

**EASTERN OREGON COORDINATED CARE ORGANIZATION
SHERMAN COUNTY COMMITTEE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, March 1, 2018
Sherman County OSU Extension Office
Moro, Oregon

Members Present: Paul McGinnis, Barb Seatter, Amber DeGrange, Cindy Brown, Tom McCoy, Caitlin Blagg, Hayli Eiesland, Mark Corey, Mike Smith

Members Absent: Teri Thalhofer, Melody Stafford, Wes Owens, Teresa McCallum, Jayne Burnett, Ashley Danielson, Amy Asher

Guest Present: Mary Ann Wren, Terra Fleury, John Adams, Estela Gomez, Sharon Thornberry

Local County Coordinator: Jessie Elias

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hayli Eiesland at 3:01 PM.

Introductions were made.

Minutes by Jessie Elias

Additions to the Agenda:

- Advantage Dental letter of support was added under Other Business.
- OHSU letter of support was added under Other Buiness.

Summary of Actions Taken

- Motion moved by Amber DeGrange and seconded by Cindy Brown to approve the minutes for February. Motion passed.
- Motion moved by Mike Smith and seconded by Barb Seatter to pay Sherman County Food Bank 12 month rent in the amount of \$1,800. Motion passed.
- Motion moved by Barb Seatter and seconded by Amber DeGrange to authorize Hayli Eiesland to sign letter of support for Advantage Dental (Virtual Dental Home). Motion passed.
- Motion moved by Tom McCoy and seconded by Amber DeGrange to authorize Hayli Eiesland to sign letter of support for OHSU 2018-2021 grant. Motion passed.

Reports & Updates:

- **Approval of Minutes**
 - Minutes for February 1, 2018, were approved.

Sherman County Food Bank:

- Sharon Thornberry shared information about the Columbia Gorge Food Bank.
- Columbia Gorge Food Bank is a regional food bank that serves Hood River, Sherman & Wasco Counties.
- Columbia Gorge Food Bank is working to continue services at Sherman county food bank. The Sherman County food bank location is asking \$1,800/per year for rent.
- Ideas on how to fund and continue Sherman county food bank.
 - Harvest share sites.
 - Bring out produce and bread.
 - Expand number of sites.
 - Pairing up with WIC.
 - Raise money from donations.
 - Open a school pantry.
 - In order to open a pantry a private nonprofit needs to sponsor the school pantry, Columbia Gorge Food Bank will provide all the equipment and refrigeration for the pantry and also provide a manual and train people on how to run a pantry.
- Mike Smith proposed helping for a short time by covering a year's worth of rent.
- Sherman County food bank serves about 40-50 families monthly.
- Amy Asher checked in with food bank and was told food bank is not in danger of closing but looking for opportunities to partner for fundraising.
- Opening school pantries in Dufur and Wahtonka, planning to open school pantries in Hood River and Cascade Locks.
- Amber Degrange will follow up with Ariana Bradley to talk about local school opening a school pantry in Sherman County.
- LCAC has \$13,500 administrative funds that can be used for special projects.

- Amber suggested in return for LCAC paying rent for a year, Columbia Gorge Food Bank can provide records of how much food is given out to the county. Also requesting/directing for Columbia Gorge Food Bank to look for another location.
- Tom McCoy will verify if there are administrative funds to pay 12 months of rent for Sherman county food bank location.
- Motion moved by Mike Smith and seconded by Barb Seatter to pay Sherman County Food Bank 12 month rent in the amount of \$1,800. Motion passed.

Colon Cancer Outreach Strategy:

- John Adams presented
- In 2016, Eastern Oregon Healthy Living Alliance (EOHLA) conducted 5 focus groups to identify best practices for colon cancer screening outreach and developed a report of their findings and recommendations. EOHLA received funding from OHSU Knight Cancer Institute to implement the recommendations from colon cancer screening focus groups. EOHLA will partner with CAC's and clinics in Morrow, Sherman, and Gilliam counties to improve colon screening rates. Project outreach activities focus on small/mass media, group education, and clinic sponsored direct mail.
- Key finding from focus group project:
 - A lot of misinformation about colon cancer screening. When people think about colon cancer screening they think about colonoscopy and are less familiar with the annual recommend screenings. From this key finding, project is to focus on health education.
- Small/Mass Media
 - Partner with local individual already involved with community outreach.
 - Disseminate colon cancer educational flyer (includes information on where to access free kits)
 - Places to post flyers:
 - Post Office
 - Stores
 - Senior Center
 - Court House
 - Churches

- Electric/Water bill
- Media/Public Service Announcements
 - Paid advertisements about colon cancer and access to free kits
 - Condon Times-Journal
 - The Dalles Chronicle
 - Sherry E-News
 - Radio
- Social Media
 - Facebook page
- Group Education
 - Outreach presentations with community, civic, and government organizations
 - Lions Club
 - Senior Center
 - Family Fair

EOCCO Community Health Assessment (Quality Input):

- Paul shared about community health assessment:
 - Oregon Health Authority requesting that all CCO's statewide re due their community health assessments and create community health plans by June of 2019.
 - GOBHI beginning the process with qualitative part of the assessment and have designed 24 focus group across the EOCCO region that are hoping to conduct by the middle of next month through June.
 - Need help suggesting names of people to work/recruit to go to the focus group.
 - Paul will provide a link for people to sign up for the focus group.

Frontier Veggie RX Advisory Members:

- GOBHI is looking for two people from each LCAC to serve on the Frontier Veggie RX Regional Advisory Council. Role of the group:
 - Establish the policies and procedures guiding the program's implementation.

- With the project coordinator, help organize a training for the organizations that have agreed to screen for food insecurity and distribute food vouchers.
- With the project coordinator, identify stores where vouchers will be accepted.
- Advise on data collection and evaluation measures.
- Help identify any local food growers whose product can be purchased.
- Overall guidance on ways to add value to the program through other food related activities.
- o The Advisory Council is expected to meet at least monthly between April and June as the program is ramped up. Then as it is implemented meetings are planned quarterly. The meetings will be held using video technology.
- o Cindy Brown will lead the group.
- o Caitlin Blagg volunteered to be one of the Frontier Veggie RX Regional Community Advisory Council.
- o Paul will reach out to Carey Hughs about joining the Frontier Veggie RX Regional Community Advisory Council.

Review of 2017 Incentive Measure Progress

- o Reviewed the report.

Other Business:

- o Advantage Dental letter of support:
 - Mary Ann Wren provided LCAC with letter of support on behalf of Advantage Dental.
- o Motion moved by Barb Seatter and seconded by Amber DeGrange to authorize Hayli Eiesland to sign letter of support for Advantage Dental (Virtual Dental Home). Motion passed.
- o Mary Ann Wren shared OHSU seeking support on an oral health workforce grant.
 - Requesting a letter of support from LCAC.
- o Motion moved by Tom McCoy and seconded by Amber DeGrange to authorize Hayli Eiesland to sign letter of support for OHSU 2018-2021 grant. Motion passed.
- o Cindy Brown submitted Sherman County Veggie RX program to Oregon State for a statewide award in health and nutrition in the community partnerships category.

Next Meeting:

Date: April 5, 2018 at 3:00pm

Location: OSU Extension Office-Sherman County
Moro, Oregon

Meeting adjourned.