



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Draft CITY, COUNTY, SCHOOLS COLLABORATIVE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

5:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - William Tishler; Tag Evers; Nichelle Nichols; Maia E. Pearson; Jacob Wright and Heidi Wegleitner

Absent: 2 - Linda Vakunta and TJ McCray

Others present: Mary O'Donnell, Melisa Mennig, Jani Koester, Johneisha Prescott

Wegleitner called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Nichols, seconded by Evers to approve the February 14, 2024 minutes. Motion passed with Wright abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [82431](#) Public Comment Mar 2024 CCSCC

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

2. [82432](#) Family Shelter Wait list, Doubled-Up Families and Need for Overflow Shelter - Johneisha Prescott - DCHS, Jani Koester-MMSD, Melissa Mennig - DCHS

Attachments: [Family Shelter-Unmet Needs Presentation.pdf](#)
[City County Schools Collaborative Presentation.pdf](#)

Melissa Mennig - Housing Program Specialist DCHS, Johneisha Prescott - Housing Strategy Specialist DCHS, and Jani Koester - TEP Lead Resource Teacher Madison Schools were in attendance to present information.

Melissa and Johneisha shared a PowerPoint Presentation. Melissa discussed homeless definition and how families that are "doubled up" are different. There are family shelters in the Madison area, but they are full and have waiting lists. Melissa also discussed shelter diversion programs, waitlist case management, hoteling and day resource center.

Johneisha discussed the Doubled-Up Pilot Program. Accurate counts of doubled up families are difficult to calculate. 2 proposals were chosen for the pilot. These proposals would offer direct assistance to help 60 households within one year and individual case management plans. Urban Triage will help those throughout Dane county and WayForward Resource will help those within Middleton-Cross Plains school district zip codes or that have a child enrolled within the Middleton-Cross Plains school district.

Jani discussed US Department of Education definition of Homelessness vs. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) one. The HUD definition does not prioritize families that are doubled up. The McKinney Vento Rights mandates that every school district must have a homeless liaison and offer services necessary transportation for students and families that identify as homeless. Students experiencing homelessness are more likely to see academic repercussions like falling behind and lower test scores. Additional information can be found in the Community Plan to End Homelessness.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Evers, seconded by Wright to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 pm.
Motion passed by voice vote.