
12/12/2025 CoC Minutes

Wyoming Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Meeting

Date: December 12, 2025 **Time:** 8:27 AM (Zoom) **Location:** Zoom

Attendance

Present:

- Wanda Koffler (Chair)
- Anna Edwards
- Julie Eberbach
- Shari West
- Paul Wright
- Dawn Dillinger
- Bobby Nielsen
- Kayla Braaton
- **Absent:**
- Tracy
- Karla (technical issues, may join later)
- Mickey

Agenda

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

- Meeting called to order by Wanda Koffler.
- Quorum confirmed.

2. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from prior meetings tabled to focus on NOFO discussion.

3. New Business

- **NAEH Annual Conference (San Diego, March 2-4, 2026)**
 - Conference tracks include: Government & Policy Leaders, Peer Leaders, Emerging Leaders, Advocate Leaders, Philanthropic Leaders, Research Leaders.
 - Registration: \$950; Flights approx. \$675; Hotel \$289/night.
 - Funding options:
 - State Workforce Training Grant (covers ~60-75% of costs).
 - Remaining 40% potentially covered by Wyoming CoC funds managed by Shari West.
 - Discussion:
 - Dawn Dillinger emphasized importance of using Workforce Training Grant funds.
 - Board agreed conferences are beneficial, especially for members who haven't attended before.
 - Decision postponed until next week's meeting.
- **Research Interview Request**
 - Request from Garrett Garinger, Research Fellow (Social Inclusion, Wales), studying implementation of Executive Order 14321 and CoC responses.

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- Concerns raised about legitimacy; verified as a real person affiliated with a university.
 - Board consensus:
 - Anna Edwards will forward to Zach for verification.
 - If confirmed, Anna will coordinate scheduling and invite board/staff to participate.
 - Interview will not involve client data, only governance perspectives.

4. NOFO Discussion

- Background:
 - HUD rescinded the NOFO shortly before a hearing regarding lawsuits.
 - Next court hearing scheduled for December 19, 2025.
 - Judge criticized HUD for “deliberately causing chaos.”
 - Majority of COCs nationwide have paused their competitions.
- Board Discussion:
 - Shari West: Pausing avoids wasted effort on applications/scoring that may need rewriting.
 - Paul Wright: Agreed, better to wait for clarity.
 - Wanda Koffler: Pausing reduces errors and avoids “feeding the chaos.”
- Motion:

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- Motion by Shari West to pause NOFO until updated version is released.
 - Seconded by Paul Wright.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
 - **Logistics:**
 - 9 organizations have submitted Letters of Intent (LOIs).
 - Board agreed to honor existing LOIs but allow updates/withdrawals once new NOFO is issued.
 - Additional LOIs may be accepted depending on changes in requirements.
 - Anna Edwards will notify LOI submitters that their intent is held pending further guidance.

Decisions & Action Items

- **Conference Attendance:**
 - Further discussion and possible motion at next week's meeting.
- **Research Interview:**
 - Anna Edwards to verify legitimacy with Zach and coordinate scheduling.
- **NOFO Process:**
 - Competition paused until HUD issues updated NOFO.
 - Existing LOIs honored but subject to revision; new LOIs may be accepted.
 - Anna Edwards to communicate updates to applicants.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned after NOFO discussion.
- Next meeting scheduled for following week to revisit conference attendance and NOFO updates.