Early Learning Council  
AGENDA & MINUTES  
January 10, 2019

Attendees: Lauren Berg, Adam DeLatte, Jenn Richter, Jenna Sanders, Amy Egli, Jeremy Scott, Becky Pearson, Betsy Paniagua, Angie Blackwell, Suey Linzmeier, Jeremy Scott, Audrey McLain, Kristina Sheppard, Veronica Garcia Martinez, Josh Graves, Daniel Amity, Tonya Hill, Stephanie Legard, Lindsey Manfrin, Peg Miller, Odi Campos, Eli Cox, Robin Simmons

Absent:  

Guests: Jeff White, Amanda Motley, Kathy Ann Meier

Scribe: Griselda Esquivel & Shari Exo

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| 4:05 PM  | Announcements     | • Trauma Informed Care Train the Trainer: 4/18 & 4/19, McMinnville Covenant Church, application required. Participation limited to 60. Second afternoon dedicated to agency-specific strategic planning. Agencies encouraged to apply with strategic partners. Group returns in October. 1-2 reps from each agency.  
• Monitoring site visit survey extended to Jan. 17th (13 surveys received from ELC). Please return them to Jenn Richter.  
• PCIT/TCIT Parent Child Interaction Therapy / Teacher Child Interaction Training -Wednesday, Feb. 27, 6pm-8pm – dinner served at YCCO Both programs focus on Pre-K, ages 3-7.  
• Ad hoc workgroup – Child Abuse Prevention Month (April): Stephanie Legard & Suey Linzmeier want to participate  
• Cultivating Compassion Training Reg. Info: Jan. 22 – March 12 on Tuesdays 6pm-8pm at Linfield College (TJ Day Hall, Rm 219) Cost $216 (scholarships available, contact Sara for more info sara@saraowenswoodard.com Available to anybody. |                               | Jenn Richter                   | Deadline 1/17        |

Volunteers notify Jenn Richter
4:10 PM Early Learning Update

- School Readiness Funds: proposal is to enhance outreach to get providers licensed, to do CPR/1st aid overview. Need to do intense contact/reaching out to community. Issue might be child safety locks, large fire extinguisher, etc., so we can help w/food handler set up which is a license requirement. Angie Blackwell will work with Jenna Sanders.
  - Jenna Sanders Budget is $6,000.00
  Recommendation that there be clear info for people to licensed. Want to see back up if they don’t get at least 10. Time frame by a certain date? If we don’t use the money we lose it. Need to put something in writing. Back-up plan, funding goes to another area maybe Yamhill. It takes 5 months to fund. May 31st if the due date. Create flyers, target school ages for summer care. Open it to outside communities too. Probably would know by middle of April how many providers we’d have.

Voting: all in favor
  - Baby Promise: Waiting for Early Learning Division to get back with us

4:25 PM Supports for classrooms with child on IFSP

Amanda at WESD can provide training for any IFSP.

4:35 PM West Valley Expansion/Safe Families

A Family Place – West Valley Expansion Update:
  - In 2018 we had 1 dedicated west valley home visitor for mental health
  - Children served through home visiting: 25
  - Families served with diapers/clothing: 45
  - Families served through parenting classes: 11

Looking forward to:
  - Continued home visiting and parent engagement activities in Sheridan, Willamina, and Grand Ronde
  - Respite classroom open spring/summer 2019
  - First Relief Nursery classroom open in Willamina Fall 2019
  - Second Relief Nursery classroom open in Willamina Spring 2020

ELC approved the $6,000 school readiness fund

Jenna Sanders

Amanda Motley

Audrey McLain/ Kathy Meier
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- Plan is to increase to 1 more. She visits 12-15 families on a monthly basis.
- Respite focus is on how you talk about Aces. Also try to nurture children. They offer a class in Willamina.
- Serve respite age: babies as young as 6 weeks old up to 5 yrs.
- Safe families for children: spreading word w/more churches. One church is interested but not ready to proceed. They do have a few host families. Example: a home gathering like a volunteer in a personal setting and discuss how to become involved in the community. Have accomplished 436 nights of respite care to children. Most children ages are 3 yrs. and younger. Also 5-11 yrs. of age. Have huge success stories to help prevent children from going to foster care.

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| 4:45   | Healthy Lifestyles | Obesity prevention exercise. Promoting starting 2018 CCOs required to do an assessment and offer nutritional counselling. Developing based line data to set targets for next year. CCO wants to know what is being doing, where are the gaps, etc. Groups gave input on posters for:  
  1. What are the factors that impact wellness in our community (+/-)?  
  2. What motivates you personally to participate in activities that promote wellness  
  3. What is your agency doing to promote health and wellness?  
  4. What gaps/needs do you see in the community re promotion of healthy lifestyle? | Jenn Richter    |
| 5:15 PM| Public Comment      |                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Jenna Sanders  |
| 5:25 PM| Items for the Good of the Order | Feb 14 update on Preschool Promise  
March meeting will include our Early Learning Division site visit.                                                                                               | Jenna Sanders  |
| 5:30 PM| Adjourn             |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                |
P-3 Partner Meeting

- Kinder transition – All About Me. Contacts were recorded and Jenna S. will send to childcare providers.
- Enhanced kinder registration discussion. Examples of how to use the $500/school – resource bags, food for reg meeting, books, info on apps for parents
- Chronic Absenteeism -Data provided for 2015-16 through 2017-18. Affected by kids who move (10 days absence) Stats show those who are not chronically absent but there are some families that make this look much worse than it is for the majority of students.
- Students who move (or leave for 10 days) don’t get dropped until they’re enrolled elsewhere or gone 10 days.
- Willamina Elementary- attendance person signed to make all contacts with families when students are absent; monthly attendance incentives offered such as snacks. (or a field trip to OMSI) in Sheridan. Head Start does attendance follow-up as well.
- Yamhill-Carlton, Lauren Berg does the work herself because her district doesn’t have a dedicated person.
- In districts where many families go to Mexico in December it’s important to educate them and ask for open communication so that everyone is better-prepared if they are going to be gone. That way parents know how it could affect their education or how to prepare in advance for an absence.
- Tonya Hill and Lauren Berg have both visited Amy’s school to see the Relaxation Station and they were really pleased with the atmosphere and dedication of the staff.

Future Agenda Items:

- February – Preschool Promise
- March – ELD site visit
- TBD-Obesity workgroup report out
- August – Parent Ed Champion in schools