

Early Learning Council AGENDA & MINUTES



February 9, 2017

Attendees: Tonya Hill, Amy Egli, Suey Linzmeier, Michael Finlay, Ian Bergmann, Mindy Larson, Cynthia Barthuly, Stephanie Legard, Arturo Vargas, Danielle Ludwick, Jenn Richter, Emily Johnson, Emily Broadwell, Lauren Berg.

Remote: Shannon Vandehey

Absent: Dr. Miller, Jordan Robinson, Lindsey Manfrin, Kristina Sheppard, Ann Stevenson

Guests: Ryan Winship, Josh Geiger

Scribe: Miriam Corona

Time	Agenda Item	Detail	Motions/Approvals/ Action Item	Responsible Party
<p>Meeting Goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To share upcoming opportunities for Early Childhood providers 2. To ensure compliance with annual QI requirements 3. To receive an update on Early Learning activities 4. To discuss the future of Trauma Informed Care in our community 				
4:00	<p>Introductions & announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELC membership changes- Resignation of Jim Seymour, Catholic Community Services. • Oregon Pediatric Society conference – Saturday, April 8th Integration of kindergarten readiness across health and education. • Family Resiliency Conference – April 18th. Registration is required. FREE conference. Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration will provide training about creating Trauma Informed Care implementation action plans and will provide tools to use. • COSA P3 conference follow-up workshop – April 19th at Willamette ESD. Cost is \$89. Lunch is provided. Register on COSA website. Training on 		<p>Suey Linzmeier</p>

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		<p>new Early Learning and kindergarten readiness guidelines, Early Literacy, and GEM We will be paying for substitutes for some childcare providers in order to allow them to attend.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELC retreat – June. To review and assess the work that we’ve been doing and decide where we are headed as a team. Heidi McGowan will facilitate the retreat. We are envisioning scheduling for the last week of June. In the morning, we will focus on P3 alignment. All partners are welcome, but this is primarily designed for ECE and K12 partners. In the afternoon, the full Council will engage in a high level review of ELH programs, evaluate available data, and determine priority populations and areas of work for the 2017-19 biennium. 	<p>ELC members to let Jenn know what days of that last week in June do not work for the retreat.</p>	
4:10	<p>Fraud, Waste & Abuse Code of Conduct Conflict of Interest</p>	<p>ELC members are required to read and sign the documents.</p>		<p>Jenn Richter</p>
4:15	<p>ELC Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early learning & kindergarten readiness guidelines have been released. School partners will receive the guidelines soon. ODE and ELD have provided this framework in order to synchronize work in preschool, child care, and kindergarten. Shows what’s normal for age 3-6. • Early Learning Division Site visit expectations- April 8th. • Contract changes- Demographics (equity) data analysis delay, now the deadline is 9/30/17. Comprehensive Children’s Budget is not required this year. Incentive Metrics RFP is not required, as a result we will be awarded \$19,055 which is based on the Hub funding formula. • Legislative Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In the meeting packet is the Governor’s Budget, Co-Chairs Existing Budget Framework, the Children’s Institute Legislative Letter, EL Hub Leader Letter to Co-Chairs. 	<p>Kinder guidelines are available online. A link will be sent out to the ELC.</p> <p>ELC members need to fill out the survey related to the ELD site visit that was sent out by February 10th.</p>	<p>Jenn Richter</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There's a public hearing tomorrow 2/10/17 at the State Capitol from 5pm-7pm for the Joint Ways and Means Committee. Hearing Room F. The public can provide 2-minute testimony at the hearing. ELC members are also encouraged to write letters that convey the value of the Early Learning Hub to their own programs. 		
4:25	Watch ROA: DNA is Not Destiny	Viewing of the segment and group activity.		N/A
5:00	Trauma Informed Care – A Look at the Future	Members used the Promising Futures Promoting Resiliency tool (in meeting packet) to brain storm strengths and areas/ suggestions for growth we, as a community, recognize as strategies to build resiliency in individuals, families, and communities across our county. Areas of focus for communities: access to services, school, mentors, and neighborhood cohesion. Feedback will support Jenn as she develops the work plan and our ELC as we focus in on next steps at the June retreat.		Suey Linzmeier
5:25	Items for the Good of the Order	Shannon shared her agency must now reapply for the CCR & R grant every two years. They are in the grant writing process and will request a letter of support from the ELC.		Suey Linzmeier
5:30	Adjourn			

K12 Workgroup

- PSU Case Study Opportunity
- Countywide Kindergarten Registration
 - Date
 - Promotion (including backpacks)
- Ready for Kindergarten
 - Survey responses from 2015-16
 - Thoughts on continued implementation in 2017-19

K12 Partner discussion

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- PSU would like to do a case study on our Ready for Kinder program. They would like to collect more demographic data from schools. Question- How would the schools receive the data? Does this need to be kids that have extensively gone through the Ready workshops? If schools have a way to identify what kids have attended repeatedly it would be helpful. Schools would like to go back and look at the reporting to see what is easy for them to collect and return. Beth Green at PSU is happy to speak directly with school partners about this. Jenn will check with Kristina as she was already prepared to complete this process for Head Start kids who attended NSD kindergarten last year.
- Kindergarten registration- April 20th would work well for most school districts.
- Briefly discussed enhanced transition activities for Head Start kids entering kindergarten and different types of activities (home visits, IEP-type transition meetings for families/ kids who will need extra support, field trips, teacher release/ sub time for observations at HS, Sheridan's model of a family and child introduction to the elementary school). Those who did not bill for last year's activities should do so asap. \$35 per transitioning HS child will be available to schools who engage in enhanced transitions.
- School Readiness remaining funds available, \$10,000. Workgroup has decided to create backpacks: whiteboard, book, and other things that kids can use over the summer. We will start with priority schools (Dayton, Yamhill-Carlton, Sheridan) and then spread out to other schools. We probably won't have enough for all school districts. Dayton got a grant to provide backpacks to students, they would like the KPI backpacks asap.
- Transition Camps- schools need to invoice the Yamhill EL Hub for individual transition activities that they had last year. We can send the LOA again to schools. Schools need to send how many kids were engaged and a high level overview of the activities by Wednesday, February 15th. Schools need to let us know if they would like to do transition activities again this year.
- Transition Camps- we don't know until the last week of June if we will get KPI funds next biennium, but if we do the ELD anticipates being able to release enough of them in time for us to be able to conduct transition camps in August.
- Ready! For Kinder Camps- need to talk about whether or not to implement it again 2017-2019. Compilation of parent surveys were shared. Parent response is predominately positive. Schools share that engaging parents is challenging. Idea- should we bus families from different communities and offer workshops in one central location? McMinnville used to bus families from Wascher Elementary School to Sue Buel Elementary School and that worked well. Some schools have not spent all of their Ready for Kinder funds. According to our records, there is approximately \$157.8 K left unspent in the field. Jenn Richter will reach out to schools about funds that are still left to spend down by June 30, 2017.

March Agenda Items:

- Presentation on United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley
- Discussion on implementation of Ready for Kinder

April Agenda Items:

- Court Care presentation – Brent DeMoe

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