



Family Resource Center Meeting
January 14, 2019 9:00 – 11:00 am
United Way of Lane County
3171 Gateway Loop, Springfield, Oregon

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Notes

1. Welcome/Introductions- 5 mins

- **In attendance:** Claire Hambly, UWLC; Emily Reiter, UWLC; Alicia Longoria, Eugene 4J; Donna Willits, Crow-Applegate-Lorane; Gretta Sagolla, Eugene 4j; Kack Camerer, Oakridge; Dan Silver, Lowell; Ana Maria Dudley, SLSD; Crystal Perdue, Creswell; Sarah Canales, LCPH; Silvia Ceja, Brattain House; Lela Ross, NAACP; Shana Hockema, Marcola SD; Angela Albin, CAFA; Laura Weiss, Springfield SD; Laura Clegg, 90by30; Michelle Sheng-Palmisano, UWLC; Clarissa Parker, UWLC; Ann Salminen, UWLC

2. Preschool Promise: Trainings and Enrollment- 5 mins

- Ann Salminen and Clarissa Parker
- Gearing up for the 19-20 enrollment
- Goal is to send out applications in mid-April
- Opportunities for feedback on enrollment forms?
 - Spanish errors
 - School needs additional info – PP wants to ask minimum
- Interest form & application form (not necessary to complete interest form)
- Services drop in the summer and staff can't help families complete the process
- Increased volunteer efforts for outreach
- 4-year-olds who have not had preschool are in priority population
- Timeline document?
- Opportunities to join PP provider trainings
 - March 14th and May 9th from 6:15-8:15 on LCC campus; dinner is provided; presenters TBD

3. Imagination Library- 5 mins

- Michelle Sheng-Palmisano
- Handout available
- IL is a national program where kids ages 0-5 receive a free book in the mail every month
 - Books developmentally appropriate; 2 are bilingual
- UW efforts are targeting rural communities
- Enough funding for 1,000 kids for 2 years
- Michelle will reach out if program is expanding to a new community
- Can CG library foundation apply directly to IL?
 - Yes, can become an affiliate if there are funds to support it
 - Funders could be rotary, public library foundation; UW can partner
- Enrollment forms available

4. Immunization Project- 20 mins



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- Sarah Canales, LCPH
- Lane County Public Health Immunization Program
 - Provide immunizations; ensure school children are immunized; educate health care providers; community partnership; community education
- Oregon law requiring all children in public and private schools have full immunizations
 - School exclusion day: February 20th
 - Flyers available with vaccine schedule (available on OHA site – <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/easy-to-read/index.html>)
 - Lane County currently at 72% of 2-year-olds vaccinated; goal is 80%
- Barriers:
 - Access to health services: handout of Vaccines for Children (VFC) clinics – 37 in Lane Co.
 - Misleading information on vaccines
 - a. Want to direct parents to accurate info
 - b. Boost Oregon: parent guides with FAQ
- Pharmacies do some (call first); some will have walk-in slots available before Feb. 20
- Resources:
 - CDC vaccine website for parents: <https://cdc.gov/vaccines/parents>
 - Vaccine Schedules in English and Spanish: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/easy-to-read/child.html
 - Boost Oregon: www.boostoregon.org
 - Immunize Action Coalition: www.immunize.org
 - Oregon Health Authority: www.oregon.gov/oha
- CG does open house for incoming kinders with vaccine resources table
- LCPH can table at events in English and Spanish

5. NAACP Outreach- 10 mins

- Lela Ross: outreach@naacplanecounty.org
- Saturdays drop in 10:00-1:00 at LCC downtown rms 209 & 210 program partners with SMART
 - Pre-k to 3rd grade can participate; take home a book
 - Focusing on representing people of color: readers, volunteers, books; have some bilingual books and 1 bilingual reader
 - All kids are welcome to participate in all programming
 - Next room: older kids can access computers and homework help; enrichment programs (ex: snowshoeing, basketball game)
- Monday, January 21st: MLK march from PK park to the Shedd
- ACT-SO talent completion: for students 8th-12th grade; typically performing arts (ex: poems, short stories, STEM); provides students of color with community mentor
- Like NAACP Eugene/Springfield on Facebook!

6. CAFA Safe Families- 15 mins

- Angela Albin, CAFA



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- National program to offer resources to families in crisis instead of entering foster system
- Volunteer families take in kids during a crisis
 - Crisis: one that can be overcome within 6 months; makes it difficult to parent well but they are a good enough parent to not involve DHS
 - Parent gets kids back as soon as the crisis is resolved or they want them back
 - 1-2 nights up to 8 months (but aim for 3 months for long-term)
 - Newborn – age 12 (most kids are pre-k age)
- How to reach the families who may not be connected to community resources
- Family coach available to help parents navigate
- Transportation provided to school if the child is placed outside of school district
- Volunteer families: most come from churches; 15 hours of online training; in-person training; background check; home visit
- Can take children with medical issues and “some light behavioral issues” but the child cannot be the reason for the crisis or the program is not a good option
- Parents need to be the one to ask for help; can call number and meet informally to discuss situation
- One family is bilingual

7. 90 by 30 and FRCs- 15 mins

- Laura Clegg, 90 by 30
- Laura is MSW intern from Portland State; partnering with UW to do a needs assessment with the FRCs: unique needs, common needs, how we can partner with 90by30
- Laura is currently interviewing FRC coordinators – please sign up for a time slot or respond to her email

8. Identifying Parents with Cognitive Limitations- 30 mins

- Linzy Jones, Pearl Buck
- Continuously seeking referrals: 3% of general population lives with cognitive limitation; many parents need to be identified
- PBC serves people with various abilities – preschool parents don’t need to have a diagnosed disability
- Preschool serves children whose parents have a cognitive limitation; sometimes children also have a limitation
- Myths about parents: believe children will have limitations; parents will fail to provide adequate care/supervision
- This population is highly over-represented in the welfare system
- All parents can use help!
- Mon-Fri half-day preschool program
 - Accept children at 2 (toddlers 2-3 in 1 classroom)
 - 3-5-year-olds in 2 classrooms
 - 10 children/classroom – 30 children/year
 - Automatically includes a second sibling
- Serve all of Lane County



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- Transportation covered 100%
- Families also eligible for family support services: parent mentorship; PBIS used in classroom and home visits
 - Home visits – goals are set by the family
- PBC does not receive federal funding – not tied to rules and regulations; can visit as often as necessary, meet outside of the home, provide transportation
- 2 home visitors; 45 families
- Support services are available outside of preschool; also offering kindergarten transition support
- Services available in Spanish
- Call office for electronic version of intake form
- Have conversation with the parent prior to making the referral
- DHS contracts: if working with DHS family, let family know about services or let child case worker know
- February 14th: benefit breakfast – email Linzy to RSVP
- Services for parents coming from other school districts/with older kids?
 - Can provide services for families with children up to age 6
 - Older kids: try Oregon Family Support Network

9. UW Updates- 15 mins

- Data Collection App
 - Thank you for the feedback!
 - a. Families needing unique email address
 - b. Access to reporting feature
 - Let Claire know if there is anything else that needs to be changed
 - a. Parent playgroup: different number of kids each time; how to add in children without an adult
 - b. 20-30 kids without adults in Oakridge
- RAR Update
 - UW is the affiliate for Lane Co; FRC's are implementation sites
 - 5-year agreement comes to an end in July, UW considering transferring affiliate to one or more FRC's instead of being middle man
 - a. Affiliate is in charge or reports
 - b. 1-3 affiliates okay
 - c. Lane ESD
 - Many high-quality resources available
- Dental kits
 - Will be distributed to schools K-2; offices and FRC's can have surplus supply
 - Also pre-K specific kits that anyone can have
 - Please estimate numbers for this
- Mid-year check ins
 - Please sign up for Doodle poll (need coordinator and district contact)
 - Let Claire know if these times don't work
- Quarterly reports and invoices due

10. FRC Updates- Time permitting



- Each FRC is invited to give a brief update of goings-on at the site, share upcoming events or announcements, or trouble-shoot a particular problem or issue.

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