

Mississippi Balance of State CoC
Southwest Regional Coalition
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 17, 2017
10:00 a.m.

TIME AND PLACE

The Southwest Regional Coalition Meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. The meeting was held at the WINGS Conference Room (3167 Hwy 51 MM, McComb, MS 39648)

CALL TO ORDER

Reginald Glenn, MS CoC Coordinator called the meeting to order.

PRESENT

Reginald Glenn (MS BoS CoC), Annie May (WINGS), J. Spring (WINGS), Courtney Hicks (CCI), Dorothy Sylvester (CCI), Jean Spring (WINGS), Janet Rogers (WINGS), Mary Gallagher (WINGS), Sheron Brown-Gorden (VOCM), Corene Russell (WINGS), Tracy Cavanaugh (WINGS), Amy Ricedorf (Oak Arbor SSVF), Chamon Williams (CCI SSVF)

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes were not completed for the previous meeting on December 14, 2016. R. Glenn will have minutes completed for the February 2017 meeting.

Reminder: Minutes will not be printed for the meetings starting January 2016. Visit www.msbos.org to view minutes.

ADOPTION / REVIEW OF AGENDA

Attendee adopted a motion to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded. All in favor by acclamation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

I. Agency Report: VOCM

- a. Presented by S. Brown-Gorden.
- b. For more information about VOCM, visit: <http://vocm.org/>

II. Agency Reports – We want to know more about what your agencies do!

- a. REPORT FORMATTING: We want all agencies to be able to give a brief report concerning the programs and initiatives:
 - i. 5 -10 Presentation during coalition meeting
 - ii. PowerPoint capability provided if needed
 - iii. Each agency must volunteer to present a month
- b. VOLUNTEERS slated for NEXT MEETINGS
 - i. February 2017 – N/A

NEW BUSINESS

I. COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEMS

- a. The CoC is working to create an effective network to
 - i. Identify homeless individuals or families
 - ii. Gathers important information from them (that will let us know HOW and WHO can help them)
 - iii. Connect them to services in the region (or beyond) that can help.

- b. And your coalition will be an important piece to making that happen.
- c. A portion of the presentation from the CES Roundtable was used in this discussion. It can be viewed at the following link: <https://msboscoc.files.wordpress.com/2016/06/2016-ces-roundtable-presentation.pdf>
- d. BNL Access
 - i. Go to www.msbos.org
 - ii. Under the 'Homeless Data' menu, click 'CES Training'
 - iii. Training begins with viewing CES webinars online (links included)
 - iv. After viewing the videos, everyone wishing to access the list must take a brief quiz
 - v. Access will be granted within 48-72 hours of taking the quiz.
- e. Using the BNL
 - i. Check List Clients
 - ii. Give client ID to CoC/MUTEH via email or HMIS
 - iii. CoC/MUTEH will respond thru AWARDS w/ contact info and notes.

II. 2017 Point-In-Time Count: Planning & Strategy

- a. A link to this presentation can be viewed here: <https://msboscoc.files.wordpress.com/2016/11/2017-pit-count-planning-and-strategy-nov-08-2016.pdf>

III. 2017 PIT Count Changes

- a. A link to this presentation can be viewed here: <https://muteh.files.wordpress.com/2015/01/2017-pit-count-changes-122116.pdf>

IV. PROGRAM PRACTICES: Understanding and Awareness of Vulnerabilities

- a. View the presentation here: <https://msboscoc.files.wordpress.com/2017/01/understanding-and-awareness-of-vulnerabilities-january-13-2017.pdf>

V. HUD Exchange Notes of the Month – January 2017

- a. **The 2016 AHAR to Congress – November 2016**
 - i. View presentation here: <https://msboscoc.files.wordpress.com/2017/01/2016-ahar-to-congress-120816.pdf>
- b. **HUD's Equal Access Rule & its effect on your programs**
 - i. More info coming soon...

ANNOUNCEMENTS – JANUARY 2017

I. SCHEDULING MEETINGS FOR 2017

- a. To better prepare advocates and members for the CoC's 2017 meetings. The MS Balance of State has compiled a meeting calendar of its important information and gatherings. Download the calendar here: <https://msboscoc.files.wordpress.com/2015/08/msbos-annual-calendar-2017-yearly-calendar-template-vertical-02.pdf>

II. NEW SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS FOR THE BOS

- a. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/msboscoc>
- b. Twitter: <https://twitter.com/msboscoc>

III. NEXT SOUTHWEST MEETING: Tuesday, February 21st, 2017. Location: Natchez, MS.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- a.** During the December 2016 meeting, coalition members scheduled the location of the meetings until the end of 2017. The locations will alternate between Natchez & McComb. January 2017 will begin in McComb. February's meeting will be in Natchez, etc.
- b.** After meeting agencies were supplied with t-shirts, backpacks, and other items to help volunteers implement the PIT Count in their region.