAL:** Create a system of education and awareness. Identify and map the champions that could carry out the work. EHSF will advocate for the education of parents, students, and teachers and create a dashboard of this system.

It was also suggested to allow the Workgroup to look at attendees' responses and pick one or two items out of each section to move forward, either directly or through partnering with other groups.

Board members also had questions as to the function of the Workgroup and their role in

the development and implementation of the 2019 Work Plan. BEARD suggested adding a goal on clearly defining who does what and update the bylaws, policies and procedures accordingly. This would allow the Board to ensure the organization is more effective within the bandwidth available.

**Proposed GOAL:** An external review of the organization.

Coordinator MARALDO mentioned there are nine new board members. A Board retreat may be considered.

Facilitator BEARD suggested the Board review the 2018 Work Plan and identified those areas that still needed attention.

- Still need to produce Eastside Funding Next Steps.
- Identify and test tracking tools/methods for county legislation – BALDUCCI will check on this.
- Increase presence at City Council meetings regarding 2019/20 budget – In process
- Conduct equity training for Board – 2019
- Increase number of stakeholders – ROBINSON and MARALDO will check with Bellevue School District.

**Proposed GOAL:** Conduct equity training for the Board.

The discussion moved to affordable housing. BEARD clarified that 0 - 30% AMI Affordable Housing a goal mentioned at the September board meeting. ROBINSON would like to review the goals in addressing that topic and use the Mission Statement to identify the goal setting.

The Board had robust conversation. Facilitator BEARD summarized the discussion.

**Proposed GOALS:**

- Advocate for federal resources with more flexibility to address affordable housing, specifically for those earning <30% Annual Median Income (AMI);
- Identifying who makes up the 0-30%;
- Advocate for funding based on a roadmap to get to an Eastside Human Services and Housing Levy;
- Education on results and recommendations from the King County Affordable Housing Task Force;
- Possibly partner with ARCH.

Coordinator MARALDO will take the comments from the discussion on opioids as external education and provide internal education for 0-30% housing. She shared the timeline of adoption of the 2019 Work Plan, 2019 State and Federal Legislative Agenda and the 2019 Budget.

### BALDUCCI – King County Funding and Eastside Providers

- There are needs on the Eastside
- We don't compete well because of the perception of the lack of need

### **EAST KING COUNTY AGENCIES AND KING COUNTY FUNDING**

BALDUCCI reviewed statistics from “Best Starts for Kids Funding”. Of the total amount of money going out the door about 5% has been awarded to agencies in her district and 6% if you don't count Communities of Opportunity. If the funding was evenly distributed throughout the county, her district should make up 11% of the funding. BALDUCCI stated that many agencies from the Eastside do not get funding partially because agencies are not applying. She would like to identify what the needs are that should be eligible, services that are being supported and those that are not. She also mentioned the importance of having the county provide additional technical support for applying to RFP's.

O'REILLY confirmed funding for IAWW and Encompass. Responses as to why an organization was not funded – one reason that was provided was the organization did not provide the data to show the need.

### **UPDATES**

MARALDO shared updates with the Board. First, she welcomed Stephanie HAMRICK to the Board. HAMRICK was appointed to the Hospital/Health #1 seat, replacing Cynthia Eichner. The Board voted on the appointment via email in August, receiving a unanimous vote of 100% of the board.

### ***Financials***

MARALDO reviewed the financial statement with the Board, focusing on the current balance and the fund reserve balance at the end of the year. She has been working with Sarah and Colleen from United Way as to their invoice. There will be significantly more funds at the end of this year. It appears there will be a \$13,000 increase in the reserves at the end of the year.

### ***Legislative Advocacy***

Thank you to all the board members who volunteered for the Legislative Committee. Over the summer, Board members and members of the Legislative Committee met the Representatives Smith and DelBene and Reichert. All were supportive of the key issues that were brought forward:

- Preserve Community Development Block Grants
- Strengthen low-income housing Tax Credit
- Expand Medicaid/Medicare to cover dental, vision and hearing
- Provide a pathway for DREAMers

### ***Nominations and Membership***

This committee hasn't met since the last Board meeting, but as the Board moves forward with its 2019 Work Plan, it would be important to determine if EHSF has the right people at the table. The Board should be included in this work if they are interested.

From the membership listing just noted, there are smaller agencies that find they are choosing between AEA membership and EHSF membership. This may be a topic for this committee and for Board discussion in the future.

At the December meeting, the members will be voting on members of the Board of Directors. The following Board members have terms that expire this year. Please let MARALDO know if you are interested in continuing to serve on the Board.

- Government #1 – Tanika Padhye
- Hospital/Health #1 – Stephanie Hamrick
- At-Large #2 – Terry Pottmeyer
- United Way – Sara Levin
- EISCC – Tony Copes

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2018, at 8:30, Perkins Coie, Bellevue in the PSE Building, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Smith  
Recording Secretary