



SOELS Governance Council  
 January 15, 2019  
 AllCare Health  
 1701 NE 7th St, Grants Pass  
 2:00-4:00 p.m.

**Members Present (X):**

*	Hannah Ancel Jackson Care Connect	x	Mary Hough S.O. Pediatrics	*	Lisa O'Connor FNC
*	Scott Beveridge SOESD	x	Martha Ibarra Hispanic Comm Rep	x	Pam Thompson- Arbogast EI/ECSE
x	Amy Buehler Jackson Co. Mental Health		Jennifer Johnstun Primary Health of Jo Co		Andrea Wakeland Parent Voice
x	Susan Fischer-Maki AllCare CCO	x	Geoffrey Lowry Oregon Child Dev. Coalition	x	Mary Wolf CCRN
x	Michelle Gallas Imagine That	*	Karla McCafferty Options of So Oregon		Melissa Wolff DHS Self Sufficiency
	Michelle Gury Parent Voice	x	Eileen Micke-Johnson RCC	x	Susan Zottola GP SD #7
x	Kerri Hecox, MD Oasis Center of the R.V.	*	Nancy Nordyke S.O. Head Start		

\*Participating by phone

**Staff:**

x	René Brandon Director	x	Chelsea Reinhart Early Learning Facilitator	x	Karen Johnson Administrative Assistant
x	Teresa Slater Early Learning Facilitator		Molly McLaughlin Early Learning Facilitator		

**CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME AND GREETINGS**

Geoff Lowry called meeting to order at 2:10.

**ACTION AT NOVEMBER MEETING TO MODIFY BYLAWS**

S. Fischer requested ORS review of conflict of interest rules. E. Micke Johnson explained that Heidi McGowan met with the Executive Committee to discuss process and provide resources. The Governance Council will

continue discussion at a special meeting on February 28, 2019. (Later rescheduled to March 19, 2019). S. Fischer requested that COSA doc

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 20, 2018 MEETING**

S. Fischer suggested a lack of detail in the *Bylaws – Conflict of Interest Recusal* section of the minutes. Discussion with no proposal. Minutes from November 20, 2018 approved unanimously. M/M. Wolf S/M. Hough

### **ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

### **FACILITATED RETREAT IN FEBRUARY**

The Hub will host a special meeting on February 28, 2019 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. to review the role of the Governance Council and Public Meeting Law with facilitator Heidi McGowan. (Please note: due to inclement weather, the meeting was rescheduled to March 19, 2019.) The following handouts were provided in preparation for this meeting.

- Public Meeting Law Guidance Memo to Hubs
- Public Officials and Meeting Law Memo

### **PRESCHOOL PROMISE EXPANSION-PROVIDER SELECTION**

The following members abstained:

- S. Beveridge
- M. Gallas
- M. Wolf

The Preschool Promise rural expansion workgroup met on January 7, 2019, where M. Wolf shared information CCRN gathered on local providers. After thoughtful consideration, the workgroup (consisting of E. Micke-Johnson and M. Wolf – and soon Wendy Nelson from FNC) determined that Rhonda Schock with Great Beginnings in Rogue River is a strong candidate. Rhonda is currently serving children who could qualify for Preschool Promise. The next step is to identify five or six families who are income eligible. P. Thompson-Arbogast motioned to accept the workgroup’s recommendation for Rhonda Schock to complete the application for rural expansion for Preschool Promise; A. Buehler seconded. All approved.

### **KINDER LAUNCH 2019**

- Regional Kinder Launch is the week of March 4, 2019.
- Flyers and booklets are available in English and Spanish.
- This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year since the Launch moved from May to March.
- Three Rivers, Eagle Point, Phoenix School Districts are not participating.
- Rogue River, Prospect, Medford, CPSD and GPSD are participating.
- No word yet on Butte Falls and Ashland School Districts.
- Medford School District will likely participate, but not confirmed.
- The school districts not participating are still offered Kinder Launch materials.

### **KINDERGARTEN PARTNERSHIP & INNOVATION (KPI) UPDATE**

Teresa Slater shared an update on Kindergarten Partnership & Innovation (KPI). Topics covered:

- Three KPI Goals
  - Improve children’s readiness to succeed in kindergarten...
  - Strengthen connections and collaboration between providers and local K-12 systems and schools.
  - Launch or expand innovative models for early learning/K12 integration...
- KPI Goals in Action
  - Kaleidoscope Play and Learn Groups
  - Ready! for Kindergarten Parent Training
  - Prior to Kindergarten Jumpstart Programs
    - Started in June of 2017.
  - Professional Learning Teams
    - Early learning and kindergarten teachers work together to align practices using EL/K guidelines
    - First PLT was in November; 50 people attended.
- Where we were...
  - 2015-2017 Biennium
    - \$765,627
    - 2 Preschools
    - 9 Community Based Organizations
    - 8 Schools
    - 2 School Districts
  - We Served
    - 170 Early Learning Professionals
    - 344 Parents and Caregivers
    - 464 Children
- Where we are...
  - 2017-2019 Biennium
    - \$816,785
    - 8 Childcare & Preschools
    - 11 Community Based Organizations
    - 19 Schools
    - 7 School Districts
  - We Served
    - 230 Early Learning Professionals
    - 674 Parents & Caregivers
    - 1,360 Children
- Progress made...
  - \$51,158 Additional Funding
  - 60 Additional Professionals received Professional Development
  - 330 Additional Parents and Caregivers
  - 896 Additional Children

Teresa shared that she is meeting with Douglas County Hub to help them replicate the positive results we have seen in Southern Oregon.

## **STRATEGIES FOR BETTER PRENATAL TO KINDERGARTEN ENGAGEMENT**

- About 40% of children in our region have access to early learning prior to kindergarten.
- About 75% of pregnant women begin prenatal care in the first trimester.
- Over 50% of children on OHP have a well-child visit by 15 months of age.
- (These percentages were pulled from OHA website, averaging stats from the three CCO's in our region.)
- What can we do to engage families prenatally and at well-child visits into community services and keep them engaged?
  - Prenatal is the optimal time to share support
    - If not accessed, approach during well-child checks
    - Work with WIC staff to provide support
  - Approach parents where they feel comfortable
    - Social supports feel engaging to parents - need for social circle
      - Kaleidoscope Play and Learn Groups
      - Pregnancy and young parent support groups
  - How do you notice dysregulation early?
    - What screens are used?
    - What is the quantitative way to capture it?
    - Scales available:
      - ASQ-3/ASQ-SE
      - PAX: strengths/difficulties questionnaire (ACE/Resiliency)
  - Considering kindergarten readiness metric
    - What could be the standardized tool?
    - Consider parent ACE scores as a factor?
  - Parenting support in behavioral health model
    - Helping child feel safe
    - Helping parent/child feel in control
    - New parents want support
      - Mom/dad circle support (S.O. Pediatrics offers Mom's group 2x a week)
      - Take the stigma out of parenting education
        - Market to all parents
        - Change in "parenting culture"
        - Connect OB/GYN to Parenting Hub
          - OCF/Parenting Hub
            - Polywog model including online training models
            - Point to clinical settings to use a resource/platform for which to refer
      - Skills coach is helpful but there are hurdles and more are needed
      - Support is needed in the home
        - Prescribe three home visits
      - Universal Home Visiting proposed by Governor Brown
        - It will destigmatize program when prescribed to all

- Childcare providers
  - Not able to get parents to follow through on referrals to EI/ECSE or Options
  - Obstacles include:
    - Hearing/Sight
    - Self-regulation
    - Being overwhelmed
    - Denial brought on by personal history
    - Negative experience with the system
- Utilize Healthy Families Program
  - Nurses encourage parents to use HV support
  - Nurses could be trained in guiding parents
  - NFP referral partnership
  - Underfunded programs not able to meet demand
- Trust must be established with parent(s) in order to provide services
  - Need to communicate clearly to gain parents' trust and appreciate the benefits available
  - Determine service delivery to create outcome
- CCO's 2.0
  - Encounterable services may receive money and could create regular billable cycles

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- COSA tabled recommendation to fund additional Preschool Promise slots
- S. Fischer requested COSA documents be sent to the Governance Council

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:04 pm

**NEXT MEETING**

May 21, 2019  
 AllCare Health  
 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Submitted by K. Johnson