PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes

April 27, 2017 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

In Attendance

☒ Shawn Lybarger, Chair	☐ Erin Helgren	☐ Pat Sublette
☐ Amber Barrows, Vice Chair	☒ Cati Adkins	☐ Heather Freilinger
☐ Trina Gwaltney	☒ Karin Hardin	☐ Mark Andrews
☐ Nanette Hagen	☐ Cindy Shirtcliff	

Staff Present: Gillian Wesenberg, Christin Depner, Cynthia Hurkes, Vanessa Pingleton and Sondra Williams

Others Present: Paul Coffelt, Emily Berndt, Kerry Wel, Brittney Barnhart, and Gwen Soderberg-Chase

Action Items

March Meeting Minutes Unavailable

HUB Update

Gillian Wesenberg announced Regional Retreat on May 15th.

Kerry Wel Child Care Line

Brittney Barnhart resource manager

Gwen Soderberg-Chase cradle to career. UCC – EC Ed and teacher license

Paul Coffelt DHS self-sufficiency

Karin Hardin HF

Sondra Williams E1/ECSE

211.org Presentation

Emily Berndt showed a PowerPoint on the project and all of they have to offer. They are reachable through call, text, email, or searching the website. The top five needs of callers that contact 211info are for Housing and Rent Assistance, Energy Assistance, Snap and Food Pantries, Shelter, and Health Clinics and Dental Care. For the 2015 calendar year, they received 110,158 calls, 311,882 visits to the website, and 10,127 texts and emails. They have

access to over 42,000 resources to help solve these problems, and have a group of specialty programs. These specialty programs include Family Line, Child Care Referrals, Foster Parent Support, SNAP/ Food Access Specialist, Pesticide Hotline, Maternal and Child Health, Reproductive and Sexual Health, Screenwise, Homeless Services Specialists, and Emergency Services. The Family Line is available to anyone caring for children under the age of 8 and helps to find solutions for child development and behavioral strategies, school readiness and success, family stress and anxiety, parent support groups, as well as basic family resources. This program currently serves Clackamas, Multnomah, Washington, Polk, Lane, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Josephine, and Jackson County. The Child Care Referral program serves the entire state, and is in partnership with the Oregon Department of Education Early Learning Division, the Oregon Department of Human Services, as well as the Local Child Care Resource and Referrals. They are able to search for childcare based on location, childcare type, hours, ages served, languages spoken, and more. The Foster Parent Support Line is a 24/7 support line in partnership with Oregon DHS Child Welfare, and is focused on after hour times when certifiers and caseworkers are not available. They are able to directly connect with on-call DHS workers and triage crisis calls, as well as providing general information for parenting, behavioral and development, and community resources. The Maternal, Child, and Reproductive Health is for pregnant women, children ages 0-19, and men of all ages in the entire state of Oregon. They give information, referrals, and support for children's health programs, pregnancy testing, prenatal care, immunizations, fertility services, and STD screening and treatment. Along with these programs, they offer seasonal programs such as, Back to School Fair/Backpack events, Holiday Assistance, Severe Weather Shelter, and Registration for Kindergarten, Flu Hotline, Summer Meal Sites, and Farmers Market SNAP sites. The hotline is anonymous and confidential. They have 103 agencies and 62 sites in Douglas County alone. The average call time is from 4-8 minutes, and for every 36 calls 3 -10 referrals are given out.

Hub Partner Updates

Karin Hardin Celebrate Children, largest growing ever. Had 26 booths this year with over three levels of parking structure filled up. Will be hosting again during the last week in April of 2018.

Paul Coffelt Need to hurry and hire SNAP workers because of the statewide hiring freeze. Waiting for paperwork. Can process paperwork in CAPPY system from other parts of the state. Trying to increase TANF capacity. The TANF coaches have twelve or thirteen people with a total of thirty-eight coaches. UCC will do the job search piece. Five counties, including Douglas, are in the second-generation grant. One focus is to improve attendance in Riddle. Family Coaches hold onto families for six months and families can then connect back with the family coach when needed. There is currently a sixty and seventy family caseload per coach, would like it to be closer to forty. Face to face contact every 30 days is the goal. There are three new family coaches.

Gwen Soderberg-Chase new effort in Douglas County HCSO increasing voter expanding opportunities in community perinatal taskforce. Taskforce has not been functioning in a while collaborating with others. Opiate epidemic CCO how to address it. 1. Equity – move forward with work 2. Equity coalition 3. Training. May 6th STEAM extravaganza at UCC 10 – 4.

Grace Email announcement

Mat Licensure Gwen for teachers all opportunities in Douglas County. On May 20th Head Start org family event at Rose Elementary from 1-4. Head Start registering children for next year first selection date is next week.

Sondra Williams 100 more significantly affected class in Head Start in Green.

May Agenda Planning

Family Coach – Paul Coffelt

Preschool Promise Site Visit -

Head Start –

Native Connections Project – Sandy Henry

Next Meeting Date

Thursday, May 25, 2017 – 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the Douglas Room