

Early Learning Council

AGENDA & MINUTES



November 12th, 2015

Attendees: Kyra Donovan, Suey Linzmeier, Jenn Richter, Tonya Hill, Leah Griffith, Jim Seymour, Peg Miller, Amy Egli, Marti Hofenbredl, Seamus McCarthy, Rachel Grant, Lindsey Manfrin, Lauren Berg,

Remote: Shannon Vandehey, Michael Finlay, Danielle Ludwick, Mindy Larson

Regrets: Jordan Robinson, John Gaudet, Kym Le Blanc-Esparza, Dorothy Spence

Guests: Ian Bergman

Scribe: Miriam Corona

Time	Agenda Item	Detail	Motions/Approvals/ Action Item	Responsible Party
<p>Meeting Purpose: to update the Early Learning Council on recent Hub activities and to get their feedback on upcoming projects</p> <p>Meeting Goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To review what schools are doing with Ready! for Kindergarten this fall 2. To inform the community about VROOM and develop ideas around implementation 3. To solicit feedback on the OFWBA survey for possible implementation in Maternal Medical Homes 4. To provide the ELC with an overview of the ongoing development of the mixed delivery preschool model in Oregon 5. To share with the ELC the baselines and targets that been set around select metrics in our strategic plan 6. To share a new process for submitting agenda items for consideration 				
4:00	Introductions	<p>Please answer one of the following: <i>What has gone well in your agency or school this month? What have you witnessed happening our community on behalf of our children and families? What is happening in the next month that will benefit our children and families?</i></p> <p>Leah Griffith- last month the Newberg Public Library got a book collection into F.I.S.H. Emergency Services and made an extra push for the Better My Community program. Will have a Family Fun Night next week with Head Start, families will learn about early literacy and get a free book.</p> <p>Jim Seymour- Fostering Hope Initiative will have a video released about their successful work. The Family Resiliency Conference (ACEs) was a highlight, being able to give a couple presentations was very special and hopeful.</p> <p>Peg Miller- have a doctor back from maternity leave and have a new doctor.</p>		Kyra Donovan

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		<p>The Family Resiliency Conference (ACEs) was really inspiring, medical community was underrepresented but making strives to spread the message.</p> <p>Amy Egli- this month had SMART readers start, readers from Delphian school came, Ready for Kindergarten, jog-a-thon was successful, the public library sponsored a puppet show to promote the library. Coming up- Thanksgiving and Christmas lunches to get parents and community in the school, music concert, book fair.</p> <p>Marti Hofenbredl- received a delivery today of 400 pounds of pork from Pork For People. By bringing in families, they learned about under school-aged kids that are homeless. A church that serves the homeless has donated their clothing and supplies for the schools. Seniors are taking the storage over as their project and filling in needs. High school leadership class has decided to have a free Thanksgiving meal for the community. Will have Ready for Kindergarten flyers out there.</p> <p>Seamus McCarthy- Yamhill CCO is steeped in CCO metrics to bring more resources in the community. We've done well with screenings, especially adolescent well-check screenings.</p> <p>Rachel Grant- Yamhill EL Hub has been accepted as a pilot site in October for VROOM. Excited to officially launch in January 2016.</p> <p>Lauren Berg- Yamhill Carlton SIT was successful and had great attendance. Started towards the Ready for Kindergarten classes. Had over 90% attendance for conferences last week. Started SMART program last month, serving kindergarteners once a week. Food drive brought in over 700 pounds of food. Dental visits have been done and plan on getting a dental van in December.</p> <p>Lindsey Manfrin- another Transitional Treatment Housing has been purchased by the county. There are currently three houses, will be getting a new house. One of the home-visiting nurses is now working in one of the prenatal practices. The Family Resiliency Conference (ACEs) was fantastic, has</p>		
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		<p>been receiving really good feedback internally in HHS and externally. Prenatal provider offices are in process of getting HIPPA regulations at the birthing centers so moms can get services and check ins before being discharged.</p> <p>Ian Bergmann- Transitional Housing has been a great partnership with the county. Nutrition class has been successful to teach clients basic skills around healthy eating. It is nice to see that there are so many services out in the community to serve the community. Attended one SIT and it was great to see churches and schools getting involved to serve the community as well. Busy time to serve our foster children with presents and other needs.</p> <p>Kyra Donovan- did first Ready for Kindergarten in October, it was successful. On November 21st, Ready for Kindergarten folks are coming to provide a facilitator training. It's a Saturday, will get information for folks who are interested in participating. A visitor from West Medford came to learn about our Early Learning Hub. Has heard a lot of good things about the Family Resiliency Conference (ACEs). Have coordinated with both homeless liaisons in the school district to make sure that they attend the McMinnville SITs. We are now up to 120 homeless youth. During the holidays the homeless liaisons will work with different agencies to put together food baskets and gifts for children. Working with the Rotary Club to take kids to shop at Walmart; kids buy gifts for their families.</p> <p>Suey Linzmeier- this month Yamhill County Head Start received a notification that they have a QRIS rating. All four of their centers are 5 star-rated, now we have six 5 star-rated programs in Yamhill County. Shout out to the CCO for the Fall Forum. Just loved it. The past month was full of embracing the community and looking at prevention and intervention. Representatives of the CCO committees were there but there were also CCO members. Suey brought a parent with 4 children; one of the children has health challenges and (Suey) was able to connect the child with the CCO Community Health Worker at Sue Buel Elementary School. Goodwill Job Connections is partnering with Head Start to provide English language classes at the Newberg Head Start center. Classes are open to all members of the community.</p>		
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		<p>Shannon Vandehey- Congratulations to Head Start on the QRIS rating. Family Child Care Network is going great. Since October, they have 18 star-rated programs in Yamhill County. There are now over 1,000 plus children in quality child care programs. Working on a “How to find quality child care” video for parents. Excited to get that out to the community.</p> <p>Mindy Larson- has the first intern at Yamhill CCO that will set up apartment libraries and has been meeting with the librarians on Fridays. It has been great to have Criselda (intern).</p> <p>Michael Finlay- SMART programs are up in running. Now have more volunteers than in previous years. The sites that have previously needed volunteers are now all full. Still looking for a site coordinator in Dayton.</p> <p>Danielle Ludwick- Ready for Kindergarten classes are scheduled for 4-5 year olds, the first one is on December 3rd, have some parents registered already. SMART program is going, looking for volunteers.</p> <p>Jenn Richter- Miriam has been coordinating the PAC and parents are very engaged and it’s going well. We are starting to grow and we’re starting to align what they talk about with what the ELC talks about here. Planning to do outreach at the rural school districts to recruit more parents. On another note, the McMinnville Cooperative Ministries are hosting a monthly gathering named “Piecing Community Together” to raise awareness about homelessness and erase the stigma. The events have food, crafts, movies, and a positive environment for the homeless community.</p> <p>Tonya Hill- Dayton had so many books in the school and gave at least 3-5 books to every child but still have so many books. Counselor and homeless liaison went to the Family Resiliency Conference (ACEs and came back with so many great ideas. The kinder kick-start was huge to get started with school, thanks to this group for getting grants to get funding for these programs. Grandparents day is a big day in Dayton, have an extra 200 adults in the school on that day.</p>		
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		Criselda Lopez- working with Mindy Larson and Jennifer Richter to start the lending libraries at apartments in McMinnville.		
4:10	Review Packet Contents	Review agenda and minutes from 10/8/15 -Dorothy Spence cancelled. Will be leaving her position at Speaker Kotek's office.		Kyra Donovan
4:15	Ready! for Kindergarten	Lauren-would like to know if others would be willing to share materials to promote and implement the Ready for Kindergarten classes. Flyers, registration forms, etc. Will have the Ready for Kindergarten classes at the Elementary School in Carlton, but will provide transportation for Yamhill families.	Kyra can send Jennifer Richter McMinnville SD's materials to share with everyone. Head Start can help distribute materials and flyers to 0-5 families, and will put it on their Facebook page.	Kyra Donovan/all school reps
4:25	VROOM	Rachel has reached out to ELC about how to get involved. VROOM was created with input from product makers to neuroscientists. The primary message to parents is to turn shared moments into brain-building moments. The App is free and parents can work with the schedule that they already have; don't need to buy anything. Our high level expectation as a pilot site is that we create a community-wide investment in children ages 0-5 based on science. The ultimate VROOM goal is that there will be a national cultural shift that focuses on early childhood. EL Hub has materials available for community partners and for parents. Our strategies: an art contest, community meetings, tabling, forum discussion. Will be tabling in front of Wal Mart on January 9 th .	Shannon Vandehey- in January will have a Mind in the Making training. Can promote VROOM there. Peg Miller would like materials to put in their books at PMC. Rachel will send out a Survey Monkey where ELC members can choose what materials and how many they would like to receive.	Rachel Grant

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<p>4:35</p>	<p>Prenatal Screening Tool</p>	<p>Oregon Family Well-Being Assessment</p> <p>Maternal Medical Homes- if standards are met within prenatal practices, they get recognized as being a maternal medical home. In return, they get an increased case rate as an incentive and offset with some of the costs that we are asking them to provide. Will have case management, behaviorists, and a comprehensive well-being assessment for every pregnant woman that comes in to their office. We want to track data and make sure that we are asking everything that we need to ask.</p> <p>The Well-Being Assessment is comprehensive; we have an assessment and a guide for the provider who is administering the assessment. The intention behind the guide is that there is an action for things that need to be acted upon and to make sure that the next steps actually happen. The guide identifies a need and what needs to be done next. The ask for the ELC is to look at the screen and give the thumbs up if this is something we should do, or consider something else, as an alternative.</p> <p>The Oregon Family Well-Being Assessment will be changed to be very specific to our community. Great things: it includes SBIRT and ACEs, plus the new baby questionnaire is included (from Healthy Families program). The goal is to get a comprehensive picture of the women’s pregnancy early on.</p> <p>Public Health is working with four homeless mothers: in the case of one mother, her provider didn’t know that she was homeless. This assessment could have helped that provider learn about her homelessness.</p> <p>Peg Miller-families think that providers do share that information with other providers. If they are asked a question more than once related to a trauma that the patient experienced, patients can become upset. Want to make sure we meet the guidelines for HIPPA to be able to share that information. This assessment is a start to be able to serve families, not children and mothers individually. If families don’t have their forms done by the time they have their appointment, they can’t do the assessments.</p>		<p>Lindsey Manfrin</p>
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		<p>Suey Linzmeier- pregnant moms who are already receiving home visits, is there a way to already start sharing that information? Head Start already has to collect some of the information included in the assessment.</p> <p>Lindsey Manfrin- a home visitor will be meeting with mothers in the prenatal offices and will have access to the assessment and be able to funnel them. The home visitor can be charged with providing more information than the assessment provides, or what Family CORE referrals provide. Looking for a thumbs up from the ELC to move forward with the assessment.</p> <p>ELC- yes.</p> <p>Peg Miller- is the hope that this is administered to everybody or just CCO members?</p> <p>Lindsey- Maternal Medical Homes, only the CCO has authority over it. It's easier to implement this assessment across the board. Will encourage practices to do this for every pregnant woman. Public Health nurse will see every mom at least once.</p> <p>Peg Miller- families who have resources are sometimes the ones who fall through the cracks to identify needs such as domestic violence, ACEs screenings, etc.</p> <p>Suey Linzmeier- the whole community needs this, regardless of income levels.</p> <p>Lindsey Manfrin- there are women who aren't being flagged in our radars. This will be brought to every woman at the birthing center regardless of income, or kind of insurance that they have. We will be able to ask questions about how the first few weeks after delivery are going.</p> <p>Tonya Hill- can we put a HIPPA form on the assessment?</p> <p>Kyra Donovan- how would this interface with teen parenting programs?</p>		
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		<p>Programs at the schools?</p> <p>Peg Miller- the assessment identifies young moms who need parenting services. It's important to know if the teen is pregnant as a result of an abusive relationship. Soon there will be birthing classes available especially designed for teens to create a more comfortable environment for them. May need to provide some incentives to go to the class.</p>		
4:50	Mixed Delivery Preschool	<p>Legislation passed to encourage more public preschools in Oregon. This funding is for the biennium, but it's not promised that it will be continued in the next biennium. The Early Learning Division is calling it Preschool Promise, where we promise to provide preschool to all children below 200% of the poverty level. It will be serving children who cannot qualify economically for Head Start but cannot afford quality child care. Suey provided a document presented to Oregon Head Start Directors that contains details about PP and requirements for services. We decided not to be the first to try this out because the funding is not assured, and requirements for a quality program are steep. We will wait to see the results of others who are doing it, and if it's successful or not. Mixed delivery preschools are not limited to public schools; they could partner with other agencies/organizations too.</p> <p>Kyra- kids have had a hard time in the afternoon during full-day kindergarten classes. The schools have given them some choice time/down time in the afternoon.</p> <p>Peg Miller- some kids have early release schedules because they do not have the maturity level to be in full-day kindergarten.</p>	<p>Lindsey Manfrin- would like to hear at another ELC meeting how full-day kindergarten is going in other schools.</p> <p>Kyra Donovan- At the next meeting, each school should bring back some updates.</p>	Suey Linzmeier
5:05	Baselines & Targets	<p>New metrics, we now have 26 metrics instead of 9. Will bring an abbreviated work plan in December. Several baselines and targets go into our contract:</p> <p>1-4A: Program participation data demonstrates increase in services to children and families identified priority populations. Our priority population is pregnant women to age 3.</p>	Suey Linzmeier- recommends that the strategic plan is shared with everyone in the ELC, and members review (at least) their focus areas before the next meeting	Jenn Richter

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		<p>2-2A: Increase the number of children from Early Head Start, head Start, OPK, Relief Nurseries, Healthy Families Oregon, and/or other waiting lists served by a Hub partner program.</p> <p>2-3A: Increase in number of 3, 4 and 5-star QRIS providers serving children from “hot spots” and communities of color and an increase in the number of children served in hot spots and communities. Focusing on priority schools: Dayton, Sheridan, and Yamhill.</p> <p>2-4A: Increase in percent of children who receive a developmental screen before the age of three.</p> <p>2-5A: Increase in percentage of children enrolled in kindergarten before start of school year.</p> <p>3-2A: Increase the number of children and families served by DHS who are receiving early learning, parent education or family support services.</p> <p>3-3A: Increase in percentage of children on OHP who make it to 6 or more well-child visits by 15 months of age.</p> <p>Suey Linzmeier- very proud of Jenn Richter for her work with the strategic plan.</p> <p>Lindsey Manfrin- it really seemed like a strategic plan that clearly showed where we are going.</p>	<p>for background knowledge.</p>	
<p>5:20</p>	<p>Agenda Item submission process</p>	<p>New process: to submit an agenda item for the next ELC meetings, fill out the Survey Monkey form found in the Yamhill CCO website (http://www.yamhillcco.org/about-us/early-learning-hub/council-membership) at least two weeks prior to the ELC meeting.</p> <p>Submission form: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HSS89Q8</p>		<p>Jenn Richter</p>

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		Any attachments that you would like to include in your agenda item should be sent to Miriam mcorona@yamhillcco.org .		
5:25	Items for the good of the order	Please pick up Early Literacy DVDS on your way out. The Educator of the Year Award was presented to Kyra Donovan at the Fall Forum. Recognized by the Board of Directors at Yamhill CCO.		
5:30	Adjourn			

Future Agenda Items:

- Enhanced Strategic Plan and 2016 Work Plan review -- Jenn
- Budget presentation -- Seamus
- Presentation of Library Lending Project -- Criselda
- OPEC RFP -- Jordan
- Opportunities and Barriers around school-aged vaccinations – Lindsey