



AGENDA
RESIDENT & COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
January 19, 2016
4:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Old Business:
 - Approval of the Minutes
 - October 20, 2015
5. Public Information/Comments and Input from the Public
6. New Business:
 - Presentation of “Avenues to Success”
7. Housing Taskforce Update
8. Elderly Services Grant Activity Report
9. FSS Activity Report
10. Resident Advisory Board Report
11. Other Business
12. CEO Remarks
13. Adjournment



RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY
OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

October 20, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Resident and Community Relations Committee was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at the Wilmington Housing Authority, 1524 South 16th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina.

Committee Members Present: Stuart Franck, Chair

Committee Members Absent: Betsy Kahn, Commissioner
Jeff Hovis, Commissioner
Helayne Levy, Commissioner
Alfredia McDonald, Commissioner

Others Present: Katrina H. Redmon, CEO
Linda D. Philipp, Executive Assistant to the CEO
Vernice Hamilton, Director of HR/Resident Services
Matt Scaparro, Director of Property Management
Chris Gnapinski, Procurement Manager
Rose Coston, Client Services Coordinator
Hattie McIver, Community Liaison Coordinator
Teresa Gooden, Resident Services
Lt. Kathy Cochran, WPD
Glendora Mullins, RAB President

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Resident and Community Relations Committee was called to order by Stuart Franck, Chair of the Committee, at 4:00 p.m. on October 20, 2015, pursuant to the notice sent to the Commissioners and Staff of Wilmington Housing Authority.

2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken and a quorum was not present.

3. Approval of Agenda

Due to not having a quorum present, no action was taken.

4. Approval of Minutes

Due to not having a quorum present, no action was taken.

5. Housing Taskforce Update Including Crime Stats

Lt Kathy Cochran presented the Public Housing Stats:

- September stats show a decrease of 58% in Part 1 (robbery and aggravated assault) crimes and Part 2 (burglary, larceny, and MV theft.)
- Year- to-date: increase 8% (two main problems)
 - Aggravated Assault
 - B&E/Burglary
 - Larceny
- Fieldtrip – 8 children from different sites
 - Ferry to Southport, NC
 - Private tour of Coast Guard
 - Aquarium

6. ROSS Grant Activity Report

Ms. Hamilton presented the ROSS Grant Activity Report:

- Rose Coston and Hattie McIver are our ROSS Service Coordinators
 - Primary job function is to provide ROSS participants in the program with supportive services to what they need to obtain self-sufficiency
- Cameron Art Museum – November, provide parenting and children workshops
 - Dates and times are pending
- Brigade Boys & Girls Club at Hillcrest
- 22 enrolled (after school program)
- 6 attend at the teen center
- 7 parents providing childcare assistance
- 3 childcare centers agreed to work with our residence
- Bus tickets and gas cards

7. Elderly Services Grant Activity Report

Ms. Hamilton reported on the following:

- Ms. Gooden the Elderly Services Coordinator at Glover Plaza, Inc.
- Primary job is assuring eldering residents receive the type of services to remain independent
- Coordinates with service providers in our community
- Wilmington Police Department
 - Protecting Yourself workshop
 - Senior Safety workshop
- UNCW – Guardianship workshop
- Services from Deaf and Hard of Hearing workshops
- Health Department- nutrition and fitness workshop
- Kids Making It
 - Recent session at Glover Plaza, Inc.

- Flowerbeds
- Every Tuesday at 12:00pm (Garden Club)

8. FSS Activity Report

Ms. Redmon reported the following:

- 80 participants
- HCV – looking towards homeownership
- Last four months, six graduates
- Looking forward to strengthen and expand this program to cover the basics towards self-sufficiency

9. Resident Advisory Board Report

Ms. Mullins reported the following:

- Primary focus – Annual Plan
- Still need volunteers for Houston Moore

10. Other Business

No other business at this time.

11. CEO Comments

Ms. Redmon's following remarks:

- Barriers Report presentation in January
 - Surveys from our communities
- Beginning in January, RCR Committee meetings will be monthly, the Tuesday before the monthly Board meeting at 4:00pm
- Public Information/Comments and Input from Public WHA section:
 - Moving from Board meetings to RCR Committee meetings beginning in January
 - Due to confidentiality, general summaries will be provided
- Location of RCR Committee meeting:
 - Traveling location (different sites and Central Office- alternate)
 - Announcing the new change
 - Transition period: January, February, and March 2016
 - Posted on all properties
 - Briefed at RAB meeting to keep residents informed

12. Adjournment

Commissioner Franck adjourns the meeting.



**RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS
COMMITTEE MEETING**
OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY
OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA
July 21, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Resident and Community Relations Committee was held on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at the Wilmington Housing Authority, 1524 South 16th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina.

Committee Members Present: Stuart Franck, Chair
Betsy Kahn, Commissioner
Helayne Levy, Commissioner
Alfredia McDonald, Commissioner

Committee Members Absent: Jeffrey G. Hovis, Commissioner

Others Present: Katrina H. Redmon, CEO
Sara Davis, Executive Assistant
G. Vernice Hamilton, Director of HR/Resident Services
Hattie McIver, Community Liaison Coordinator
Rose Coston, Client Services Coordinator
Rhonda Mack, Director of HCV
Michelle Kerwin, Director of Finance
Glenn Floyd, Director of Modernization

Lt. Kathy Cochran, WPD
Glendora Mullins, RAB President

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Resident and Community Relations Committee was called to order by the Chair at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2015. Pursuant to the Notice sent to the Commissioners and Staff of Wilmington Housing Authority.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January 8, 2015 Resident and Community Relations Committee meeting were reviewed, Commissioner Kahn made the motion to approve minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Housing Task Force Update

Lt. Kathy Cochran stated May stats show a decrease of 38% in Part 1 (murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) crimes and burglary has increased from 1 in 2014 to 5 this year.

Commissioner McDonald asked about police presence at Pauline Place since a large percentage of residents are on Section 8. She stated the activity is moving from Creekwood to Pauline Place.

Ms. Redmon explained that the Housing Task Force is a team that is assigned to public housing only but asked Ms. Cochran to please ask the district officers to check out that area. Lt. Cochran stated she would do so.

Commissioner McDonald asked how the trespass list is coming in regards to the purging process and Ms. Redmon stated the people that have passed away are being removed but to be removed from the list requires individuals to make that request.

Lt. Cochran stated they are working on the list and if there is not proper documentation to support someone on the list then they are removed. Lt. Cochran stated she is unsure what that number is exactly.

Commissioner McDonald requested the numbers be given to her in the next two weeks.

Lt. Cochran stated a person moving out of state does not warrant them being removed from the list. She stated the only way to be removed from the list is to appeal to WHA.

4. Resident Council Update

Ms. Hamilton reported that Hillcrest Resident Council has new officers and they are still actively working to get participation at Houston Moore and Glover.

Commissioner Franck asked how many residents' sit on the Board and Ms. Hamilton said there were 5 on the Hillcrest Board and Kevin Dixon is the new president.

Glendora Mullins stated the RAB Officers would be doing another walk through on the sites that do not have officers.

Commissioner McDonald stated she was contacted by the group from Vesta Village regarding the community room ceiling. She reported to the Committee that the roof has had cracks and/or leaking since she reported 3 years ago.

Mr. Floyd stated a resolution is coming to the Board this month for a contract to repair the ceiling, roof, paint, exterior, lighting, etc. He stated the one place that was sagging has been repaired.

Ms. Redmon stated a temporary fix was done on the ceiling and now structural testing was done so a permanent repair can be done.

5. Community Partners Report

Ms. Mclver reported on the following:

- Scholarships to attend summer camps were awarded to kids in WHA Communities by UNCW, Cameron Art Museum and Kids Making It.
- Kids Making It is offering a summer jobs program for youth 15 to 18 at \$8.00 an hour. Fourteen of WHA youth were hired for this program.
- Summer lunch programs are at Creekwood, Hillcrest, Vesta Village, Woodbridge, Eastbrook and Houston Moore. As of July 7th 1186 lunches.
- Friendly Dental Van visited Creekwood, Houston Moore and Hillcrest.
- 21 youth participated in the Gun Violence Prevention Program.

Ms. Redmon if the Dental Van arranges to see residents at sites not listed and Ms. Mclver stated they do contact the other sites and arrange transportation.

Commissioner Franck suggested staff survey parents and children to find specific interests in regards to summer camps and target specific areas to find scholarships.

- Financial Literacy Class at Hillcrest had 11 in attendance.

Ms. Mack stated this class is offered quarterly through the FSS Program and is taught by different people from area banks.

6. Resident Advisory Board Report

Ms. Glendora Mullins reported the internet at the Creekwood Computer Lab is down and has been for a couple of days. She stated 8 brand new computers were donated for use at Creekwood.

Ms. Redmon asked Ms. Hamilton to check into the internet connection issues.

Ms. Mullins asked about the whereabouts of 2 other computers that were given to her for the use at Creekwood but were brought to central office.

Ms. Redmon stated she would check into the problems and have an answer to Ms. Mullins tomorrow.

Tony Fisher stated he had not heard of the problems but would go to Creekwood this evening and find out what the problem is.

7. CEO Remarks

Ms. Redmon reported to the Committee about the complaint from Mr. Steve Lees regarding police interaction with boys that were eating potato chips and dropped the bag on the ground. She reported having viewed the video and audio from the event and found no inappropriate behavior by the officers.

Ms. Redmon stated she has set up a meeting with Cpt. Williams and Steve Lee to address Mr. Lee's other request to meet with WHA and the Police Dept.

8. Adjournment

A motion made by Commissioner Kahn and seconded by Commissioner Levy to adjourn the meeting carried unanimously.