

**Community Living Committee
Planning Meeting
The State Library of Ohio- Boardroom
274 E. First Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43201**

**August 4, 2015
2:00 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.**

Brief Summary of meeting by: Fatica Ayers, Staff to Community Living
Attendance

Name	Participate in Person	Participate By phone	Unable to participate
Jane Byrnes			X
Ann Marie Denning			X
Lisa Krauss			X
Linda Kunick	X		
Heather McFarland			X
James Plasencia			X
Mark Seifarth		X	
Marci Straughter			X
Jeff Turner	X		
Rochelle Hall- Rollins	X		
Joanna Spargo		X	
Kim Stults	X		
Mike Schroeder	X		
Renee Wood		X	

- Carolyn Knight- in person
- Deb Tackett with Jeff Turner
- Sonja Day with Linda Kunick

I. Opening of the meeting & Introductions

- A. The meeting was opened by Kim Stults at 2:00 p.m. She asked everyone to introduce themselves and those on the phone has to provide telephone passcode.
1. Rochelle Hall- Rollins sent an e-mail and indicated she wanted to join the Community Living Committee.

II. Approval of July 9, 2015 Minutes

- A. **Kim asked for a motion to approve the July 9th minutes.**
1. **Mike Schroeder made motion to approve minutes.**
 2. **Jeff Turner seconded the motion.**
 3. **Motion was approved.**
 4. **Rochelle and Joanna abstained.**

III. Review Community Living Allocation

- A. The Chair turned the meeting over to Fatica to go over the proposed break down on how the Community Living Allocation is being expended and why
1. Fatica shared the CLC has \$399,000 below is possible break down:
 - a. Outreach - \$42,000 – for 5 years
 - b. Housing- \$100,000- for 5 years
 - c. Transportation - \$109,000 for 2 years
 - d. Which leaves a balance of \$148,00 to utilize on other issues of importance

B. The Chair opened the floor for discussion and below are the highlights:

1. Renee Wood asked how many people that have a waiver are still waiting for housing?
 - a. Carolyn Knight stated staff will find the answer for it has to be a part of the “Waiting List” Report.
2. Renee Wood also suggested that Council needs to promote finding new ways to create housing with existing housing stock.

IV. 2015 State Plan Amendment for Housing Project- Taken off table and reason why

A. Kim revisited Bob Laux advice to the committee.

B. Bob Laux- Council’s Housing Consultant stated in his report to Council; After careful consideration and review of all materials presented by the Corporation for Supported Housing (CSH) and their time-frame for putting together a “development team” for their RFP, I’m going to advise that we pass this year on this project.

1. I think it ill advised to rush together a group to successfully demonstrate a low income housing tax credit project using their definition of “permanent supported housing”. Rather, we should concentrate on putting together that team targeting specific policy issues for next spring (policy summit) followed by a project to develop scattered sites as a demonstration project.

2. I know Council was kind enough to, in good faith, commit \$20,000 toward a demonstration project but I don't think we can achieve the goal of putting all of this together as a team in literally less than two weeks (deadline is 8/7/15). I would suggest we wait.

C. The Chair opened the floor for discussion and the committee simply agreed to follow Bob's advice.

V. 2017 Draft Plan Language for Housing Project

A. The Chair opened the floor to discuss the draft plan language that staff prepared. Below are highlights of that discussion:

1. Get rid of acronyms and possibly create a listing of acronyms used in the State Plan.
2. Include language which allow grantee to work closely with DODD's newly hired housing staffperson.
3. Add language that says develop creative ways to utilize existing housing stock.
4. Find new apartments that have 504 features and determine the difference in rent and create a program that will go to landlords ask them what it will take to get people with disabilities in these apartments.
 - a. Carolyn stated we do have Rent Subsidy Program that is being created.

5. Maybe Council can conduct a study to determine the difference in low income folks and people with disabilities. To expand make sure the Department does some kind of research on the rent subsidy and determine where are people ending up living.
6. This piece will be given to the Department of DD, since they are planning on hiring a person to focus solely on housing issues. Since Council has been asked to leverage dollars to fund that position, Council will share the suggestions we have for what the person should focus on.

VI. 2017 Draft Plan Language for Transportation Project

- A. Kim turned the meeting over to Carolyn to share her recent discussions with the Ohio Department of Transportation and Kathy Foley.
- B. Carolyn shared the following:
 1. Kathy Foley has been working with Disability Rights and other stakeholders to get folks voices heard as it relates to transportation. She would like \$20,000.00 to conduct several more forums around the state and compile their concerns.
 2. Staff has suggested in order to keep things coordinated, maybe a State Plan Amendment should be created for the Data Research Policy grant and let them work with Kathy, therefore her information can be incorporated in their report.

3. The Ohio Department of Transportation has agreed to work very closely with the Data Research Policy grant to provide data to the report. A very collaborative relationship has developed between ODDC and ODOT.

C. The Chair opened the floor for comments and below are highlights of that discussion:

1. Mike Schroeder stated he wanted to make sure the un/underserved are reached in all this data collection and for forums. Maybe another entity should receive a contract from the grant to focus on that portion which is reaching the un/underserved.

D. The Chair asked the committee their opinion on the draft language for the “**Transportation Project**”.

1. The language was fine.
2. Staff will add more specific activities based on what the grantee says they will be working on in order to sustain the project.
3. Maybe Council should not mention levy because that creates a whole different level of issues.
4. Let’s see what the grantee provides.

VII. Revisit other ideas Community Living could fund

A. The Chair opened the floor to discuss how the committee would like to expend the remaining \$148,000.00.

B. Staff referred the committee to hand-out that had suggestions from survey and suggestions from May meeting that committee members made.

C. Below are highlights of that discussion:

1. Kim felt the aging care giver issue should be addressed in some way.

a. Mike Schroder stated from 2001- 2006 Council funded a project entitled: Coordinated Planning for Informal and Formal Caregiving- Phase I Research Study.

b. Renee stated when we talk about again care givers it can include spouses and other.

2. Fatica suggested small pots of funding for DSP (Summit, Council, Recognition Day) and the Sibling (Youth Transition & their conference) and possibly tie the Siblings into the aging caregiving issue. Staff will pursue.

3. Fatica stated she needs to have on record that the committee agrees that she should draft language around DSP, Sibling (aging care giver issue) & Housing Coordinator.

D. Kim asked for a motion that allows Fatica to draft the language on the additional topics that were discussed:

1. **Mike Schroeder made a motion allowing Fatica to take the discussion that took place and draft Plan Language.**
2. **Jeff Turner Seconded the motion.**
3. **The motion carried.**

VIII. Summary of Action Taken

A. Fatica included in these notes a summary of all action taken:

1. July 9th minutes were approved with abstentions.
2. Housing project language approved with minor revisions to be made.
3. Draft language for Non-Competitive Allocation to assist in funding their Housing staffperson.
4. Determine of Public Policy will create State Plan Amendment to take \$20,000.00 to work with Kathy Foley on transportation forums.
5. Transportation draft language is approved. Staff will make additions once grantee provides them.
6. Contact DSP regarding possible funding and draft language.
7. Contact Siblings regarding possible funding (around aging care givers) and draft language. Staff will also contact County Board Association and Ohio Department of Aging.

IX. Adjournment

- Kim asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- Mike Schroeder made the motion and Jeff Turner seconded it.
- Meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.