

North Urban Human Services Alliance  
Board Meeting Minutes 9/9/10  
8:30-10:00am Kenmore Senior Center

**Present:** Gary Kingsbury, Diane Kolb, Rob Beem, George Smith, Tema Nesoff, Staff—Beth Green

**Absent:** Lori Guilfoyle, Anne Guthrie, Kelsey Beck, Dennis Worsham, Amy Moe, Kate Speltz, Heather Fritz, Kim Thompson

**Guests:** Karen Williams, Lynda Locke

**Call to Order:** George Smith called the meeting to order 8:39am.

**Approval of Minutes:** There was not a quorum of Board Members present required for Board action.

*Old Business*

#### **Committee Reports**

**Nominating Committee Report:** Gary Kingsbury reports Kelsey Beck and George Smith will renew as continuing Board members; Tema Nesoff will renew for a one year term. Four people have accepted positions as new Board members—Tracy Jones—The Compass Center, Julie McFarland—Friends of Youth, Judy Parson—Shoreline/Northshore Network and Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Senior Center and Karen Williams—Housing Consortium have accepted. Leslie Brooks—Hopelink was approached but is on vacation. Diane Kolb will continue as Treasurer, Tema Nesoff will accept the Vice President position, Gary Kingsbury will accept the President position and George Smith has been asked to be Secretary. Our slate of nominees will be sent out two weeks in advance of our Annual meeting as required by our Bylaws.

**Membership Committee Report:** Diane Kolb reported the Annual Meeting and the Human Services Awards will be held October 28<sup>th</sup> at Third Place Commons. The Membership Committee hopes to award both an individual and an agency award. One submission has been received to date.

**Policy Committee Report:** Rob Beem reports the Policy Committee took positions on upcoming initiatives. The Committee is currently in the process of writing NUHSA's positions. Next step, various NUHSA members will take the r Needs Assessment Report and NUHSA's position on the initiatives to the five city council meetings in North King County. Gary Kingsbury will replace Kathy DePape and present to Kenmore. It was suggested presenters pick a statistic from the report to highlight that is a burning issue either personally or to that particular city. If city budgets are going to be drastically cut we need to re-envision how to give support.

**Proposed 2011 Work Plan:** Gary Kingsbury reports the Affordable Housing Stakeholders meetings will continue with Karen Williams facilitating the program into the New Year. Tema Nesoff described NUHSA as the pulse for Human Services in the North King County; it is the heart, the hands and the feet of Human Services, identifying needs as well as doing something about it. We are the voice for Human Services—do we want to expand on this idea? Next year will be very difficult, NUHSA’s role will be vital. NUHSA could initiate helping agencies partner together to achieve their goals. Because of funding cuts government will not be as big a player as in the past, NUHSA may want to explore more work with churches and the idea of helping your neighbor. The June 18<sup>th</sup> event with Snohomish United Way highlighted the lack of awareness about community services and asset resources. Expanding collaborations, getting more involvement with churches and businesses, as well as more diverse collaborations may be a future direction for NUHSA. Education is slashing future trainings, transportation is a barrier—can we build on this? Can we continue work with UW Snohomish to keep the ideas from the June 18<sup>th</sup> event active—i.e. private partnerships as a targeted concept? NUHSA could help organizations see the North End as an entity. Keeping the Mobility Coalition and the Homelessness meetings continuing is a priority.

**Proposed 2011 Budget and Financial Documents:** Diane Kolb reports Tema Nesoff says we collected \$9756.55 in membership fees. We anticipate United Way supporting us again but should check with Lori Guilfoyle. We will carry over \$12,000 and expenses have been \$11,165 to date. It was suggested we put the Needs Assessment Report in the libraries in our area. Diane Kolb asks if we want to keep our budget as in the past, is there a need to keep the graphic artist and printing costs in place? NUHSA will publish something annually but not necessarily have the same needs. A \$15,000 budget will be appropriate for 2011. We will probably spend an additional \$3000-\$4000 before the end of the year. Hopefully the Membership drive will start in the beginning in or 2011. Do not know if King County Organizing will be fluid next year. It should be a goal for membership development to increase and diversify to businesses, churches etc.

**Board Meeting Dates:** George Smith reports the next meeting is scheduled for Nov 11<sup>th</sup> we will cancel this meeting and meet at our regularly scheduled December 9<sup>th</sup> time at the Kenmore Senior Center.

**Adjourned 10:11am**