Professional advisory committee

Meeting Notes

September 28, 2017 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

# In Attendance

[x]  Shawn Lybarger, Chair

[ ]  Amber Barrows, Vice Chair

[x]  Trina Gwaltney

[ ]  Nanette Hagen

[ ]  Erin Helgren

[ ]  Cati Adkins

[ ]  Karin Hardin

[ ]  Cindy Shirtcliff

[ ]  Pat Sublette

[x]  Heather Freilinger

[ ]  Mark Andrews

**Staff Present**: Gillian Wesenberg, Heather Aho, Julie Hurley,

**Others Present:** Kyrstin Gannon, Diane Dunas, Lea Bates (By Phone), Sondra Williams, Marsha Lavern, Kerry Dwight, Chris Bowman, Anna Menon (By Phone)

# Action Items

Approve July meeting notes.

Lea Bates made a motion to approve minutes, Kyrstin Gannon made a second – Minutes Approved.

# HUB Update

**Anna Menon** presented a new way to identify geographic areas in communities instead of using the Federal “Hot Spots,” because “Hotspots” aren’t a useful determining factor for rural areas. The three main data sets used are the percent that met the third grade reading standard, below average Approaches to Learning scores on the Kindergarten Assessment, and the percent of children above the Hub average receiving free or reduced lunches. Third grade reading scores are strongly linked to high school graduation. In the 15-16 school year, the state average for students who met or exceeded the reading standard was 48%. The Approaches to Learning indicator has been shown to be a strong predictor in later academic success. According to the National Center for Education Statistics, “Children who frequently exhibit a positive approach to learning are more than twice as likely as other children to score in the top 25 percent in reading and mathematics. Secondary Datasets are used, but hold less weight than the primary datasets. The secondary datasets are Early Literacy, Early Mathematics, and the Percent of Minority students.

**Gillian Wesenberg** Lake County has started the year in a preschool/childcare crisis and they are seeing more preschools in the area closing. The county is working to find a solution to overcome the distance problem so the entire area has access to services. The Oregon Child Develop Coalition (OCDC) provides Head Start for migrant children, and they are working to try to help bridge the gap. Vanessa Pingleton with the Home Visiting system is doing a soft roll out with their intake and referral system. They will do universal intake forms. Danielle will receive the referrals and respond within 48 hours, and they will facilitate connections. Home Visiting is still looking for someone to facilitate the intake and referral system in Lake County. Lakeview has started Kinder Camps, a successful day camp to help preschoolers get used to the classroom environment. Play to Learn is another program that helps children become comfortable in a classroom environment while giving children preparation for Kindergarten. Each county does different activities including having the parents play with their children, and giving out bags with interactive toys and puzzles. The program in Klamath County is centered on the 5 Boston Basics which are Nurturing, Reading, Singing, Math, and Movement. Preschool Promise will be using Anna Menon’s data to justify and help when finding the areas that need assistance. The Douglas County Governance Meeting on October 17th will be working to condense the Work Plan.

**Shawn Lybarger** Head start has a new blended classroom in Green, with qualified and typical Roseburg School District children in the same class.

**Community Events** On October 28, Head start is having a Conscious Discipline Training for parents at Rose School.

On November 3 and 4, Early Learning Conference at UCC attendees can get a college credit with this class.

Pacific University is teaching Masters level courses for a teaching degree at the Douglas ESD.

Take Root is getting vouchers for online modules for parenting classes

# Sept Agenda Planning

October

Hub Roles and Measurement for Success Document

Vanessa Pingleton, Home Visiting, Referral System Presentation.

# Next Meeting Date

Thursday, October 26, 2017 – 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM