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Oahu Continuum of Care

*Our mission is to eliminate homelessness through open and inclusive participation
and the coordination of integrated responses*

**PIC Advocacy Committee Meeting
December 18, 2018, 12:00-1:30
Central Union Church
MINUTES**

**Attendees: Gavin Thornton, Marya Grambs, Mike Goodman, Anna Miller, Jason Kasamoto,
Jillian Okamoto, Christie MacPherson, Greg Payton, Judith Clark, Larry Chun, Mike McNulty**

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Outcome/ Action
I. Meeting called to order	12:05	
II. Introductions		
III. Approval of October and November minutes		Approved as amended
IV. Continuing business: Legislative Planning	<p>Mike Goodman: PIC Omnibus bill drafted, in process, to be reviewed by group.</p> <p>Nikos set up meetings with San Buenaventura and Chang, Mike set up meeting with Ruderman, Marya met with Chris Lee.</p> <p>Judith: Two bills in Keiki Caucus – will do youth outreach bill separately combined with safe places for youth pilot project; and decriminalize status offenses for youth.</p> <p>Jillian – Kupuna Caucus will meet in January, would like PIC representative.</p> <p>Christy: made presentations to staff of Family Promise; Next Step shelter; US Vets, Weinberg Village Waimanalo. Has been a positive response. Asked them to refer to clients. Then will do one-on-ones with clients. Then leadership development. Slow build; will take time. May be able to home in on a few clients.</p> <p>Judith: Get short written statements with personal stories and then we can attach to PIC’s testimony. We would read quotes from their letters when we testify. Judith will share a sample of these writings. Include feelings: How they feel when resources that are needed are not there. Perhaps not</p>	

	<p>include agency. Recommendation: that FACE collect short written statements including personal stories from staff members to be used in testimony.</p> <p>We will do walk-around instead of Legislative Breakfast.</p> <p>Christy: Major housing rally being planned, led by FACE.</p> <p>Building Industry Assoc. addressing the fact that we have the slowest permitting process in the nation.</p> <p>Jason to set up google schedule</p> <p>Lessons from last year: don't write too much. How can we show what we've done with their money? Need consistent pitch. Gavin's favorite line: he came across a statement <u>"Hawaii's been experiencing housing problems and has now become a crisis."</u> It was written 30 years ago.</p> <p>Betty Lou: revise last year's materials; she will take lead on updating materials from last year. Stats on HF, Fam Assess, RRH - does Scott's office have any data: HF has 96% success rate; it costs \$30K for a homeless person.</p>	<p>FACE – and the rest of us - will attempt to collect short written statements - personal stories- from staff members and/or clients of homeless agencies to be used in testimony.</p>
Communications Plan	<p>Jason will develop communications plan for session targeting the priorities. Include: Applesseed report on PSH in January; get media engagement on that. Throughout session – schedule meetings with Advertiser, Civil Beat editorial boards; generate a series of op eds on different components of the legislative agenda from different perspectives. For example, an op ed by Justin Phillips on outreach. We need to have a constant drumbeat.</p>	<p>Jason developing Communications Plan</p>
Note	<p>Need to recruit more core members willing to meet with legislators.</p>	
Adjourned	<p>1:26</p>	

Minutes by Marya Grambs