

Appropriations Committee Meeting Minutes

Location: Meeting conducted virtually through the NC Judicial Center (WebEx)

Date: Monday, June 27th, 2022

Scheduled

1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Time:

Committee Jasmine McGhee, Deana Joy, Danielle M. Carman, Angelica Wind, Nancy Hagan,

Member Jennifer Haigwood, Joseph Kyzer, Marc Nichols (entered at 1:06pm)

Attendees:

Other Human Trafficking Commission Staff: Christine Long and Lauren Amato

Attendees: Members of the public were also invited to watch or listen into the meeting vis

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Agenda items

- 1. Call to Order & Roll Call Attendance was conducted at 1:03pm by Committee Chair, Angelica Wind. Chair Wind also read the required ethics statement to all present.
- 2. Approval of the Minutes: Chair Wind asked for corrections to the minutes from the June 6, 2022 meeting. No changes were proposed by committee members. Commissioner Haigwood made a motion to pass the minutes and Commissioner McGhee seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 3. Section 16.22 Facility Improvement: Update → Christine Long fielded questions and gave a general update about the progress of the facility improvement request for proposals that was issued on June 1st. To date, 17 applications have been received and many questions have been fielded by both HTC and AOC staff. Lat week, commission staff sent out a reminder via email to agencies and are going to call the agencies which had questionable delivery / read receipts. Agencies have been notified that attaching quotes to the proposal is optional and the agency does not have to serve victim-survivors of human trafficking in order to qualify for the funds. It does not appear at this point that there will be enough applications to use the funding.



The committee discussed whether extending the deadline or moving into second round discussion was best. Three committee members voiced opinions to issue a second round. Committee Member Carman suggests making sure in any follow up or second round that use of the funding is emphasized to help agencies consider their options. Committee Chair Wind suggests a question and answer session before the second round of applications are due. Committee Member Carman stated that NCCWYI Regional Directors may invite HTC staff to speak at regional meetings. Committee Member Kyzer reminds the group that the second round is mentioned in section 16.22 and the commission has the authority to determine the proposal amount for the next round. Christine Long reported that the commission has learned they can use 10% of the funds within this section on administrative costs. If committee members have ideas about the 10%, they can email Ms. Long or the Committee Chair their ideas for discussion at the next meeting.

- 4. NCCWYI Update → Committee Member Danielle Carman spoke about the eligibility for funding through their program and stated they are on track to make most determinations by 7/11/22. She also reported that they are working with NCDOT to develop a grants management system. The product is affordable but takes a while to develop. NCCWYI has also developed a monitoring plan and has submitted that to OSBM for approval. Committee Member Carman will share that with the commission. Their programmatic report is on the website if the commission would like to compare to it.
- 5. ARPA / SRFR Update (federal funds) → Christine Long reports that AOC viewed a demo of the grants management system NCDOT offers. AOC is getting a quote for the development of a system for these grants. In addition, Director Long stated that most of the positions to administer the funds are ready to be posted on the state employment website. HTC staff will still have to submit budget breakdown to AOC finance and then to OSBM / NCPRO. Once the position split percentages are determined, the budget breakdown will be finished also. AOC is working on the terms and conditions for future grants, with a focus on sections 16.20 and 16.23. Elizabeth Croom from AOC reports that the school of government has done some really good resources and an addendum that we can attach to the terms and conditions, which is helping a lot.
- 6. Other Business Update → No other business was noted.
- 7. Public Comment \rightarrow No questions or comments.
- 8. Adjournment → Committee Chair Wind closes the meeting at 1:50pm.