

Tuesday, April 16th, 2019 - 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Options for Southern Oregon,
Child Care Location: Riverside Center

Parents Present:

Alicia Waldon, Comm Rep	Amanda Edwards, SV	Andrew Monie, RVS	Angela Alexander, IV
Ashley McEvers, ABC	Baback Khosroabadi, ASH	Brooklyne Elmore, CP	Celeste Pleitez, CP
Courtney Friedt, Comm. Rep	Dayna Arnett, RR	Devin Tandy, IV	Donea Murdoch, ABC
Elizabeth McIntyre, RVS	Jamie Knight, ABC	Jessica Ortiz, PXT	Jilian McCulloch, CP
Kristen Aguiar, SM	Maylene Cherry, ABC	Michelle Wilde, MER	Nathan Fieguth, SM
Rebecca Price, RVS	Taylor Sickau, Comm, Rep	Tyler Aguiar, SM	Valina Eichman, HLS
Wes McEvers, ABC			

Staff Present:

Blair Johnson, EHS Director	Karen Lujan Valerio, PFCE SAA	Katherine Clayton, Assistant Head Start	Lisa Farlin, PFCE Director
Maria Arroyo, Interpreter	Michelle Homer-Anderson, HS Director	Nancy Nordyke, Executive Director	Yoana Martinez, Interpreter

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND GROUND RULES: Maylene Cherry, ABC

- Met quorum

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

- No comments

WARM UP ACTIVITY: Lisa Farlin, PFCE Director-

- Spring Flowers and inspirational notes

CENTER SHARING: Hillside and Sam's Valley

- Talked about being more accessible with video sharing parent meeting
- Sam's Valley working on Dollar per Child

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Amanda Edwards, SV, moves to approve the minutes; Dayna Arnett, RR, seconds the motion. Motion Passes

CONSENT AGENDA: Blair Johnson, EHS Director

- Make sure we are reaching out to family and friends to see if they are eligible for programs
- Remind parents that there is a local office in Grants Pass to sign up
- If any members would like to help with recruitment events reach out to Blair Johnson
- Great increase in parent participation and parent engagement activities
- 8% increase on children with dental exams

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Rebecca Price, Vice Chair

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT: Given by Nancy Nordyke, Executive Director

- Progress Early Learning Center is almost ready and we are hoping the permits will come through in May. Services will start sometime in the summer
- Park View center is now serving food
- Nancy is retiring, applications for the position close 4/26/2019
 - Would like to have PC parent in the hiring committee, 2 representative and 1 alternate.
 - Nathan Fieguth, board liaison will be one and there will be voting for the other representative and alternate
 - Angel Alexander, IV. Elected as representative
 - Kristen Aguiar, SM. Elected as alternate
- Collective bargaining process is starting for union employees. Negotiations are kept confidential until an agreement is reached and presented to PC
- Waiting for the release of the COLA funds for employees and have COLA checks retroactively dated

HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START DIRECTORS REPORT: Blair Johnson EHS Director

- Supplemental grant submitted last November was accepted and it will convert 11 classes to duration for HS and 5 for EHS
- Will open 26 new staff positions
- Grant will also help with renovations to ABC, to add 2 EHS and 1 HS classrooms

Taylor Sickau, Comm. Rep, moves to accept the OPK grant; Kristen Aguiar, SM, seconds it. Motion Carries. No abstentions

- Annual Report 2018-2019 was distributed
- Self-assessment report, didn't reveal any deficiencies. We're doing great

Jamie Knight, ABC, moves to accept self-assessment; Dayna Arnett, RR, seconds it. Motion Carries. No abstentions

BREAK

COMMITTEE:

- Board Liaison
- Events Committee
- By-laws committee

OLD BUSINESS:

- Dollar Per Child, we are at over \$725. Need to have all money by Wednesday April 17th.

NEW BUSINESS: Lisa Farlin, PFCE Director

- OHSA specialist conference presentation

ADJOURNMENT: meeting called to adjournment at 8:08 pm

Amanda Edwards, SV, moves to adjourn the meeting; Dayna Arnett, RR, seconds it. Motion Carries. No abstentions

HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM –DIRECTORS’ REPORT
Program Information Summary
April 2019

Duration Grant to Increase Program Hours: We are excited to report that our grant was fully funded! Head Start will fully convert 11 classes to duration and EHS will convert 5 part-day classes to duration starting in September 2019. We anticipate hiring 26 staff (14 for EHS, 12 for HS) into new positions to provide duration services. The grant also funds a major renovation of the Alan Berlin A center to a three classroom site and the addition of a child bathroom and larger kitchen at EHS Cave Junction.

Facilities:

The new Progress Drive Early Learning Center in Medford will be completed by the end of this month. We anticipate services to children will start in May/June after all inspections are conducted.

Self-Assessment: The Self-Assessment Report and Self-Assessment Quality Improvement Plan were presented to Board and Policy Council.

Program Planning: The annual update to the Community Assessment is complete. The Program Planning Committee will meet April 23rd to plan for the 2019-2020 program year.

Annual Report: The annual report for 2018-2019 was distributed to Board and Policy Council. It is also posted on the agency website.

OPK One Time Funds: The state requested that we accept or decline one-time funds during the Spring Break time period. Due to the quick reply needed we accepted them. A vote is needed.

OHS Spring Specialists Conference: 9 staff attended and returned with new information and skills. An area of focus was on Disaster Preparedness. SOHS has many systems and procedures in place and will review those and update as needed.