

**South-Central Oregon Early Learning Hub
Douglas County
Community Governance Council**

Tuesday, August 29, 2017
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

Council Members:

- Barbara Johnson, *Chair*
- Steve Schenewerk, *Vice Chair*
- Charlene Stutes
- Dave Gianotti
- Debra Thatcher
- Desta Walsh
- Jan Zarate
- Marta Queant
- Maureen Short
- Michael Lasher
- Bryan Trenkle
- Sherri Vogt
- Tammie Hunt

Committee Chair Members:

- Shawn Lybarger, *Professional Advisory Committee*
- Megan Buckley, *Parent Advisory Committee*
- Trinity Coulombe, *Parent Advisory Committee*

Staff Present: Gillian Wesenberg, Heather Aho, Brian Burke, and Vanessa Pingleton

Others Present: Chris Bowman, Dr. Robert Dannenhoffer, Bill Shobe, and Matt Newey

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| Welcome/Introductions | Chair Johnson convened the meeting at 4:35 pm. Introductions were made. | |
| Action Items | <p>Steve Schenewerk made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Tammie Hunt seconded the motion.</p> <p>April Minutes were Approved</p> | |
| PRESENTATION: Compass Behavioral Health | <p>Matt Newey: Community Health Alliance is now part of ADAPT. This change has helped integrate mental health and substance abuse by bringing together these two organizations and helping more people get the needed treatment. Matt's area focuses specifically on mental health. Some of his focuses are pre-commitment investigations, working with judicial courts and persistent/severely mental ill. They have many treatment options such as, wrap around service with small caseloads. Early assessment is another service.</p> <p>Bill Shobe specifically works in the Youth and Family Department of Compass. They continue to focus on the state's priorities. Since 2005, the state wants mental health to be focused on the community with numerous services. The community also has their own priorities. Compass has the wrap around program, skills trainers and collaboration with the Douglas ESD. Their collaboration with the Douglas ESD is for psychiatric day treatment program. They currently have two locations. These programs are for kids who can't stay in school due to mental health issues. Right now there are 16-20 kids. Another collaboration Compass has with Douglas ESD is having therapists in the schools. They are</p> | |

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| | <p>scheduled for specific days in the schools and they have one and a half therapists hired to start the program.</p> <p>Compass Behavioral Health has two therapists in the main office that focus on 0-6 year olds. They do CPP – child-parent-psychotherapy. They also have medical providers that can do evaluations for medication needs. For 0-6 year olds to get help, one can call (541) 440-3532. A person will take the information and schedule an appointment with the therapist. Compass will set up for an assessment and create a treatment plan. Reevaluation occurs at the end of the treatment plan. Most of the funding is from Oregon Health Authority (OHR). The therapists are working on their licensure so they are not able to take private insurances. Dr. Dannenhoffer brought up the point that OHP patients only make up about half of the kids that need help and asked how can we help kids with private insurance. Bill states that schools may need to help pay for the kids with private insurance.</p> <p>Mental health, ages 0-6, focuses on identifying autism, ADHD, ADD and PTSD, although kids have to be a certain age for these screenings. The autism spectrum test can be used on 2-3 year olds. Behavioral mental health is more of a medical diagnosis.</p> <p>Compass is also working with Douglas ESD to help get the providers out into the community. Steve says that OHP helps pay for travel for these families but some transportation will not take car seats. There are also issues with having both parents meeting at school at the same time (for reasons like restraining orders), so they want to collaborate with families and therapists to meet in more neutral zones.</p> <p>There is a therapist working full time at Roseburg High School.</p> | |

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| | <p>Matt has been working with Desta at DHS to get more therapists. Desta says that it is important to have emergency services with foster homes. Working with child welfare for placement and treatment can take some time for the kids.</p> | |
| <p>Director's Report</p> | <p>Gillian: went to a meeting in Ontario for the State Early Learning Hub Collaborate, which is a meeting with all hubs to narrow down focuses regionally and talk about working with partners to look at focus issues and geographic area. Miriam Calderon is the new Early Learning Division Director. She has done a lot of work with BUILD, a research organization. She met with Gillian and Michael to listen to questions and concerns from Michael and Gillian as she wants to build a stronger relationship with the hubs. The ELH will be working to update their biennial work plan in October. They will be looking at what they have now and the current and future areas of focus. The format is based on what the state gave them. Heidi McGowan will be working with them. The Work Plan Summary draft (handout) shows the 3 areas of focus: Aligned, Coordinated and Family Centered; Kindergarten Readiness and Healthy, Stable and Attached Families.</p> <p>The South Central Regional Governance Council had a retreat for Douglas, Lake and Klamath in May to discuss how to help bridge gaps. Everyone came together to exchange information, listen to other countys goals, what they were doing, and who their community partners were. It brought everyone together to have a common conversation and talk about every county's work. They will have another retreat in October and want to make it a regular occurrence. Some of the input of the regional partners was to work on 3-4 regional goals, including creating a universal intake form. Currently families are filling out similar forms for every service, and a universal form will just</p> | |

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| | <p>make it easier and save time. Steve has continued to hear that many kids are not ready for kindergarten and it takes the whole first year to get these kids ready. Steve shared that picking these four specific priorities helps to measure and report to the legislature for funding, which can be a challenge for expansion. Steve is confident about moving forward with these main goals.</p> <p>One of the priorities of the Hub is Preschool Promise. It is state funded 900 hours of preschool for children that are in the 0-200% of poverty. (currently 81 spots in Douglas County, 19 spots in Klamath)The preschools have to be licensed, reviewed by the state and apply for the Childcare Quality Rating Improvement System (SPARK).There are currently Preschool Promise sites in: Elkton, Klamath YMCA, North Douglas, South Umpqua, Sutherlin, Winston-Dillard, and Yoncalla. They started receiving the grants for these locations last summer and had to get everyone on board quickly, every site did a wonderful effort to start a preschool promise site. Gillian and Michael are working on a memorandum of understanding, (MOU), with Head Start to make sure parents know what choices they have. The state is encouraging ELH to increase Preschool Promise spots by 20%. The state also requires parent engagement. Preschool Promise is helping to make sure kids have access to dental and medical services.</p> <p>Play2Learn is a Klamath County School District project that has books and activities to model to parents how to play with their children to help them learn. Dr. Johnson will be teaching a training class in September.</p> <p>Gillian is working with Anna Menon, an epidemiologist with her master's in public health, to narrow down geographic areas of concerns and</p> | |

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| | <p>where the focus should be. She is going to look at free/reduced lunch, kindergarten assessment and 3rd grade reading score data. She will report her data finding at the next meeting.</p> | |
| <p>Update from Regional Home Visiting Systems</p> | <p>Vanessa: The project has received a grant from The Ford Family Foundation for home visiting. They have four committees. The Leadership group meets every other month for two hours. Lake and Klamath Counties call in for the meetings. Attendance has been 72%. Each county has their own workgroup that meets every month. The name, which was chosen by the Leadership group, is Community Uplift (United Partnership Linking Families To resources). The new coordinated referral process works as such: referrals come into the Family Resource Facilitator; the Facilitator contacts the family within 2 business days. The Facilitator starts a relationship with the family and fills out the 4 page questionnaire, the Facilitator will directly contact a person at a service organization to set up an appointment (this happens within 2 weeks), remind the family to get to the appointment and follow-up (within 30 days). The facilitator will use a decision tree to show what services the family may be eligible for and why. A soft roll out will start on September 5th. There are two agencies in each county helping with the start up. In Douglas County, it will be Yoncalla Early Works and Dr. Mary Powell's office. All counties are working on this referral system. They are also focusing now on marketing, and getting the word out. Eventually they want to move to a web based form and a phone application. One plan for marketing is to give out baby bags at hospitals, which will have needed items and information on services.</p> <p>Presenting in January, Family Resource, The Ford Family Foundation projects will</p> | |

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| | <p>be speaking at the 2018 National Home Visiting Summit.</p> <p>The project is working with Portland State to get back information and data. Their Quality Improvement Officer is working with Brian Burke (Douglas Facilitator)</p> | |
| General Discussion | <p>Barbara: will be looking for the governance's input on the work plans. Douglas County will focus on 1-2 of the regional goals & have a facilitator at the next meeting to help with the goals. Gillian and Michael Have listed our timeline of goals to help us stay on task and will finalize next meeting.</p> <p>Announcements: Tammie Hunt: Cow Creek has an opening for a Youth Development Specialist</p> | |
| Next Meeting | <p>The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Douglas Governance Council will be October 17th @ 4:30 PM.</p> | |
| Wrap-up | <p>Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:00 PM.</p> | |
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