

EISCC - 3/12/19

General Meeting Notes

Linda - welcome & Announcement of voting on adjustment to by-laws

Treasurers Report

- List of current members. Reminder to send memberships dues if you have not.
- Listing of resources
 - o Backpack Meals will be spinning off as individual 501c3
 - MCRC made larger donation

Report out from Board Meeting

- We have been talking about our programs. Next Month is Earth day event.
- Looking at Affordable Housing Conversation. Working towards having a panel in October.
 - o Providence Heights Conversation
- Encourage people to come for Earth Ministries conversation next month.

Change to Article 5. Section 3 Change of number of terms officer may serve. This will allow Warren to remain as treasurer.

Motion made by

Motion seconded by Gordon Wilson

Vote passed by vote to general membership.

Jan Star reporting out about Backpack Meals for Kids. They will be looking to spin off as they now officially have a 501c3.

- Feeding 300 or so meals weekly.
- Working with Bellevue Lifespring

Jean Harris

Many bills up for a vote. If you are tracking them call Faith Action Network for details

Hopelink

- Expanding hours into evenings
- 10-1 & 4:30 -7:30pm Monday & Tuesday evenings
- Tax Clinics on Thursday Evenings, Friday afternoons, and all day Friday

Steve Roberts introduced Bill Hallerman from CCS / CCS – More Than Meets the Eye = Bill Hallerman

Homeless Services

- o 24/7 Low Barrier Shelter

- CCS opened in October = Bridges, 24/7 shelter for homeless men & women
 - People are able to use drugs on site. Pets, Partners, & Possessions
 - Focus on this is trying to get folks inside who traditionally stay away from shelter.
 - 2 populations in one building
 - 75 folks
 - ½ brought directly from navigation teams
 - ½ people through Coordinated Entry as most vulnerable folks
 - 24 folks moved into housing
 - Learning experience as it is a new model.
 - Domestic Violence is an issue
 - Mental Health staff is onsite.
- Second & Third model of this coming.
- Second – in Eastlake area
- Third is partnership with Chief Seattle – tiny housing units brought up from Texas oil fields
- **Trends**
 - Struggling with congregations and the level of mental health and substance abuse in our community.
 - 5 years ago CCS added mental health & chemical dependency program. This is expanding now.
 - Eastside CARES – collaborative campaign to provide space for The New Bethlehem Project.
 - Working together w/ partners to build 24/7 shelter for women and families w/ children.
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 - Changes to HEN & ABD program being worked on in legislature.
 - Transition to Diversion tactics
 - Subsidized housing across Seattle.
 - Methodology of waitlist coming through Coordinated Entry
 - New idea of Low Grade Subsidy – this helps those not eligible for traditional subsidies.
 - Elizabeth Maupin – Landlord/Tenant laws – review laws in legislature regarding shared housing
 - MCRC – working to create shelter for individuals w/ sensitive needs, in particular those with religious needs.

Announcements / Comments (Please send write ups for the minutes to the Secretary for inclusion in the minutes mailing)

MCRC – Kids for Peace put together kits together for those experiencing homelessness.

CFH needs church for March starting in 2020 due to closure of Grace Lutheran

Closing Reflection – Gordon Wilson