



# Early Learning Hub

*of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties*

## Governing Board Packet December 2023

Governing Board  
Early Learning Hub  
December 7, 2023  
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## Packet Overview

In your Governing Board packet for December 2023, you will find the following information:

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## Agenda

### Governing Board Members

Claire Hall, Co-Chair  
Lincoln County Commissioner

Lola Jones, Co-Chair  
Samaritan House

Shelagh Baird  
Samaritan Health Services

DeAnn Brown  
Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Belit Burke  
Department of Human Services

Jeff Davis  
Linn-Benton Community College

Barbara Dougherty  
Samaritan Early Learning Center

Laura Farmer  
Parent

Susan Holliday  
Philomath School District

Jason Hay  
Linn-Benton Lincoln  
Education Service District

Todd Jeter  
IHN-CCO – Standing Position

Stephany Koehne  
Kids & Company of Linn County

Steve Martinelli  
Seila School District

Neftali Pizano  
Samaritan Health Services

Bettina Schempf  
Old Mill Center

Paul Smith  
Strengthening Rural Families

Diane Wilkinson  
Lincoln County School District

Lynnette Wynkoop  
Child Care Resource & Referral



December 7, 2023  
2:00 – 4:00 PM

*Members of the public wanting to make public comment must sign in. Each individual speaker will have 3 minutes during the Public Comment portion of the Agenda.*

- I. Roll Call – Zoom Participants List
- II. Special Presentations
  - a. Family Preservation Demonstration Site,  
Jennifer Holman & Erica Jauregui
  - b. Medicaid Waiver 1115, Todd Jeter
- III. Public Comment
- IV. Director's Report
- V. Fiscal Report
- VI. Consent Items
  - a. November Meeting Minutes
- VII. Discussion Item
  - a. February Board retreat Benton County location -  
Discussion
  - b. Parent Leadership Council Update - Informational
- VIII. Next Meeting – February 1, 2024. Board Retreat,  
In-Person in Benton County
- IX. Adjournment

All members of the EL Hub Governing Board **must disclose** when they believe they have or may have a conflict of interest and may participate in discussions that are leading to consensus. If, however, consensus cannot be reached and the group uses the fallback voting process, the individual with the conflict of interest may not participate in that final vote.

## Fiscal Report

### October Financial Narratives



**Early Learning Hub**  
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## Finance

October 2023

### MONTH-END DETAILS

#### **Revenue:**

In the month of October, we received our monthly amounts of \$34,200 for Coordination and \$10,000 for Pollywog.

#### **Expenditures:**

Wages came to a total of \$51,125.76 for the month of October. The benefits total was \$35,684.80. And the total for services and supplies came to a total of \$8,408.98.

#### **Other Information:**

We are working with the Business Office at Linn-Benton Community College to change our accounting structure and make things easier to track.

## October Financial Summary

### Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties

#### Early Learning Hub - 2-Year Budget (7/1/23 - 6/30/25)

Governing Board Summary Financial Update as of the end of October 2023

Revenues	Budget	Current Month	YTD	Balance	% Rcvd
<b>Grant Resources</b>					
Pollywog	\$ 99,260.16	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 89,260.16	\$ 10,000.00	90%
<b>State Resources</b>					
Dept. of Education - ELD - Coordination (carry-over)	\$ 153,779.30	\$ -	\$ 153,779.30	\$ -	100%
Coordination	\$ 817,724.00	\$ 34,200.81	\$ 133,707.81	\$ 684,016.19	16%
Coordinated Enrollment	\$ 725,074.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 725,074.00	0%
<b>Reimbursement Grants</b>					
Dept. of Education - Title IV-B2	\$ 238,747.00	\$ -	\$ 17,802.00	\$ 220,945.00	7%
Dept. of Education - Kindergarten Partnership & Innovation	\$ 477,814.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 477,814.00	0%
<b>Total All Resources</b>	<b>\$ 2,512,398.46</b>	<b>\$ 44,200.81</b>	<b>\$ 394,549.27</b>	<b>\$ 2,117,849.19</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Current Month</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>% Used</b>
<b>Grant Expenditures</b>					
Pollywog Program	\$ 99,260.16	\$ 23,220.66	\$ 108,248.06	\$ (8,987.90)	109%
<b>State Expenditures</b>					
Coordination	\$ 971,503.30	\$ 37,880.11	\$ 161,471.94	\$ 810,031.36	17%
Coordinated Enrollment	\$ 725,074.00	\$ 34,118.77	\$ 134,820.12	\$ 590,253.88	19%
<b>Reimbursement Grants</b>					
Title IV-B2 Funds	\$ 238,747.00	\$ -	\$ 17,802.00	\$ 220,945.00	7%
Kindergarten Partnership & Innovation	\$ 477,814.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 477,814.00	0%
<b>Total All Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 2,512,398.46</b>	<b>\$ 95,219.54</b>	<b>\$ 422,342.12</b>	<b>\$ 2,090,056.34</b>	<b>17%</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ -</b>				

## Consent Items

### October Meeting Minutes

#### Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties Governing Board Meeting Minutes

<b>MEETING COMMENCED</b>	2:00 pm, November 2, 2023 Online via Zoom
<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	Claire Hall
<b>PRESENTER</b>	Kaleema Murphy, Unite Us
<b>STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	Connie Adams, Kristi Collins, Matt Grams, Antonia Huerta, Jinguang Lin, Ana Reyes, Sam Rounsavell, Carmen Santacruz, Kelly Schell, Bryan Steinhauser, LeAnne Trask
<b>VERSION</b>	Draft
<b>RECORDED</b>	Yes

#### Agenda topics

ROLL CALL			Board Members Present or Absent					
	Present	Absent		Present	Absent		Present	Absent
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Laura Farmer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephany Koehne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lynnette Wynkoop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
QUORUM								
A Quorum was present. There are currently 18 seated Board members and 12 of them were present at this meeting.								

<b>SPECIAL PRESENTATION</b>	Kaleema Murphy, Unite Us
<p>The special presentation was not recorded at the request of Kaleema. Here is a PDF of the presentation: <a href="#">LBL EL Hub - Community Strategy Session Deck</a>.</p> <p>Kristi introduced Kaleem and Unite Us. Pollywog began using Unite Us in July 2023 to better align with the work that was happening in the healthcare sector. And also, the strategies in Raise Up Oregon specifically call out using the Unite US platform. Many Pollywog partners are also now using Unite Us.</p>	

Kaleema explained the Connect Oregon and Unite Us system. It was created to increase cross-sector collaboration and improve outcomes for clients.

She shared that Unite Us is growing. It includes more partners and is serving more clients each year. In our region, for 2023, there have been 239 clients, 390 cases, and 318 referrals through Unite Us.

The top needs in Linn, Benton, and Lincoln Counties for 2023 have been:

- 72% individual and family support
- 74% housing and shelter
- 58% food assistance

Unite Us protects client privacy.

- Client data is never shared without consent.
- Sensitive information and service types, such as substance use services and HIV status, are never shared beyond the service provider.

Unite Us is HIPAA compliant and HITRUST certified. HITRUST, which stands for the Health Information Trust Alliance, is not only a private organization but also a standardized framework, a process, and a certifying body. HITRUST created what is known as the Common Security Framework, or CSF. The CSF is applied to organizations, especially those in the healthcare industry, that are seeking HITRUST certification. The CSF combines standards such as HIPAA, ISO, PCI, SOC 2, and NIST, among many others, into one blanket framework for certification. The multi-faceted CSF is what makes HITRUST more rigorous than other certifications.

Kaleema gave a tour of the Unite Us system in a demo environment. She shared the functionality and resources available.

The Board asked if Unite Us coordinates with the HMIS system. Kaleema said she would ask about their engagement with that platform. She will share that information after the meeting.

The Board asked how Unite Us integrates with other case management software. Kaleema explained that Unite Us does integrate with EMRs.

The Board discussed which members use Unite Us and how that experience is going.

LeAnne shared that Pollywog has been very well supported by Unite Us during our transition.

Kaleema shared her contact information with the Board. Kaleema A.F. Murphy, Customer Success Manager | [Unite Us](#), (503) 679-8718, kaleema.murphy@uniteus.com

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT** LBL Hub Updates

Maria Mendoza, DELC Early Learning Hub Coordinator, attended our October in-person Board meeting. There are two Early Learning Hub Coordinators at DELC. Maria is new, and the other position is currently vacant. This may cause some delays and challenges.

The Strategic Plan template was developed, but Hubs can also use their own branded templates.



DELC created a template for Hubs to use potentially for the strategic plan. They had put the strategic plan deliverable into our scope of work in our contract. The Strategic Plan and Workplan were separated after feedback from EL Hubs. The Strategic Plan better aligns with the timeline of Raise up Oregon, being a four-year strategic plan instead of two. Having the work plan deliverable as a separate document due every two years for creation and updated annually better aligns with the Hubs' work.

Kristi is on several workgroups designing those templates and some of the scope of work deliverables for our contract.

Jumpstart happened on October 26, 2023. The EL Hub had 72 sites participating and reading 335 books in English and 195 books in Spanish. So far, we have received participation numbers from 11 sites, with 60 adults and 215 children reading for the record.

**FISCAL REPORT**

Matt Grams

Matt presented the revenue, expenditures, and miscellaneous reports for September.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

October 2023 Meeting Minutes

The Board was asked to approve the October 2023 meeting minutes.

Motion: Lola Jones

2<sup>nd</sup>: Bettina Schempf

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**VOTING RESULTS**

Individual Votes cast by Board Members (Yes, No, Abstain)

Abstentions: None

The Board voted to approve the minutes as presented.

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

KPI Allocations

Kristi explained the KPI allocation formula and process.

<b>DISCUSSION VOTE</b> KPI Allocations											
The Board was asked to approve the KPI Allocation.											
Motion: Lynnette Wynkoop											
2 <sup>nd</sup> : Lola Jones											
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Shelagh Baird	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Claire Hall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Steve Martinelli	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>VOTING RESULTS</b> Individual Votes cast by Board Members (Yes, No, Abstain)											
Abstentions: Paul Smith, Diane Wilkinson											
The Board voted to approve the KPI Allocation as presented.											

<b>DISCUSSION ITEM</b> 2024 Board Meeting Schedule											
Kristi asked the Board if they would like to consider a new day or time for the meeting in the first week of the month or keep the schedule as presented. After a brief discussion, there was consensus that the current time and day worked well.											

<b>DISCUSSION VOTE</b> 2024 Board Meeting Schedule											
The Board was asked to approve the 2024 Board Meeting Schedule.											
Motion: Laura Farmer											
2 <sup>nd</sup> : Paul Smith											
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<b>VOTING RESULTS</b> Individual Votes cast by Board Members (Yes, No, Abstain)											
Abstentions: None											
The Board voted to approve the 2024 Board meeting schedule as presented.											

DISCUSSION ITEM	Pollywog Holiday Resource Guide
<p>Sam shared that the 2023 Holiday Resource Guide will be published tomorrow. The Board was given live links to review today.</p> <p>In our Holiday Resource Guide, you'll find information about places to get food, holiday meals, gifts, clothes, and other resources that can provide support and assistance to make your holidays a little brighter. <a href="https://indd.adobe.com/view/98f8e004-548e-4000-ba0a-7e3676fc0d27">Click here to view the guide!</a>  <a href="https://indd.adobe.com/view/98f8e004-548e-4000-ba0a-7e3676fc0d27">https://indd.adobe.com/view/98f8e004-548e-4000-ba0a-7e3676fc0d27</a></p> <p>En nuestra Guía de recursos para las fiestas, encontrará información sobre lugares donde conseguir alimentos, comidas navideñas, regalos, ropa y otros recursos que pueden brindarle apoyo y asistencia para que sus vacaciones sean un poco más alegres. Algunos programas tienen solicitudes y fechas límite, así que contáctelos lo antes posible. <a href="https://indd.adobe.com/view/e8fb7814-d490-45ad-b3ef-96fad50f8c74">¡Haga clic aquí para ver la guía!</a> <a href="https://indd.adobe.com/view/e8fb7814-d490-45ad-b3ef-96fad50f8c74">https://indd.adobe.com/view/e8fb7814-d490-45ad-b3ef-96fad50f8c74</a></p>	
DISCUSSION ITEM	Raise Up Oregon, Strategic Planning
<p>The Board was asked to focus on the strategies currently assigned to the Governing Board and those listed as "Unassigned" in the <a href="#">Raise Up Oregon by Assigned Workgroup/Lead</a> document and discuss their thoughts related to these strategies and if they are correctly assigned and/or who they should be assigned to.</p> <p>Kristi noted that Raise Up Oregon is the statewide strategic plan, not the Early Learning Hub strategic plan, but our work should align and support what the state has outlined in its strategic plan. Not everything, and Raise Up Oregon will be relevant for this Board at a local level. For some items, we will be supporting the state or advocating with the state, but it's state-level work. However, there are other objectives and strategies that are local-level work and items that we should be focusing on.</p> <p>The Board asked for presentations about local work relevant to these strategies, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DHS Family Preservation</li> <li>• Home Visiting programs</li> <li>• Medicaid Waiver (1115)</li> </ul> <p>Kristi will start scheduling some of these special presentations over the next few months.</p>	
<p>The Board asked about the timeline for strategic planning. Kristi explained that the Strategic Plan is due September 1, 2024. It is hoped there will be a draft plan ready to present at our June 2024 meeting.</p>	
<p>The Board discussed the possibility of creating a Home Visiting subcommittee to talk about home visiting as a whole.</p>	
<p>It was noted that there are items where the state needs to take ownership before this Board can accomplish anything. There is a lot of planning and bureaucracy and not enough advancing the work.</p>	
<p>It was suggested that for housing-related topics, the Board could identify the regional housing champions and recruit them to positions on the Board and members of our workgroups. It is essential to focus on building housing partnerships and aligning goals.</p>	

Creating a Strategic Plan is a contract deliverable. We have to meet those to get the funds that we receive. To make our plan, the Board needs to create a document that acknowledges the work that we've done and where we are in the work on the strategies and identify areas where there may be gaps in the work that we've done or partners that we haven't engaged with quite as thoroughly and focus in on that work and where we want to go next while continuing what we've been working on.

The Board requested a survey to gather feedback on items Boards should continue to work on and what they would like to take on.

It was suggested that the current [Raise Up Oregon by Assigned Workgroup/Lead](#) document be made collaborative with a column for feedback and a column that asks if this strategy is a candidate for inclusion or exclusion in our Strategic Plan. Kristi will create that document and share it in Basecamp.

#### PROGRAM UPDATES

Change to the Workgroup and Program Updates

Lola explained the change to the Workgroup and Program Updates section of our meetings. To prioritize meeting time for items that need action or feedback, Program Updates and Workgroup Reports will be included in the Board packet but not presented during the meeting.

#### NEXT MEETING

2:00 pm, December 7, 2023  
Online via Zoom

#### MEETING ADJOURNED

3:31 pm

## Discussion Items

### February Board retreat Benton County location

No handout for this item

### Parent Leadership Council Update

No handout for this item

## Workgroup Updates

To prioritize meeting time for items that need action or feedback, Workgroup, and Program Updates will be included in the Board packet but not presented during the meeting.

### Health Care Integration Workgroup Update



### Health Care Integration Workgroup Update 30 November 2023

- 1) The Health Care Integration Workgroup (HCI) meets the second Tuesday of each month, from 9:30-11:00am, via Zoom. We used to rotate between the three counties to hold meetings, but we have found that we have MUCH better attendance by holding our meetings remotely. Our average attendance is between 25-30 people.
- 2) Our Committee Chair is Deanna Barkley from Family Tree Relief Nursery, the Co-Chair is Katie Walsh from Samaritan Health Plans, and the Pollywog staff facilitate these meetings.
- 3) In November, the HCI workgroup met on Tuesday, November 14 and Chantelle Estess from the Lincoln County Winter Shelter Program gave a presentation about their new program to support the homeless population in Lincoln County:
  - Opened 43 days ago at their temporary housing facility in Newport
  - Nightly capacity is 23 people
  - To date they have served 65 new, unique people
  - Over 60% of those served are over 55 years old, with the oldest being 79 years old
  - Their new facility will be in the old Crossroads Building, and its nightly capacity will be 50 people
  - Cold weather services will run from Oct. 1 thru Mar. 31 each year
  - Attempting to create a “low barrier” program for the homeless
- 4) Next HCI members were introduced to the latest version of Raise Up Oregon, and Kristi Collins discussed the recommendations of the Governing Board. We asked the group to review the recommendations, and to come to our next meeting with thoughts about what we could do as a workgroup to assist with the work that needs to be done to meet these goals. (In addition, we held a private meeting with the Community Doulas, and discussed the strategies that pertain to them specifically, and asked for their input at the next HCI meeting regarding what HCI could do to help them.)
- 5) The next meeting of the HCI workgroup is Tuesday, Dec. 12. Our presentation will be given by Melissa Murphy from the Benton County Health Department regarding Car Seat Safety in our region.

## P-3 & ECCC Workgroup Update



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### P-3 & ECCC

The P-3 Alignment and ECCC workgroups met on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The focus of the P-3 discussion was on KPI. There was also discussion regarding the new Early Literacy funds and DELC's intent to distribute them using the existing statewide KPI funding formula for Hubs. This plan still needs to be approved by the legislature with a projected timeline for Hubs to receive a contract for these funds in April of 2024. The P-3 workgroup is being leveraged to help plan for the distribution of these funds in our region.

We then transitioned to the shared time of this workgroup meeting with P-3 and ECCC participants, selecting a strategy from RUO to focus on and then using JamBoard. Workgroup members selected Early Literacy and Inclusive Environments as our focus for this meeting. For this activity, we included work that is already happening, what's coming, and what's needed. We will select additional topics for our next meeting.



## Program Updates

To prioritize meeting time for items that need action or feedback, Workgroup, and Program Updates will be included in the Board packet but not presented during the meeting.

### Business Liaison



### Business Liaison

#### November 2023 Progress Update

##### Accomplishments:

- Awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Niemeyer Foundation for use as start-up grants for Linn and Benton County residents in conjunction with Growing Care
- Growing Care paid advertising campaign set to begin through Madison Ave Collective
- Continued collaboration with Samaritan Health Services (SHS) to assist with employee child care expansion plans, and assisting with updating child care info on their employee intranet portal.
- Presented at the 2023 NW Rural Investment Strategy Summit to an audience of approx. 50 TA providers, impact investors, philanthropy, and policy makers, to discuss Growing Care.
- Presented at the 2023 WORKing Together Conference in a child care working group discussing employer-sponsored child care options

##### Near-term goals:

- Collaborating with Mailbox Merchants for an additional paid marketing campaign for Growing Care in early 2024 using digital advertising
- Shop Little Beavers Preschool "Adapt-a-program" option to Corvallis-based employers
- Develop Senior Living on-site child care project with a well-sourced presentation





# Pollywog Update

## November 30, 2023



## Pollywog Partners & Unite Us



Advantage Dental  
 Community Doula Program  
 Comm. Health Centers, Linn & Benton Cos.  
 Community Services Consortium  
 Crossroads Communities  
 Family Tree Relief Nursery  
 IHN Maternity Care Coordination  
 Kidco Head Start  
 LBCC Parenting Education  
 Monarch on 4th  
 Old Mill Center  
 Parenting Success Network  
 Preschool Promise  
 Reconnections Counseling  
 Rideline  
 Samaritan Family Med., Sweet Home  
 Young Roots  
 Your Birth Your Way

Join Pollywog on Unite Us for quick, easy, and secure referrals for the children and families you support.

Pollywog loves Unite Us because it's HIPAA-secure and solves the database issues we had in the past. Plus it's free to all community organizations!

Do you have questions about Unite Us and how it works for Pollywog Partners? Contact Connie or one of the partners listed.

(This list is only partners who accept online referrals in Unite Us, which means quicker referrals and more time to help families!)

## Unite Us Data for November 2023

**Families served - 66**

**New cases - 35**

*Each client need is a separate case.  
Data was pulled 11/28/23 for this report.*

**Referrals sent: 24**

**Referrals received: 34**

Parenting Education - 24  
 Counseling - 1  
 Preschool Promise - 1

## Coordinated Enrollment



### Coordinated Enrollment Update

November 2023

Preschool Promise Providers	Total Slots Awarded	Available Slots
Alsea Pups Strengthening Rural Families	18	3
Awesome Blossom Child Care, LLC	12	1
Baby Boomers	9	4
Bobbi Ann Corwin	4	1
Bright Bumble Bees	7	2
Cubby Preschool	9	0
Happy Munchkins Preschool and Childcare	12	0
Hey Diddle Diddle Learning Center Inc	11	0
Mid-Willamette Family YMCA – Growing Leaders	14	0
Nana's Daycare	6	0
North Albany Learning Center	7	0
Old Mill Center for Children and Families, Inc.	18	0
Rainbow Readers	10	0
Samaritan Early Learning Center	18	1
South Shore Elementary	17	0
Sunrise Elementary School	18	0
Oceanlake Elementary Tiger Preschool (Taft)	8	0
Waverly Elementary School	18	0
Wee Irish	10	0
Yachats Youth and Family Program, Inc	18	6
Total	252	18

The following is a breakdown of the total Preschool Promise applications received for the school year 2023-2024.

	<100%	101%-130%	130%-200%	>200%	*Auto Qualifiers	Total	Notes
<b>Applications Received As of 11/30/23</b>	62	19	33	10	228	353	Non-completed Application default to <100%
<b>Non-Completed Applications</b>	27	0	0	0		27	
<b>New Eligible Children</b>	26	18	33	6	197	280	
<b>Inactive Children (not qualified or declined by family)</b>	9	1	0	4	31	45	
<b>Number of Open Slots</b>	18/252	7.14%					
<b>Providers at 100% Capacity</b>	13/20						

Eligible Children >200% are on FAR Waiver

\*Auto Qualifiers are Adult OHP,SNAP,TANF,WIC & Foster