

# Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board **NOTES**

April 8, 2021 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

ZOOM

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### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Eva Alvarez Bill Groenink Trever Meachum Dorian Slaybod Craig Anderson Joann Hoganson Jose Roman-Mota Beth VanDrie

Adam Dietrich

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jesse Costilla Francisco Posada Ann Marie Rocha Mark Miezio

## **GUESTS**:

Gerardo Aranda Majed Ghussaini Holly Madill Heather Throne Sheila McCulloch Alexis Handal Hector Arroyo Ben Tirrell Dale Freeman Jim Johnson Gary McDowell Olivia Turrubiates Lindsey Gardner Fred Leitz Joseph Rivet Jamie Zmitko-Somers

## **NOTE TAKER:**

Sheila McCulloch

#### Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Hoganson called the Migrant Labor Housing (MLH) Advisory Board meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on April 8, 2021 with introductions of Michigan State University Extension Facilitators, Lindsey Gardner and Holly Madill.

Lindsey explained the meeting structure for the facilitated session. Board members were divided into smaller groups (virtual break out rooms) to identify MLH policies, procedures and/or issues they would like to focus on as MLH Board members with the following leading statement, "What program, policy, or legal changes do we want to see around migrant labor housing in Michigan over the next 5 years?" Meeting guests and subject matter experts remained in the virtual lobby room and were available for specific Board member questions, as needed. At 2:45 p.m., Board members and MSUE Facilitators will returned to main meeting room, pulling guests and subject matter experts back from the lobby room to recap the identified topics the Board will develop specific formal recommendations to MDARD Director McDowell to enhance Michigan's migrant workforce.

The identified statements with a focus on housing are:

- 1. Migrant Housing Design and Structural Regulations
- 2. Providing Funding and Resources for Migrant Housing
- 3. Improving Quality of Housing (focused on occupant wellbeing)

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- 4. Improving Housing Education Inspection
- 5. Adequate Access for Appropriate Community Resources
- 6. Housing Development for Farmworker Families
- 7. Uniform Housing Zoning Regulations

Chairperson Hoganson adjourned the Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board meeting at 3:07 p.m.

The next Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.