Welcome and Introductions

Scott Schnyders welcomed all the members present and called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM.

Approval of Minutes from October Meeting

Scott asked the committee to review the October 23rd meeting minutes as distributed. Jennifer Keaton requested a correction to the October meeting minutes for the Rapid Rehousing / Dynamic Prioritization agenda topic. The correction should be success rate for those maintaining permanent housing or exit to positive destinations. Scott asked the committee to review the October 23rd meeting minutes as distributed. Jennifer Keaton moved to approve the October minutes with the recommended amendment. Lisa Waikem seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CoC Board Updates

Marcie was unable to attend the meeting and so Melissa Terrell updated the committee on her behalf. Melissa informed us that the CoC Board did approve all of the policy changes that were submitted from the October Coordinated Entry meeting. She also let us know that the ESG Application funding was approved that that it will be posted to the website in early January. The committee was also made aware that the Agency Partner Agreement and been updated and sent out for approval. Melissa also shared that the System Performance committee
requested 54 more PSH beds in the 5-year strategic goal. The hope would be to work with private and public entities to increase availability of affordable housing.

Quality Assurance Updates

Jennifer said there were not really any updates from quality assurance. She did let the group know that they are looking at moving the QA meetings to the 2nd Friday of the month pending approval from the members who attend.

Registrations of Individuals Being Release from Institutions

Jennifer introduced this topic and gave a little background as to why it was being discussed. A community member had raised concern about how our Coordinated Entry policies were treating individuals being released from institutions such as Prison, Mental Health Institutions, Nursing Homes, Hospitals, etc. The community member was concerned that we were making it difficult for individuals to enter the system. After further discussion it was determined that it was important that we are only registering clients who are category 1 homeless as our policy indicates. Teresa also mentioned that this serves as a diversion means for many of these institutions and changing the policy would likely create an increase in the number of calls and intakes that would need to be completed by the Homeless Navigation staff. The consensus of the group was to leave the policy as it is currently written.

Chronic Homeless Strategic Plan Objective

Marcie was not present and we agreed to have her present this at the January CE meeting. The committee members discussed briefly an objective outlined in the Strategic Plan for the Chronically Homeless population. The discussion was in regards the length of time homeless for applicants on the Prioritization List (PL). Chronic Homelessness (CH) is not ideal and could impact the system-wide outcomes. To create a sense of urgency for housing the CH population, committee members discussed creating a “Hot List” that would identify applicants on the on the PL that are reaching the 9-10 month mark.

Other Business

Jackie followed up on some information from the October meeting letting us know that some managed care companies will offer assistance with rent for those who have Medicaid.

Adjournment

Scott adjourned the meeting at 10:03 AM.