
TUCSON PLANNING COUNCIL FOR THE HOMELESS

Education Committee

March 9, 2008 Minutes

Chair: Eric Cross

Next Meeting: April 13, 2009, 3:30-5:00 p.m., COPE, 85 W. Franklin St,

Report to General Council

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| ■ Consensus to change committee name to “Conference Committee” |
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TOPICS DISCUSSED

- 1. Minutes.** Minutes of the February meeting were approved by consensus.
- 2. Change of Name.** Participants reviewed the TPCOH Operating Policies description of the Education Committee and discussed whether to request a change of name. Discussion included the fact that all the objectives are addressed through the annual conference. Consensus was that, given the committee’s primary activity is to develop the Annual Conference; the name should be changed to Conference Committee.
 - **Next step.** Committee chair will report the recommendation to General Council.
- 3. Keynote Speaker.** Participants discussed the purpose of the keynote speaker, and decided to explore the interest of Glenn Lyons, executive director of the Downtown Tucson Partnership; Noemi Ghirghi of HUD; and Jacki Taylor of the Arizona Coalition to End Homelessness in being keynote speaker.
 - **Next step.** Eric will make assess Glenn Lyon’ interest before pursuing other suggested speakers.
- 4. Conference Breakout Sessions.** Participants discussed the preliminary conference tracks and breakout sessions outline, and identified the following individuals to ask regarding their interest in presenting.
 - Track A, Housing** – Your Housing Options (Be an Internal Expert), Eric Cross; Youth Resources, staff from Youth on Their Own, Open Inn and Intermountain to review resources and the Tucson Young Adult Guide, www.tucsonyag.com; and Housing for Ex-offenders, Nick Jones of Old Pueblo Community Services.
 - Track B, Strategies for Ending Homelessness** – The Tucson HMIS System, Don Logue and Scott Rich; Ending Homelessness Among the Elders, a representative from PCOA; and State of Homelessness in Tucson and the PTEH Task Force, Leslie Carlson.
 - Track C, Survival Services** – Tucson’s Trilogy of Care, chairs of the events Tucson Homeless Connect, HopeFest, and Veterans’ Stand Down; Mental Health and Homeless Courts, Judge Michael Lex; and Substance Abuse Services, to be determined.
 - Track D, Success Accessing Benefits** – Social Security, Debra France; DES , contact last year’s presenters; and Current AHCCCS Rules and Regulations, contact last year’s presenters.
 - **Next step:** Committee members will initiate communications with their contacts.
- 5. Old Business.** Eric reported that he has confirmed that the conference program cover and a Trilogy of Care logo will be developed by two separate classes at the Art center Design College, and will be available in April.
- 6. Next Meeting.** Monday, April 13th, 3:30-5:00 p.m., COPE, 85 W. Franklin.

Attendance

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