

Nebraska Commission on Housing and Homelessness (NCHH)
Tuesday, November 17, 2009
Lincoln, NE
Minutes

I. Roll Call

Anissa Rasmussen called roll. Nine of fifteen commissioners were present. Ann Beseke, Mary Jo Bousek, Robin Hollman, Tom Huston, Thomas Judds, DiAnn Kolkman, Kathy Mesner, Roger Nadrchal, & Melissa Robinson-Henscheid. Absent commissioners were: Alan Green, Ardith Hoins, Ken Lyons, Barb Ostrum, Erin Porterfield, and Brent Williams.

II. Call meeting to order

Chairperson Robin Hollman called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Chairperson Robin Hollman declared a quorum at 1:10 p.m.

III. Introductions:

Chairperson Robin Hollman welcomed guests and asked them to introduce themselves. Guests present were: Lilly Blase, Assistive Technology Partnership; Danielle Hill, NE Housing Developers Association; Janet Latimer, Horizon Bank; James Thele, Omaha Planning Department; Melba Davidson, USDA Rural Development; Anissa Rasmussen and Lydia Wiles, Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED).

IV. Public Comment

No public comment.

V. Approve August 25, 2009 meeting minutes

Thomas Judds moved that the August 25, 2009 meeting minutes be approved. DiAnn Kolkman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

VI. Executive Committee

No report.

VII. Report from Standing and Ad Hoc Committees

1. Continuum of Care Committee

Ann Beseke reported that the video conferences have helped the committee to update others on homeless prevention in the different continuum areas. They are also looking at RFPs.

2. Education and Awareness Committee

DiAnn Kolkman announced that the committee sent packets out for National Hunger and Homelessness Week. There is a link on DED's website about it. They also sent packets out to the ten largest high schools in the State in hopes of getting more students involved. Next year, they plan to get more students involved for the event.

3. Policy and Issues Committee

Kathy Mesner said they discussed the 2010 Annual Action Plan. Kathy handed out packets of Section 3 and noted that there will be less funding. She also handed out a list of DED projects that have been funded 2009.

4. Policy Academy

No report.

VIII: Reports from Agencies and Organizations

Assistive Technology Partnership – Lilly Blase reported.

Nebraska Department of Economic Development – Lydia Wiles reported.

Health and Human Services System –Ann Beseke reported.

Midwest Housing Equity Group – Thomas Judds reported.

NE Housing Developers Association – Danielle Hill reported.

REACH – Danielle Hill reported.

NE Investment Finance Authority – Robin Hollman reported.

U.S. Department of Agriculture – Melba Davidson reported.

FHL Bank-Topeka – Roger Nadrchal reported.

Additional Agency/Organization Reports – Tom Huston stated that he would bring the changes on the bylaws to the NCHH January meeting.

IX: Adjourn

Chairperson Robin Hollman adjourned the meeting on November 17, 2009 at 2:15 p.m.