

## Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties P-3 Alignment & Early Childhood Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes

<b>MEETING COMMENCED</b>	9:30 am, May 15, 2024 Online via Zoom
<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	Kristi Collins
<b>WORKGROUP MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	Deanna Barclay, Donna Brown, Kelsey Culbertson, Susan Halliday, Stephany Koehne, Andrea Lengel, Kathleen McDonnell, Paul Smith, Diane Wilkinson, Lynnette Wynkoop, Stephany Koehne
<b>STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	Kristi Collins, Matt Grams, Antonia Huerta, Jinguang Lin, Ana Reyes, Sam Rounsavell, Carmen Santacruz
<b>RECORDED</b>	Yes

### Agenda topics

<b>DISCUSSION ITEM</b>	Welcome and Introductions
Work Group Members introduced themselves.	

<b>DISCUSSION ITEM</b>	Review and offer feedback on the EL Hub Draft Strategic Plan
Kristi presented the draft strategies for each regional goal and asked the workgroup for feedback.	
Regional Goal 1: No Feedback	
Regional Goal 2: No Feedback	
Regional Goal 3: This is our regional strategy to align with PSU and HV Workgroup	
Regional Goal 4: How is Unite Us promoted? EL Hub is discussing it with all our workgroups and partners.	
Regional Goal 5: Benton County is the pilot because the groundwork has already been laid. After that, the Hub will assess the pilot for potential replication while sharing its successes and challenges with all school districts in our region.	
Regional Goal 6: Adding a statement to ensure professional development aligns with ORO credit.	
Regional Goal 7: For strategy 7.2, the Oregon Department of Education has resources and toolkits available.	
Regional Goal 8: No Feedback	

<b>DISCUSSION ITEM</b>	Next Steps
Kristi asked the workgroup to consider how we operationalize each of the strategies.	
Feedback included:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Involve the Parent Leadership Council to engage with families about what they</li> </ul>	

need in the kindergarten transition process.

- How can we educate ourselves more about home visiting in our area and find ways to get strategically involved? We hope to leverage existing meetings, including the LBL Early Childhood Collaboration meetings, to meet this need. OPEC and PSU may also have resources and opportunities for coordination.
- Infant Mental Health Update. The central entity has been chosen, and they are working on building the warmline process. THE IMHA will be meeting again soon.
- Getting substitutes so Kindergarten teachers could attend professional development
- Work with regional Superintendents to incorporate a dedicated day for a kindergarten teacher conference into upcoming school calendars. Could the statewide in-service day be used for this purpose?
- Funding and workforce sustainability and alignment across the region.

Kristi reviewed the Strategic Plan timeline. She thanked the workgroup for their efforts to create this plan.

<b>DISCUSSION ITEM</b>	Summer Meeting Schedule
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The June meeting is canceled because it falls in the last week of school. Our next meeting will be in July. The Strategic Plan will be approved by the EL Hub Governing Board, and we hope the State will have released the final guidelines for the Birth to 5 Literacy Funds.

<b>DISCUSSION ITEM</b>	Updates and Ann
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Sam shared about the upcoming Pollywog Family Summer Event Guide.

Kristi shared about the Asset Mapping project. She informed the workgroup that we want to align with existing community events in rural communities to connect with families in spaces where they're already planning to be.

Paul offered the Alsea Summer Bash on June 22nd from noon to 2 as an excellent opportunity to do the asset mapping.

Kelsey shared that Samaritan Early Learning is organizing another car seat safety event in June or July that might be a good asset mapping opportunity.

<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	9:30 am, July 17, 2024 Online via Zoom
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<b>MEETING ADJOURNED</b>	10:42 am
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