

Early Learning Hub of Clackamas County Governance Council

September 8, 2020 | 8:30-10:30

Zoom meeting- <https://clackamascounty.zoom.us/j/96500522056?pwd=eIVKZFIYT2tHc3FkSmd2a1IENGVtdz09>



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Time	Topic	Action
8:35-8:50	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Members: Mary Rumbaugh, Siobhan O'Malley, Chelsea Hamilton, Rod Cook, Merry Perishetti, Adam Freer, Denise Glascock, Darcee Kilsdonk, Seth Lyon, Amy Corbett, Kristen Wiidanen, Maria Eugenia-Perdomo</p>	
<p>8:50-9:20</p> <p>ELH update (Chelsea & Adam)</p> <p>Preschool Promise (Chelsea)</p> <p>Bright by Text</p> <p>Legislative & SSA Updates</p>	<p>Group reviewed new by-laws the officer position recruitment will look different going forward. It's recommended that Denise and Sophie fall into chair and chair-elect position for upcoming year so that there's more time to be intentional about 2021-2022 officer elections. Questions? Discussion needs to be postponed until next month due to attendance (not enough people present to vote).</p> <p>Chelsea shared ELH site with Pre-K Promise links to program details and applications. "About Pre-k Promise," Interest forms, and info on participating schools. Still waiting for schools to receive contracts. The goal is that the services truly are coordinated which will mean quite a bit of collaboration with schools/partners. Denise asked about the January start date, Adam and Chelsea confirmed that they're really trying to move as quickly as possible. Schools will be starting this fall.</p> <p>Bright by Text training: decided that we wanted to try the free service & see how families like it. The program seems qualified, efficient and prepared. It should be easy for parents and providers. We've also created a BBT page to explain BBT and how to sign up on ELH site. Once flyers are filled, they can be shared via social media. We can also supplement BBT with our own community information. We are asking providers to upload community events and relevant provider information for targeted parents. Adam asked the frequency of texts: 1-2 per week but it fluctuates based on general family needs. Working on a survey to make clear that this is a pilot but to give us feedback to see that it's working.</p> <p>Funding: There is a proposed cut to one of the funding streams we use to fund our FRCs. The concern is that there won't be the programmatic funding or funding of the hub system itself. The hub system may not be recognized as valuable with the current legislators. Amy asked what this means for FRC contracts? Which is still unclear at this point. Both Chelsea and Adam recognize how important FRC's</p>	

<p>EL Systems Coordinator</p>	<p>are for the community and various programs. FRCs are currently being advised to continue work as usual.</p> <p>Position remains open until September 9. Asking for participation in the interview process. Tentative interview date is September 29 8:30A-2:00P. Please follow up with Chelsea if interested.</p>	
<p>9:20-10</p> <p>KPI Updates & Programs</p>	<p>Maria shared that RSG persisted despite COVID challenges. But! Under new name: Reinventing Ready, Set, Go! Same mission and vision, new services. First thing was to connect with families and develop those relationships (calling every family): asked what services they don't normally had that would help. Siobhan shared that, after meeting basic needs, the new virtual services were circle times (songs & story times) as well as offering the videos on YouTube.</p> <p>Vitzah and Siobhan partnered with FRC's to send a weekly email with resources specific to needs that were heard from families. RSG wanted to create time for celebrating kindergarten transition. 34 children entered into kindergarten this week, so MFS offered a virtual graduation ceremony for families. MFS connected with families, and the ESD, to ease this transition so families could feel confident and supported by RSG staff throughout the summer and into this next year. The team asked; "what does support look like this year?" And so, constructed home learning kits (pre-k learning packets, and open-ended materials- 105 different kits!) Intentional about being inclusive. Received book donations from Ledding Library.</p> <p>Planning for Fall 2020 looks like monthly 1:1 check-ins & activities & material distribution; regular parenting groups & workshops; on-going connect with FRC and support from partners and surrounding schools. Working with HV on "Ready to Read" grant, OHA for direct outreach & information Re: COVID. There is an on-going the conversation in how to ENGAGE families virtually. Maria mentioned that MFS is asking families what types of schedules work for them & after that, the RSG flyer will be made available for recruitment purposes.</p>	
<p>10:00-10:10</p> <p>Regional Learning Box Distribution, Update & Progress Report (Erica)</p>	<p>Family Care Box project: tri-county initiative that was born out of recognizing that the pandemic has caused families to go into crisis mode. Community responded with food boxes and meals, but it seemed like families needed "more" in terms of activities. About 1500 boxes were distributed in Clack Co. Boxes had playdough, crayons, flyers, swag. Tote bags were created with the boxes, library books & additional resources. This program will hopefully continue. LoveInc, Baby Link, MFS, Todos Juntos, NWFS, Bridging Cultures, Clinics serving foster families & DHS all received boxes.</p> <p>Note Taker lost power and signed out of call at 9:35A Quorum Established 9:40AM</p>	
<p>10:10-10:30</p>	<p>Voted on new governance positions/structure for 2020-2021 Motion by Amy C, Second Donalda - Motion Passed</p>	

	Community Updates and Resource Sharing (All)	
10:30	Future Agenda items	
Next Meeting	October 13 8:30AM	

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