



## Healthy Pontiac, We Can!

Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2019

### Members Present:

China Acquino	OLHSA
Anita Barksdale	St. Joseph Mercy Oakland
Kat Benford	Gleaners
Lisa Braddix	Greater Detroit Area Health Council
Karen Chappell	Girl Scouts
Chelsea Cooks	PAL
Justen Daniels	Oakland University
Steffyne Glenn	GIRDLE
Jon Hayes	Village of Oakland Woods – PVM
Sue Hiltz	Sheriff PAL
Kim Hodge	Pontiac Sun Time Bank
Thomas Lawrence	T.G.L. Enterprises
Nicole Lazzara	Meridian Health Plan
Sonya LeDuff-Malone	Pontiac Sun Time Bank / OLHSA
Jennifer Lucarelli	Oakland University
Lisa Machesky	Oakland Literacy Council
Kelli Marshall	Blue Cross Complete
James McQueen	Lighthouse at Oakland
Paola Nkwuzor	OUPI / Parent University
Margarita Ovalle	Centro Multicultural La Familia
Donald Sampson	Volunteers of America
Virginia Uhley	OUIWB School of Medicine
Lyndsay Tye	Oakland Mediation Center
Sherian Williams	Next Level Coaching & Mentoring
Kristen Wiltfang	OC Economic Development & Community Affairs
Debbie Wisser	OCHN

### Guests Present:

Margaret Caldwell	Pontiac Resident
Mary Hogan	
Scot Kiogima	Pontiac Resident
Melody Norman	Pontiac Resident
Zenet Patton	

### Staff Present:

Signa Metivier	Oakland County Health Division
Jessica Williams	Oakland County Health Division

## **1. Introductions**

The meeting of Healthy Pontiac, We Can! was called to order by J. Lucarelli at 1:07 p.m. on August 13, 2019 at the Lighthouse at Oakland, 46156 Woodward Ave, Pontiac, 48342

Jenny Poma, Chief Operating Officer for Lighthouse welcomed HPWC! members and shared that on July 1, 2019 Lighthouse merged with the South Oakland Shelter (SOS) in Lathrup Village creating the new Lighthouse that will operate three locations in Pontiac, Southfield, and Clarkston.

## **2. Partnership Updates**

Member introductions and agency updates. Send agency events and updates to Jessica Williams, [williamsjr@oakgov.com](mailto:williamsjr@oakgov.com) between meeting dates.

## **3. Approval of Minutes**

J. Lucarelli asked members for changes/corrections to minutes for June 11, 2019. Approved unanimously.

## **4. Stakeholder Mapping**

J. Williams provided members copies of HPWC's "3 Year Strategic Action Plan (2019-2021)" and the current stakeholder mapping chart. Members reviewed the list and their agency's "type of organization" placement. J. Williams will add OCHN under local government and public health; Pontiac Sun Time Bank move to community organization; add Next Level Coaching to school and faith based; LBR add to schools/after school programming; include OLHSA under school and public health/healthcare; Girdle under community organizations, faith based, and after school; Pontiac Parent University under schools; include Lighthouse under community organization/human service agency; add Village of Oakland Woods under community organization and faith based; TGL under schools/after school programming.

Discussion ensued on categories and stakeholders missing on the stakeholder mapping chart.

## **5. Networking Break**

## **6. Safe Routes to School Update**

K. Wiltfang informed members they narrowed down the Safe Routes schools to Alcott Elementary on the city's north west side and Herrington Elementary on the city's east side. She shared aerials of the neighborhood around Alcott from 1940, 1963 (school is added), 1974, 2017 and current photos showing the safety and security issues, sidewalks, and access walkways/pathways around the school.

K. Wiltfang also shared historical and current photos of Herrington showing the playground, community garden, baseball backstops that are not being used and could be removed, and a natural area that has no fencing to separate the kids/school from it. She said vegetation management would be helpful around the school.

She said they need a local champion for each school and would like to do an awareness walk with neighbors around the schools and also get user counts of how many people bike, walk, drive, or take the bus to school and is there congestion in the drop off/pick up areas or conflict between students and vehicles in those areas.

K. Wiltfang informed members they need to narrow it down to one school because there is a lot of work to be done within the school in order to qualify for funding and it's better to do it really well and take what they learn to other schools.

### **7. Organizational Structure**

J. Lucarelli informed members HPWC has two new co-chairs, Lisa Braddix, Greater Detroit Area Health Council (GDAHC) and Terese Teasley, founder of Pontiac Community Alliance.

### **8. Speed Dater**

Lisa Braddix informed members that GDAHC is a regional health collaborative and part of the network for Regional Health and Improvement which is a national organization. They are non-profit and non-governmental, so they invite organizations/stakeholders from across several sectors to do collective impact work focused on improving health.

L. Braddix reviewed for members some of the programs and projects GDAHC has worked on.

L. Braddix also shared background information on Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Theta Lambda Omega Chapter which serves Pontiac. She said they are currently celebrating 111 years of service.

### **8. Adjournment**

Being no further business, J. Lucarelli adjourned the meeting at 3:09 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m. on October 8, 2019 at the Lighthouse of Oakland County, 46156 Woodward Ave, Pontiac, 48342. Please enter the building through Door C.

Minutes submitted by: Signa Metivier

Approved by: Jessica Williams