

Serve Wisconsin – Program Evaluation and Development Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 7, 2016

Committee Chairman Tony Hallman called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., December 7, 2016, at Goodman Community Center, 149 Waubesa Street, Madison, WI.

Committee Members Present

Tony Hallman, Committee Chair; Lisa Delmore; Michael Hinman; Paula Horning; Amy McDowell

Other Board Members Present

Mark Beres

Committee Members Not Present - Excused

Jane Moore

Committee Members Not Present – Unknown Status

Scott Fromader, Kathy Groat

Staff Present

Jessica Kessler, Amy Porter, Daria Rydzak, Jana Steinmetz, Casey Sweeney, Steven Yule

Program Representation

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee, College Possible, Dane County Human Services, Easter Seals Wisconsin, Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation, Milwaukee Christian Center, North Central Community Action Program, Public Allies Milwaukee, Renewal Unlimited, Teach for America – Milwaukee, United Way of Dane County – Achievement Connections, United Way of Dane County – Schools of Hope, UW-Eau Claire, Western Dairyland EOC, WI Association for Homeless & Runaway Services, WI Primary Health Care Association, WI Dept. of Public Instruction

Introductions

Board members and staff introduced themselves.

Approval of May 24, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Paula Horning made a motion to approve the May 24, 2016 meeting minutes. Seconded by Lisa Delmore. Motion passed unanimously.

Overview of Competitive Application Process

Jessica Kessler provided an overview of the 2017-2018 Competitive application process.

2017-2018 AmeriCorps Competitive Funding Recommendations

Continuation Fixed Amount and Recompete Professional Corps Fixed Amount Applications - Recommendations

Applicant representatives gave presentations and applications considered for Continuation Fixed Amount funding were: College Possible; Public Allies Milwaukee; and WI Primary Health Care Association.

Applicant representatives gave presentation and application considered for Recompete Professional Corps Fixed Amount funding was: Teach for America - Milwaukee.

Amy McDowell made a motion to forward the Continuation Fixed Amount and Recompete Professional Corps Fixed Amount applications to the full Board for consideration. Seconded by Paula Horning. Motion passed unanimously.

Continuation and New/Recompete Competitive Applications - Recommendations

Applicant representatives gave presentations and applications considered for Continuation Competitive funding were: Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee – Summer Slide Prevention, Kinder Academy, & Graduation Plus; Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation – AmeriCorps Afterschool; Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation – Volunteer Wisconsin; Milwaukee Christian Center; North Central Community Action Program; United Way of Dane County – Schools of Hope; and UW Eau Claire – ECLIPSE.

Applicant representatives gave presentations and applications considered for New/Recompete Competitive funding were: Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee – SPARK/Arts & Environmental Education; Dane County Human Services; Easter Seals Wisconsin; Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation – Recovery Corps; Renewal Unlimited, Inc.; United Way of Dane County – Achievement Connections; Western Dairyland EOC; WI Association for Homeless & Runaway Services; WI Dept. of Public Instruction.

The Committee decided to vote separately and individually on the four applications with special considerations: Milwaukee Christian Center; Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation – Recovery Corps; Renewal Unlimited, Inc.; and Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council.

Lisa Delmore made a motion to forward the Continuation Competitive and New/Recompete Competitive applications to the full Board for consideration, excluding Milwaukee Christian Center; Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation – Recovery Corps; Renewal Unlimited, Inc.; and Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council. Seconded by Amy McDowell. Motion passed unanimously.

Lisa Delmore made a motion to recommend to the full Board that the 80% performance scoring threshold be waived for the Milwaukee Christian Center application, and the application be forwarded to the full Board for consideration of full funding, based on the corrective action plan information provided by the applicant. Seconded by Amy McDowell. Motion passed unanimously.

The Committee considered the results of the Quality Control Review of the Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation – Recovery Corps application, and Lisa Delmore made a motion to recommend to the full Board that the application be considered for funding at the requested amount of \$276,600 for 20 full-time members. Seconded by Paula Horning. Motion passed unanimously.

Paula Horning made a motion to recommend to the full Board that the 80% performance scoring threshold be waived for the Renewal Unlimited, Inc. application, and the application be forwarded to the full Board for consideration of full funding, based on the corrective action plan information provided by the applicant. Seconded by Lisa Delmore. Motion passed unanimously.

The Committee considered that the Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council does not meet the CNCS minimum threshold of 20 AmeriCorps members. Lisa Delmore made a motion to recommend to the full Board that the Western Dairyland application be moved directly to the Formula funding process for consideration of their request for 17 AmeriCorps members. Seconded by Paula Horning. Motion passed unanimously.

Ranking of New/Recompete Applications

The Committee considered the numerical ranking of New/Recompete applications; staff's recommended ranking included consideration of average application score and, for existing programs, program performance scoring.

Amy McDowell made a motion to recommend to the full Board the 1-9 ranking as listed on the Peer Review Scores & Ranking – 2017-2018 Competition chart. Seconded by Lisa Delmore. Motion passed unanimously.

In a continuation of the Board Member and Staff Introductions agenda item, new staff member Daria Rydzak provided some information about her background.

In a continuation of the Overview of Competitive Application Process agenda item, Jessica Kessler provided information about Serve Wisconsin's overall AmeriCorps funding situation and the likelihood that additional Requests for Proposals will have to be issued in Spring 2017.

Adjourn

Paula Horning made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Lisa Delmore. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.