

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES-GENERAL BODY MEETING**  
**Denton County Homeless Coalition General Body Meeting – February 5, 2014**  
**City of Denton Civic Center, 321 E. McKinney, Denton, TX**

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- 1. Call to Order:** Sharell Clay – HOPE, Inc. - Secretary –Steering Committee
- 2. Approval of General Body Minutes, October 2, 2013** - Approved, Moved- Leslie Wisenbaker, Second-Dr. Alonzo Peterson

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### **3. Committee Reports**

- HMIS –Roshaun Epperson
  - H MIS Training will be coming soon.
  - THN will conduct the HMIS training sessions.
  - Training will probably be at the North Branch Library
  - PIT data will be sent to THN by 2/14/14.
  - 2014 PIT count was 252, vs. 184 for 2013 count
  - Dr. Peterson and Roshaun indicate the HMIS can now be customized to meet the agency needs.
- COC Committee – Dr. Alonzo Peterson
  - All CoC grants submitted.
  - Expecting 5% cut
  - Explained CoC is Balance of State
- Homeless Prevention
  - Northern sector of Denton County , HOPE, Inc.-One agency that receives funding
  - Received ESFP-Assists households with emergency situations, car trouble, etc. can help with one month rent
  - Income is not a consideration.
  - Has \$47,000 (1/2 now)
  - Roshaun and Sharell can do this.
  - Cannot be more than one month behind.
  - Also has ESG-if lost job or reduced income in the household, emergency, etc.
  - Money goes fast!!!
  - Can't assist someone on Section 8 housing, is considered "double dipping".
- Membership Committee –Leslie Wisenbaker
  - Membership currently down!
  - Passed out applications
  - Get on email list
  - Facebook page doing well.
- Point in Time Committee – Roshaun Epperson
  - PIT date is January 23, 2014
  - Incentives being collected and currently stored at ODB
  - 44% increase in homelessness from 2011-2013, due to use of different formulas and defined criteria
- Communications Committee – Dani Shaw
  - Haven't met since last meeting
  - Requested attendees provide success stories...send to Dani, focusing on "working poor".

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- Street Outreach Committee-Jeremy Grace
  - Reaching out to homeless to help with needs based on their immediate situation
  - Short-term and Long-term housing
  - Medical assistance, I. D.s, jobs, etc.
  - Chronic/situational homelessness addressed
  - Goes out 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month (8am-12p)
  - Doing fairly well, building relationships
  - Looking forward to warmer weather!!
- **Agency Networking Announcements & New Business**
  - HOPE-Carla Quinn retirement party is at El Guapo's, Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 12:30pm
  - Libraries-Free faxing is offered at all libraries in Denton
  - United Way offering Free Tax preparation on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings, at the North Branch Library. Also offered in Sanger and Lake Cities.
  - Alice Masciarelli-Looking at new project in April:
    - Permanent Supportive Housing Committee
    - Similar to 100,000 home campaign in November.
    - Dr. Peterson says greater funds available now, will unveil in April meeting.
  - Solutions-Leslie Wisenbaker
    - One indigent bed available-substance abuse
    - Four scholarship beds available that are not spoken for.
    - Must be able to work.
  - Health Services-
    - Lena says if HIV positive, can help
    - Helping enroll in ACA
  - MHMR Connections-Lisa High-No current openings, using waiting list
  - Christina Gunlock-UNT student coordinating filling 50,000 packets of dry food to send overseas.
  - CPCH-Anna Stokes-Cumberland is currently full, Expect one opening for March 1, 2014.
  - DIN-Leslie Wisenbaker - Meeting Thursday, February 6, UNT Speaker addressing speech and hearing and services available at UNT.
  - Our Daily Bread
    - Thanks to all who donated to PIT. The incentive bags were impressive.
    - 2/08/14-A Heart for the Hungry dinner, dance, live and silent auction at UNT Gateway Center is sold out, but, donations will still be accepted. Thanks to all who sponsored and are attending.

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- CAN (Coordinated Access Network): Sharell, Alice, Dr. Peterson:
  - This is an unfunded mandate.
  - This is a system whereby there are a limited number of entry points for the homeless or at risk of becoming homeless population to go through intake.
  - Removes barriers for clients
  - Three communities chosen as pilots: Texarkana, Corpus Christi, Denton
  - Sophia is Austin is leading the effort.
  - Training is at Solutions in September.
  - Front-Doors (agencies clients go through to receive service) ODB, Salvation Army, Vision Ministries, HOPE
  - Must meet HUD standards:
    - Active participant in HMIS
    - Easily accessible
    - Part of CAN
    - Located north of Lake Lewisville
  - If currently homeless, goes to ODB or Salvation Army
  - If at risk of homelessness, goes to Vision or HOPE
  - Agency does intake form and decides where to send the client.
  - Prevention and Diversion
  - Sophia developing standard assessment.
  - Training will occur with Sophia on February 24, Front Door 9a-2p, then, 3p-5p, committee meeting for agencies on how it will work.
  - Sophia will have Representatives here the first week in March.
  - Committee One: Leadership Implementation Team-Regulate staffing issues
  - Committee Two: Marketing Committee...Alice Masciarelli
    - “We all need to spread the word about the new process.
  - It is expected the Front Door will follow up after the Intake.

**Adjourned:**

- **Next General Body Meeting: April 2, 2014 3:00pm**, at City of Lewisville MCL Grand Theatre, 100 N. Charles St., Lewisville, TX 75057