

# LA BOSCO Board Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2020 | 2 PM to 3 PM

## Attendance

### Board Members (Voting)

Winona Connor (Chair), Antiqua Hunter, Dylan Waguespack, Gail Gowland, Tarek Polite, Weston Schild

### Appointed Board Officers (Non-Voting)

n/a

### Staff (Non-Voting)

Gordon Levine (CoC Manager), Carrie Patterson, Josh Dean

### Guests (Non-Voting)

Kat McGraw, Keith Richard

## Opening

Meeting convened at 2:10 PM.

## REVIEW: Board Meeting Structure

Tabled discussion of the Opening Meeting Law until other more Board members are present.

## REVIEW AND VOTE: Monitoring extension request from Empower 225

Levine presented the issue to the Board.

McGraw addressed the Board to further explain the reason Empower 225 was requesting an extension (staff member's computer was stolen; computer contained all monitoring response work to date).

Levine opened the issue for discussion.

Levine asked whether the delay was still necessary given that Empower 225 has been preparing for the monitoring. McGraw responded that it was.

Polite asked what the agency was doing to ensure this situation wouldn't occur in the future. McGraw responded that future monitoring records would be maintained on Google Drive and Charity Tracker to ensure duplication of documentation.

Levine moved that the Board vote on the extension request. Waguespack seconded.

The Board voted unanimously to grant Empower 225 an extension. CoC staff will work with Empower 225 to establish a new date that works for all parties.

## REVIEW AND VOTE: PIT Count participation from Options for Independence

Levine presented the issue to the Board.

Polite requested information on Options for Independence (O4I)'s CoC Program project performance. Levine responded that O4I scored 64/100 in the last CoC Program Local Competition and was ranked 19 out of 21 renewal housing projects. Levine recommended that the Board not base their decision about a Good Standing waiver on project performance, as Good Standing waivers are fundamentally distinct from project performance issues.

Polite requested clarification about what would happen to O4I's CoC Program project funding if a waiver was not granted. Levine responded that the funding would remain with the LA BOSCOG and would most likely be reallocated into the appropriate new project funding pool.

Polite requested information about information about O4I's CoC Program project design, delivery, and outcomes. Levine responded that he did not have any further information.

Richard asked whether O4I had any previous infractions or other compliance issues. Levine responded that he did not have any further information and reiterated his encouragement that the Board not base their decision on anything outside the Good Standing issue.

Hunter requested more information about the agency. Levine provided more information about the agency.

Levine requested that the Board propose a vote.

Waguespack proposed that the Board vote to deny a waiver of Good Standing to O4I. Polite seconded.

The Board voted unanimously to deny a waiver of Good Standing to O4I.

Levine advised the Board that O4I would likely request to revisit this issue with the Board at a future date.

## Other Topics

Levine opened the floor to other topics.

Levine and Waguespack discussed HUD's just-announced NOFA to reduce unsheltered homelessness and whether the LA BOSCOG would be eligible or competitive for these funds. There was no affirmative conclusion.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM.