

Minutes
HOMELESS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
September 10, 2007 – 11:30am
Siouxland Health & Human Services Building

Member present: Alan Graff, Tam Baker, Judy Buseman, Vernon Brown, Shirley Halleen, Carol Twedt, Hugh Grogan

Members absent: Randy Bartunek

Others present: Kari Benz, Minnehaha County Human Services, Russ Sorenson, Planning Department, Shireen Ranschau, SF Housing, Steve Brende, Homeless Advocates of SD, and Stacey Tieszen, HAB Homeless Coordinator.

I. Approval of Minutes – 08/27/07 Minutes

Upon motion Shirley Halleen, seconded by Judy Buseman, the HAB approved the minutes of the 08/27/07 meeting as mailed. Carried unanimously.

II. Homeless Coordinator Progress Report

Stacey Tieszen provided an update of the activities and accomplishments since the last HAB meeting.

III. Committee Reports – Review Accomplishments & Target Dates

A. Need Committee – Hugh Grogan reported.

- Discussed the Vacancy report provided by the SD Multi-Housing Authority.
- Discussed surveying the Homeless population again and that the information may be obtained from the Statewide Survey being done on 09/20/07.
- Discussed combining the Needs Committee, Case Management Committee and Family Committees into one committee and reformulating the goals and objectives.
- Discussed the additional recommendations of the Needs Committee: the need for 50 units of additional SRO's, and if an interested party would be interest in buying a hotel, we support this but not as a solution for more housing as these are existing units currently being used by low-income population.

B. Faith-Based Committee