

Meeting Minutes - Advocacy Committee

March 1, 2016

Michael Barlow Center

10-11:30 a.m.

Minutes

- I. Welcome & Introductions
 - a. See sign-in sheet for attendance.
- II. Committee Meeting Date Change
 - a. 1st Wednesday of the month at 10am.
- III. Action Items from February Meeting
 - a. Art Bendixen: Potential SPC Assistance Regarding Advocacy
 - i. Jennifer Nelson-Seals offered to setup a meeting.
 - b. February Board of Director Meeting Request for Extra Advocacy Assistance
 - i. Jennifer Nelson-Seals attended and made a recruitment pitch.
- IV. Committee Membership Recruitment Process
 - a. Jim LoBianco offered to reach out to Joel Mitchell at DFFS to represent ESG.
 - b. There was discussion about reaching out to Sheriff Dart's office for government representation.
 - c. Jennifer and Jim agreed to try and identify "Private Funder."
- V. Collaborating with Chicago Coalition for the Homeless
 - a. Ed Shurna Potentially Assisting with Committee/Liaison to All Chicago
 - i. Jim L. will provide Ed Shurna with more information.
 - b. Tedd Peso Liaison with Chicago Coalition for the Homeless
 - i. Jennifer N.-S. will setup a meeting with Doug S. from CCH.
- VI. Update Committee Work Plan
 - a. Began discussion of how we want the other committees to effectively communicate with Advocacy so that we can build a synchronized advocacy agenda.
- VII. General Announcements
 - a. Tedd Peso informed the group about HB4965 and its mirror bill in the Senate, which will release homeless funding dollars.
 - b. Advocates will be meeting with Cullerton and are trying to secure a meeting with Madigan.