

**Yamhill Early Learning Council
Meeting Minutes
10-8-15**

Attendees

Members: Kyra Donovan, Lauren Berg, Lindsey Manfrin, Jordan Robinson, Shannon Vandehey, Mindy Larson, Dr. Peg Miller, Amber Katausky, Jenn Columbus, Amy Egli.

Guests: Criselda Lopez-Vera

Remote: Danielle Ludwick

Regrets: Tonya Hill, Jim Seymour, John Gaudet

Staff: Miriam Corona, Rachel Grant, Seamus McCarthy

Agenda Item	Detail	Action Item	Responsible Party
Welcome and Introductions	Amber Katausky, new member of the ELC, Head Start parent and Newby Elementary parent.		
Review Packet Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda • Approve Minutes from 9/10/15 		
Announcements/Acknowledgements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lauren Berg- working very hard to bring Ready for Kindergarten to elementary school in Yamhill-Carlton School District. • Lindsey Manfrin- flu season is up. Schools interested in having flu clinics please contact Public Health to get some support. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jordan Robinson- glad to see the ELC be passionate about system designs. Five parenting classes are starting up. Comprehensive Prevention & Wellness Committee under the CCO, an opportunity to get the ELC involved and advocate for early childhood prevention work. • SMART- excited about serving about 600 kids in the county. Will be starting in schools as early as next week. Looking for a coordinator in Dayton. • CCRR- creating a video about how to find quality child care. Deep into kindergarten readiness curriculum. • Mindy Larson- hired an intern from Linfield, Criselda Lopez-Vera. • Criselda Lopez-Vera- early childhood education major at Linfield. Will be doing research about getting libraries in apartments. Will be working to establish the library with Villa West Apartments and the next intern will actually create the library. • Seamus- Family Resiliency Conference, Oct. 22nd, is still open for registration. Go to the website to sign up. • Miriam- Asked ELC to recommend parents for the Parent Advisory Council. Please recommend parents that may be a good fit or may be interested in participating. • Rachel- Will be working on an early childhood calendar for parents. • Kyra- Preschools in Mac SD have started successfully. Buel has one slot left. Newby has one slot left. Washer is full. Parents are really looking for affordable preschools. Parents should call the schools and get on the lists for registration. Ready for Kindergarten is October 22nd. At Washer and Sue Buel. Parents who want to enroll kids in preschool must have attended all three Ready for Kindergarten workshops. Thank you to Mindy Larson for volunteering! 		
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<p>Target population discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus and priority school districts. Bring services and programs to that particular population. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Homeless, have data to use as a baseline ○ Substance Abuse ○ Foster Care- children who are in homes that are changing consistently ○ DHS Subsidy ○ Special Needs ○ Parenting Education, young parents ○ Language barriers ○ Rural ○ Prenatal-3 or Prenatal-5 years old (Jordan R). Could use the Maternal Medical Homes program to identify the at-risk mothers. Provoking Hope, 100% of the women have at least one child (Seamus M.) ACE's screening with children of those targeted moms (Dr. Miller) and being able to share that information with the child's PCP (Lindsey M.). This information is relevant to many stakeholders DHS, child care providers, etc (Shannon V.). The focus on this group could help coordinate amongst the various agencies involved with the family and the child (Kyra D.). Are we targeting hot spots or not? There is some confusion around this (Shannon V.). From a population health standpoint it has the opportunity to extend to more of the population (Lindsey M.). We could choose over what time frame this work would be done. • Other focus areas TBD 		
<p>Tracking challenges</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-1 Consistent school attendance by demographic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ • 2-2.A Children on waiting lists served by partner program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Business analyst at Yamhill CCO could help standardize tracking systems for ELC members. 		

	<p>State is rolling out a home visitors system that includes different programs and agencies, Lindsey's comment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-5A Early kindergarten registration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dates of kindergarten registration, how are they promoted, add registration dates for each school in the calendar that Rachel Grant is creating. How early is too early? A challenge is that families may move from schools or districts (Dr. Miller). Make the metric county-wide instead school district-wide (Kyra D.). Heather at (.....) is doing early kindergarten registration and events (Shannon V.) Shannon will email Jenn the contact information. A universal county date for kindergarten would be great (Lauren B.), Danielle L. from Amity seconded the idea. There can be too early registration for kindergarten, but there isn't too early for promotion of early registration (Lindsey M.). Amber T. agrees with Lindsey because when her daughter needed to be registered she found out a week before. Early promotion of early registration could help educate parents on what forms need to be ready for registration (Lauren B.). Bring the county-wide registration date proposal back in the November ELC meeting (Kyra D.). Add the requirements to the calendar that Rachel is making (Shannon V.). It is hard for the limited number of teachers to plan registration (Amy E.). Perhaps ELC can support some of those smaller districts (Kyra D.). Registration days could be a good way to get the volunteer readers involved, they are usually done by mid-May (Jenn C.). • 3-2A Children/families served by DHS connected to early learning, parent education, or family support services 		<p>Shannon will email Jenn Richter the contact information.</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DHS may be a barrier because they may not disclose who the families are (Lindsey and Jordan). If we can have the right conversation with DHS, we can get them to allow us to help them by getting families connected to supports and agencies (Dr. Miller). Perhaps it would be best if John Gaudet from DHS is part of ELC instead of ECRT (Lindsey). 		
Charter review	ELC recommends to make this charter the final draft.		
Items for the good of the order			
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