

MORROW COUNTY LOCAL COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 1st, 2018 @ 9:00 AM
Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive NE, Boardman, Oregon

PARTICIPANTS PRESENT: Amy Hendrix, Andrea Fletcher, Angie Treadwell, Bob Houser, Diane Kilkenny, Dirk Dirksen, Don Eppenbach, Don Russell, Donna Eppenbach, Emily Reynolds, Erin Bartsch, Erin Stocker, Heidi Zeigler, Kimberly Lindsay, Marie Shimer, Mary Ann Wren, Peggy Doherty, Rebecca Gardner, Robbin Ferguson, Seth Whitmer, Sharity Ludwig, Sheree Smith, and Troy Soenen **Present via Phone:** Linda Skendzel.

CALL TO ORDER

The Morrow County LCAC meeting was called to order by LCAC Chair, Sheree Smith at 9:07 am.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Sheree welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

REVIEW OF JANUARY MINUTES

Members reviewed minutes from the January 4th, 2018 LCAC Meeting. Motion made by Heidi Zeigler to approve minutes as presented. Bob Houser seconded the motion. Motion carries to approve minutes as presented.

EOHLA – ANDREA FLETCHER

The Eastern Oregon Healthy Living Alliance (EOHLA) aims to improve community health in Eastern Oregon by providing strategies in the Regional Community Health Improvement Plan and by supporting community health development initiatives within the region.

Andrea Fletcher provided the following EOHLA update: Healthy Happy Smiles in Grant, Baker, Harney and Malheur Counties all seeing improvement in consent forms, screening and fluoride application. MHFA trainings area scheduled for Harney, Lake, Grant and Malheur Counties in January and February. Partnering with Morrow County to increase outreach efforts to improve colon cancer screening. Integrated Nurse Home Visiting Program that integrates mental/behavioral support into existing home nurse programs in Morrow County will begin the learning collaborative tentatively beginning in March.

INCENTIVE MEASURE UPDATE – TROY SOENEN

Troy provided a December Progress Report for Morrow County Incentive Measures. The report is based on claims processed through December 31, 2017.

EOCCO GRANT SUBMISSIONS – ANDREA FLETCHER

The following grants have been submitted on behalf of the Morrow County LCAC and/or community partners:

1. Adolescent Well Care - AWC Workgroup will create media messages and timeline for promoting 4 events (Boardman, Irrigon, and Heppner) planned for summer months and scheduled appointments throughout the year. \$40,000
2. CARE Program - Continuing wraparound services. \$50,000
3. CAC Grant – Community Counseling Solutions/Morrow County schools will begin a student peer to peer mentoring program for students indicating social or emotional support needs. \$43,000
4. Colon Cancer – MCHD requesting EOHLA is partnering with three counties to improve screening rates through various outreach activities, including clinic sponsored direct mail, small and mass media, and group education. The opt in grant will focus on direct mail outreach to EOCCO clients; whereas, the EOHLA grant will focus on direct mail outreach to individuals within in all areas of the county. \$25,000

ELECTIONS – CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR AND SECRETARY

Sheree Smith was elected for Chair. Andrea Fletcher was elected Vice-Chair. Diana Bjork was elected for Secretary.

LCAC MEMBERSHIP REVIEW – SHEREE SMITH

Sheree reviewed the current membership approved by Morrow County Court. It was decided that membership not regularly attending will be notified of intent to remove. This will give those entities the opportunity to decide if they would like to continue involvement with the LCAC. At the April meeting action will be taken on removing non-involved membership from the roster. Seth Whitmer will take the lead on recruitment of OHP member to the committee.

JOINT LCAC AND EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMITTEE MEETING DISCUSSION

Due to a schedule conflict with Umatilla ECPT meeting on the first Thursday of each month, it was agreed to move the next joint LCAC and Early Childhood Committee meeting to the second Thursday of April. The meeting will be at 9:00, April 12th in Boardman.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ROUNDTABLE

- Marie Shimer SPURS is off and running in all three communities. The health curriculum adoption process is continuing. There will be 3 community meetings. Office Shimer, Boardman SRO, is looking at bringing a child seat certification to Morrow County. In order for the training to be brought locally, there would need to be at least 21 interested trainees.
- Amy Hendrix Vision screenings went well. There were 8-9 pairs glasses given to students
- Kimberly Lindsay CCS has applied for a funding opportunity with Advantage Dental to serve veterans. The funding will provide dental scholarship (\$55,000), housing assistance (\$35,000), tactical resource centers (\$9,000), and a small portion of a CCS FTE position (\$10,000).
- Angie Treadwell Cooking Matters will be in Irrigon starting February 13th. It will be held at the Morrow Education Center.
- Rebecca Gardner There are 2 parent meetings coming up. She will try to engage their families on the LCAC board.
- Robbin Ferguson Starting a volunteer training. The training is 2 weeks of training, every other day. Parenting now classes. Holding several presentations.
- Don Russell Wanted to pass along exceptional service he received from Dr. Sheridan at Advantage Dental.
- MaryAnn Wren Whitney has left Advantage Dental. She was offered an opportunity that will fit her family and schedule. She will be missed.
- Seth Whitmer The flu is in full swing. Starting the next 2-3 weeks CRCHS will begin converting space into exam rooms. The extended hours have been a big success. The first vision clinic was very successful. Looking at adding 26,000 additional square feet. Potential for some childcare services. Very proud of the no-show rate. CCS is putting a clinician in the clinic. Pharmacy doing great.
- Erin Bartsch Please take a moment to check out the resource guide on the Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub website. If there are corrections or additions, please let them know.
- Dirk Dirksen Dirk provided information regarding the Morrow County Graduation rates. Please see press release attached below for specific details.
- Bob Houser There is a new provider working through the Oregon Medical Board process. There is a new PA in Irrigon. They are working on credentials. There will be a February 12th preconstruction meeting.
- Erin Stocker CARE is going well. Molly has taken a new position with Public Health. Weekly and monthly meetings are continuing.
- Troy Soenen Troy handed out a mini survey focusing on non-traditional food sources.
- Diane Kilkenny Diane provided the final CARE report.
- Sheree Smith Molly has accepted a new position. Currently looking to fill the CARE RN vacancy.
- Linda Skendzel On February 5, there will be an outreach meeting in Irrigon at the library. Legal aid will be there offering information on senior planning. On February 22, there will be a woman's veteran's forum at the Riverfront Conference Center. On March 6, there will be a meeting at the library in Irrigon to discuss changes in VA health care. March 23-24, Elizabeth Estabrook will be at the Sage Center with a photo exhibit and movie.

Next meeting will be March 1st at 9:00am at Morrow County Bartholomew Conference Room, 110 N Court, Heppner, Oregon.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:28 am

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Morrow County Evaluates District Graduation Rate

HEPPNER -- The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) released high school graduation rates for schools statewide today. Students in the Morrow County School District who graduated in the 2016-2017 school year have a four-year cohort rate of 77.84%. The four-year cohort rate means students who earned their diplomas within four years of high school. For the three high schools in the Morrow County School District – Boardman, Heppner and Irrigon – there were a total of 194 students in the four-year cohort.

Oregon's statewide graduation rate is 76.65%.

Superintendent of Morrow County School District Dirk Dirksen has done some calculations about the class of 2017 graduates and those that did not graduate in the four-year timeframe.

Of the **194 four-year cohort students**, there were **41 non-graduates** in the group. Of those:

3 students received a GED

14 have returned to the school district and are on track to graduate or receive a GED this school year (2017-18)

3 students' records were not received from another school district in time to be removed from the MCSD graduation list.

This leaves **21 non-graduates**. Based on those facts and figures, Dirksen said, he calculates the district's graduation rate as 89.18%.

So, what about those 21 other non-graduate students?