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| **Board Representative** | **Board Member Position** | **Affiliation** | **Present Y/N/P** |
| Ari Kisler | Youth | Vermont Coalition of Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs (VCRHYP) | N |
| Brian Smith | Dept of Mental Health | AHS - Department of Mental Health | N |
| Toni Grout | Washington CoC | Capstone | Y |
| Daniel Blankenship | Public Housing Authority/Collaborative Applicant | Vermont State Housing Authority | Y |
| Dawn Butterfield | Lamoille CoC/Treasurer | Capstone Community Action | N |
| Deborah Ormsbee | Member-At-Large | Vermont Agency of Education | N |
| Doug Sinclair | Addison CoC | Charter House | Y |
| Elizabeth Eddy | Bennington CoC | BROC - Community Action South-West Vermont | P |
| Emily Higgins | Vermont Agency of Human Services | AHS - Office of Economic Opportunity | N |
| Erhard Mahnke | Member-At-Large | VAHC | N |
| Heather Hinckley | Rutland CoC, Secretary | Homeless Prevention Center | Y |
| Holly Olio | Franklin/GI CoC | NCSS | P |
| Jason Brill | Veterans Affairs | U.S. Veterans Administration | Y |
| Josh Davis | Co-Chair | Groundworks Collaborative | Y |
| Kara Casey | Domestic and Sexual Violence | Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence | Y |
| Jenna O’Farrell | Orleans CoC | Northeast Kingdom Community Action (NECKA) | Y |
| Margaret Bozik | Chittenden CoC | Champlain Housing Trust | N |
| MaryEllen Mendl | Member-At-Large | United Ways of Vermont, 211 | N |
| Meghan Morrow Raftery | HMIS Administrator | Institute for Community Alliances | Y |
| Pat Burke | Windsor-South/Windham-North | Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA) | Y |
| Peter Kellerman |  | John Graham Housing and Services | N |
| Rebeka Lawrence-Gomez | Co-Chair | Pathways Vermont | Y |
| Renee Weeks | Windsor-North/Orange | Upper Valley Haven | Y |
| Shaun Gilpin | Housing Partners | DHCD | N |
| Shawn Kelly | Person with Lived Experience |  | P |
| Connie Sandahl | Caledonia/Essex CoC | Northeast Kingdom Youth Services | N |
| Susan Howes | Windham South | SEVCA | Y |
| Whitney Nichols | Person with Lived Experience |  | Y |

**Additional Attendees**:

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| Andrea Hurley | VCEH CoC Support Specialist |
| Lee Trapeni | SSHP |
| Bethany Pombar | VCRYHP |
| Stephen Lunna | SSVF |
| Caitlin Ettenborough | ICA |
| Justin Wagner | Clara Martin Center |
| Sierra Hargrove | NEKCA |
| Geoffrey Pippenger | DCF/ESD |
| Chandler Poling | BROC |
| Patrick Dunegan | GSH |
| Daniel Daltry | VDH |
| Eric Seel | VDH |
| Sarah Phillips | AHS/DCF/OEO |
| Mary Ellen Griffin | Vermont Legal Aid |

**Call To Order**

**Attendance and Brief Announcements**

* Annual Veteran’s Stand Down is coming up in March, at Northern State University. A flier will be sent out about the event so that everyone can attend if they are able.
* PIT forms have “mostly” been submitted. Received about 60 paper forms and the balance was done on the Google forms. Was not an Adverse Weather night this year.
* Will Hall will be coming next week to Burlington to speak on conflict resolution and harm reduction when coming off psych meds.
* Pride Center folks coming to do presentation at 11am. Safe Space.

**Approval of January Minutes**

* Motion made and passed to accept the minutes from the meeting, with corrections.

**Approval of Treasurer’s Report**

* Copies of report were shared with the group.

**Committee Reports**

* **Youth Homeless Demonstration Project**
  + Bethany Pombar shared with the group handouts titled “Blueprint for YHDP Funded Projects”, “Service Philosophy and Key Principles for Project Implementation”, and “Youth and Young Adults and Coordinated Entry”.
  + Changes that have been made are…
    - Coordinated entry changes around what it looks like for youth compared to adults in the system. This will be discussed in more detail at the CE meeting this afternoon.
    - Complications around housing 16 and 17 year olds. The VCRHYP providers have been sheltering these unaccompanied minors for 21 days, but housing them in transitional housing has not had a lot of guidance around this. DCF is discussing with them that they should be housed with a legal guardian. There needs to be further conversations with DCF around this subject. DCF has put together a work group, already, around this subject so that this can be collaborated on.
    - Added some language to the Service Philosophy and Key Principles. This is a good tool to use when going back to the communities to talk about this project.
    - In the Blueprint, there is a schedule of the anticipated timeline of the project. This includes a “road show” to discuss the project as a whole and getting local programming happening. Bethany will be a TA provider for this process.
      * Projects will initially be funded for one year at a time.
      * The on-going projects with continued funding will be worked into the CoC Base Grant. This will make these programs long term and sustainable.
      * Types of projects will include…
        + Rapid Rehousing and/or site based vouchers
        + Supportive Services Only (Youth Housing Navigators)
        + Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry (Landlord Liaisons)
        + Transitional Housing – Rapid Rehousing Joint Component
        + Rapid Rehousing – Short Term Diversion Support
        + HMIS
        + Non-YHDP Funding Projects

Creation of a BoS CoC wide learning community

Drop in centers

Landlord mitigation funds

Permanent supportive housing

Host homes

Youth Action Board

* + - Q & A regarding the YHDP included…
      * YAB involvement and feedback
        + Bethany shared that the YAB has been a part of this entire project and their feedback has helped build what has been completed. She went on to say that additional feedback around emergency housing has come up, but this type of project wouldn’t be able to address that.
      * Transitional housing is taboo with HUD
        + Although transitional housing is considered a “taboo” subject with HUD for older adults, Bethany shared that HUD is going to continue to fund this type of housing for the youth and young adult population.
      * Non YDHP funding projects
        + The question was asked of Bethany if any of the non-funded projects would be funded if it weren’t for HUD guidelines. Her answer was that probably all of them, but this hasn’t truly been researched.
      * Host Homes
        + Sarah Phillips shared that DCF would like to have host homes be a priority project in the YDHP. This is one project that Family Services Division would sign off on this and see this as a viable method for serving 16 and 17 year olds.
        + Vermont currently has a host home model. It is set up as an emergency type shelter that can house 16 and 17 year olds for up to 21 days. The host home project for the VYHP would be more of a transitional living type situation for longer term.
  + A motion was made by Tara and seconded by Josh to approve the VDHP plan was passed with one abstention.
* **Legislative Committee Vote**
  + Priorities were discussed, but not voted on in December, so will be further discussed at the March meeting.
* **2018 HUD CoC Awards**
  + Daniel shared that we did not receive any bonus projects, but did receive 13 bonus DV RRH subsidies, 13 Shelter + Care and $50k for services in Windsor, Windham, and Washington county.
  + 10 S + C for the balance of the state
  + More money in the statewide grant for RRH
  + Lamoille County was awarded coordinated entry dollars
  + 44 Youth RRH Subsidies
* **Additional Announcements**
* **Adjournment**
* **Next Meeting Dates**
  + March 19
  + April 16