

Early Learning Council AGENDA & MINUTES



March 9, 2017

Attendees: Danielle Ludwick, Seamus McCarthy, Adam DeLatte, Ryan Sticka, Tonya Hill, Mindy Larson, Arturo Vargas, Sherry Litner, Cynthia Barthuly, Odi Campos, Emily Johnson, Emily Broadwell, Jenn Richter, Suey Linzmeier, Kristina Sheppard, Amy Egli, Lauren Berg, Stephanie Legard, Jordan Robinson, Josh Grieves, Leah Griffith.

Absent:

Guests:

Scribe: Miriam Vargas Corona

Time	Agenda Item	Detail	Motions/Approvals/ Action Item	Responsible Party
<p>Meeting Goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To receive information about several upcoming events for providers & families 2. To learn about the newest Early Learning position 3. To get an update on the Medicaid waiver and learn how to advocate for the program and for our families 4. To learn about the upcoming Family Engagement Picnics 5. To learn how YCCO's Early Learning program is engaging with this legislative session 6. To evaluate progress on the Early Learning workplan 7. To receive an update on Early Learning financials & discuss some necessary redistribution of funds 8. To review 2016 Kindergarten Assessment school, by county and district 9. To learn about the work of United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley 				
4:00	<p>Introductions & announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tobacco Cessation Program (Jenn) ■ Child Abuse Prevention (Jenn)- Yamhill County has \$1500 available for awareness activities. Activities will be parent and provider workshops, prevention walks and proclamations by local government officials, Collaborative Change Drive to raise funds for A Family Place. Jars will be given to community partners to help distribute them throughout the community. ■ Week of the Young Child (Shannon)- April 24-28. Letter to the Editor, Parent Newsletter. Deadline for submissions for the newsletter is March 30th. Suey will do an article on home visiting. 		<p>Kristina Sheppard</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FRC Promotion (Emily B)- April 18th. Registration required. Partners who want to share agency information during the resource fair need to submit an application to Emily Broadwell. ebroadwell@yamhillcco.org. We need help getting the faith community and law enforcement to participate. ■ COSA Early Learning Conference (Jenn)- April 19th at WESD in McMinnville. \$89 registration cost at the COSA website. Early learning and kindergarten guidelines, essential literacy instruction, Growing Early Mindsets. ■ Children’s Jamboree (Jenn)- March 11th at Central High School. Free screenings, free books and clothing, interactive parent-child sessions, resource fair. ■ Children’s Jamboree – Yamhill Version (Miriam)- November 2017. First steering committee meeting is on Friday March 17th at 11am. Partners interested in being part of the planning committee are encouraged to attend the meeting. 		
<p>4:15</p>	<p>CCO Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Family Resource Coordinator position now posted on the Yamhill CCO website. ■ Waiver Information- Oregon’s waiver was accepted for another 5 years. The State Legislature is also going to discuss how to use state funds towards Medicaid. ■ How to advocate- www.95percentoregon.com Communities are encouraged to help collect personal stories about how OHP has positively impacted their health. They can go to the website and upload their stories and/or their pictures. ■ How to help families reapply- There are local OHP Assisters that are available to help OHP members reapply for coverage, or find alternative health care coverage on the market. PH Tech is looking for locations to be available to help community members with their applications. 	<p>EL Hub to send the ELC the Executive Brief for March.</p>	<p>Seamus McCarthy</p>

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4:25	Family Picnics			Miriam Corona
4:30	Legislative Update	<p>March 15th tentative hearing for the Joint Ways and Means Education Subcommittee for only Early Childhood & Youth Development.</p> <p>April 28th- Screening at the Capitol <i>Are We Crazy About Our Kids?</i> Addresses the economics of investing in early childhood and the outcomes during a person's lifetime.</p>		Jenn Richter
4:35	EL Workplan Update	<p>Successes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Resiliency Community Conversation • Resource Manager for West Valley FRC started on 2/28/17 • Safe Families -12 host families trained and have served 14 children • Bilingual, bicultural, literacy-based curriculum for Latino children • Service Integration Teams- example given of community support for mental health awareness activities at Newberg High School. • OPIP pilot complete- an application has been submitted to the Zero to Three Conference in San Diego to share about our work in Yamhill, Marion, and Polk Counties. • School Readiness workgroup – conference, RFP • Latina childcare cohort- 8 providers have been engaging with CCR&R to be on the path towards licensing. <p>Challenges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross-promotion of events/opportunities • Literacy has been pushed back until after the FRC • Wellness campaigns- look at the beginning of the school year when everyone is excited. Kindergarten registration, jog-a-thons, rodeos, and other school activities. Child care providers would like to do more dental awareness work. Some of the toothpaste companies also have educational programs. Amy Egli receives materials from Crest every 		Jenn Richter

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		<p>year. February is the national oral health awareness. Medical Teams International in partnership with OHSU dental school comes to YC Elementary School with a dental van.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ready for K in rural districts- low participation rates. (?) • Make Parenting a Pleasure in all schools – it will have been provided at 3 elementary schools by the end of this year. 		
4:45	EL Financials Update	<p>Report provided in a handout. Balances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination grant- \$568 • School Readiness grant- \$10,640. Newberg Public Library had success plugging in literacy projects at already occurring events. If ELC members have requests about how to use these funds, please send a proposal to Jenn Richter by March 23rd. Discussion about supporting the Imagination Library’s book distribution, however their program doesn’t target at-risk children. • Family Support Services grant- \$109 • MIECHV grant- \$13,601 • KPI grant- \$3,328 		Jenn Richter
4:55	Kindergarten Assessment Review			Jenn Richter
5:05	Presentation on UWMWV	<p>United Way uses the Collective Impact model. Community Impact Investments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 211 Info • FamilyWize prescription assistance program • Good360- registered nonprofit organizations can attend the distribution dates for household items, home repair items, clothes, diapers. • Transportation vouchers <p>Support Early Literacy and Kindergarten Readiness</p>		Arturo Vargas Sherry Lintner

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kindergarten Readiness Calendars for Yamhill County. • Early Learning Kits for families 0-4 years old in Marion, Polk, & Yamhill Counties. Adec is going to have their employees assemble some of the kits. <p>Financial support to Yamhill County projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addiction and mental health screenings • Counseling • Dental screenings and referrals; dental supplies • Healthy eating and lifestyle management • Increased access to healthy foods • Employment support • (LOOK FOR MORE IN PPT PRESENTATION) <p>President's Leadership Circle Generous and committed corporations that give an annual gift specifically to underwrite United Way's cost of fundraising -making it possible for them to have the greatest impact in the community.</p>		
5:25	Items for the Good of the Order			Kristina Sheppard
5:30	Adjourn			

K12 Workgroup

- GEM survey link and discussion in April- Only 9 participants. We have created a survey for teachers and administrators that have implemented GEM to provide feedback. We can discuss next steps for GEM at the ELC retreat. Read Aloud books can be found on YouTube. CBRS evaluations need to be submitted.
- KA Case Study- PSU has offered to evaluate our Ready for K data. We need more data from schools to compare the cohorts of kids more directly. We will need demographic data per child. Emily will send schools a spreadsheet that has the demographics that are needed. Schools can get the demographic information from the secure ODE website. Head Start can give student data for children who participated in their programs.
- Transition Camps- we likely won't have enough funding to cover transition camps for all the schools. Within the next week we will have more information.
- Head Start incoming kinder students will be visiting elementary schools. Information will be provided soon.

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- Enhanced Head Start transition activities funds were not all used last year. If schools can provide names of children and parents who participated in the transition activities last year, they can be reimbursed. Schools that are planning to have transition activities this year need to let Jenn know. Head Start can provide number of children from last year and this year. It's \$35 per child.

April Agenda Items:

- Court Care presentation – Brent DeMoe
- Bridging for Health Update – Seamus McCarthy
- Family Resource Center update – Jordan Robinson
- K-12: GEM discussion – success, challenges, supports needed