



**Home, Opportunity, Planning, and Equity (HOPE)  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Approved Minutes  
September 13, 2023 from 4 pm to 5 pm  
Virtual Meeting**



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**Members Present:** Charles Maughan\* (Mayor); Briae Lewis\* (Corvallis City Councilor); Catherine Biscoe\* (Co-Chair); Nancy Wyse\* (Benton County Commissioner);  
**Excused:** Cindee Lolik\* (Business Community Member); Pegge McGuire\* (CSC)  
**Absent:** None  
**Staff Present:** Julie Arena (Benton County Health, HOPE Program Coordinator); Rebecca Taylor (Benton County Health, HOPE Project Manager)  
**Community Members:** none  
\*Executive Committee Members.

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- I. Welcome and Introductions. Meeting overview.
- II. Public Comment: none.
- III. August 2023 Executive Committee Meeting minutes approval. Charles moves to approve, Briae seconds. Nancy abstains. Approved.
- IV. New member applications discussion. Sarah Devine and Bruce Butler.
  - a. Charles moves to approve Bruce to board, Nancy seconds. Motion approved. Bruce invited to join the board.
  - b. Catherine moves to approve, Briae seconds. Motion approved. Sarah invited to join the board.
- V. City's Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) board update: Charles – first meeting is set for October 11<sup>th</sup>. More to come after they get going.
  - a. Ward 2 meeting – Briae hosting. October 18<sup>th</sup> – hybrid in person and virtual.
- VI. League of Women voters for community engagement event in 2024 – overlap and alignment with HOPE and staff where relevant. Catherine to follow up when ready.
- VII. Items from last meeting:
  - a. Introductions of board members – at September meeting. 45 mins.

- b. Clarifying roles and responsibilities – in progress at the county. Rebecca Taylor has an update. Working to identify and flesh out roles and responsibilities for HOPE and for staff level coordination with HB 4123 Coordinated Homeless Response Office.
- c. Reviewing Bylaws – this item will come after county process for roles.

**VIII.** Agenda setting for September 2023 HOPE Board meeting: hybrid at Kalapuya building and virtual.

- a. Normal business, mins approval, roll call.
- b. 45 mins for board member intros: Four new members. 1-2 minutes each – block off 45 minutes? Name, pronouns, perspective brought to the board/what strength or superpower do you bring to this work, what brings you joy in your personal time.
- c. Second co-chair position still open – reach out to Catherine Biscoe with questions.
- d. Fall scheduling – November meeting one week early due to holiday.
- e. 30 mins for Lincoln County update – 15 for presentation and 15 for discussion and questions
- f. Community progress updates:
  - i. HB 4123 Questions we are working on to better define our Coordinated Homeless Response system – roles and functions of HOPE, staff level coordination, approval processes, governing documents.
  - ii. HB 5019 funding update

**IX.** Agenda topics for next Executive meeting

- a. Mel Keller from Fair Housing Council (FHC) to join to talk fair housing opportunities.

**X.** Julie on leave Oct. and Nov.