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AGENDA

August 31, 2021

5:00pm-6:30pm

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Call in: 1 929-229-5751 Conference ID: 145 513 471#

Standing Business

5:00	1.0	Preliminary and Organizational Business	R. Jones/M. Oliver
	1.1	Opening Remarks	
	1.2	Roll Call	
	1.3	Agenda Review	
	1.4	Approval of December 2020 Minutes, Review of March 11 Meeting Notes	
5:05	2.0	Public Comment	
		<i>Each Individual/Group will have a time limit of three minutes</i>	
	2.1	Invited Public Comment	
	2.2	Other Public Comment	
5:10	3.0	Reports	
	3.1	General Legislative Update	K. Humelbaugh/ D. Denning
	3.2	HB762 General Review	Sen. Golden
	3.3	Budget Review	D. Denning
	3.4	Operations	D. Denning
	3.5	Board Membership	D. Denning
6:05	4.0	Oregon Youth Works	K. Humelbaugh
	4.1	Discussion	
6:20	5.0	Strategic Planning	D. Denning
	5.1	Discussion	



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December 10th, 2020

2:00pm – 5:00pm

Call in: 1 929-229-5751 Conference ID: 333 930 609#

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Co-Chair Robert Jones, Co-Chair Michael Oliver, Mary Chamness, Quincy Gill, Senator Jeff Golden, Senator Michael Dembrow, Evan Sorce, Katy Nelson

Guests:

Staff Present: Jeremy Ahola, Doug Denning, Karen Humelbaugh, Julia Steinberger, Brittany Melzer

Standing Business

Co-Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 2:05pm.

1.0 Preliminary and Organizational Business

- 1.1 Opening remarks and agenda review
- 1.2 October meeting minutes were approved.
- 1.3 3.3 The legislative update was moved forward on the Agenda due to conflicts with Senators Dembrow’s and Golden’s schedules. Both gave an update on the special session and Senator Golden presented on his idea to start a Wildfire Workforce Foundation within the Oregon Community Foundation. Oregon Youth Corps programs could potentially receive funds from this foundation. Senator Golden will be chairing the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery. Senator Dembrow will be chairing the Senate Committee on Education. Evan Sorce reported that house committees will be considering defensible space legislation and also mentioned looking into increasing the amount of revenue receives from Oregon Lottery.

2.0 Public Comment

Each Individual/Group will have a time limit of three minutes

- 2.1 Invited Public Comment: None.
- 2.2 Other Public Comment: None.

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3.0 Reports

- 3.1 Budget Process Overview: The Governor's Recommended Budget (GRB) was released. Director Humelbaugh reported on the budget's priorities. The next step will be legislators releasing their budget and policy statements with their prioritization requests. HECC will provide testimony to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee On Education, who then will make their recommendations to the full Joint Committee on Ways and Means for a vote. The Governor's Recommended Budget for HECC is basically funded at current service level. There is a 10% reduction in general fund that goes to Local Workforce Investment Boards. The Oregon Youth Employment Program (reported out on below) was included in the Governor's Recommended Budget. Debbie Koreski, Lindsey Capps, and Jenn Baker will all serve as appointed Policy Advisor's for HECC. Mr. Capps will be the lead from the Governor's Office for the Oregon Youth Employment Program.
- 3.2 Policy Option Package (POP): Julia Steinberger, Systems Alignment Manager, as well as Director of the S.T.E.M. Council with HECC, presented on Policy Option Package 202, (Oregon Youth Employment Program). The package is part of the Governor's Recommended Budget and, if passed, would be funded at \$11.8 million. There is a companion bill, HB 2092, that allows Oregon Youth Corps to receive part of the allocation and moves Oregon Youth Corps' authority under the same chapter of law.
- 3.3 Legislative Update: Covered above in 1.3
- 3.4 OYC Budget Report: Director Denning announced that the amusement device tax payment is going to come probably today. The majority will be paid today, and the rest will be paid in January. Oregon Youth Corps will be able to fund 22 Community Stewardship Corps grants as soon as the transfer of funds has been completed. The U.S. Department of Labor awarded HECC a Disaster and Dislocated Worker grant, that when fully funded, will allocate \$1M for Oregon Youth Corps grantees. The grants are to be used for fire cleanup. The Bureau of Land Management awarded Oregon Youth Corps a grant for \$45,000 that will focus on tribal youth employment and stewardship.
- 3.5 Operations/Grant Report: Program Officer Jeremy Ahola gave a report on the end of year grant outcomes. Oregon youth Corps was able to grant 22 grant agreements totaling approximately \$410,330. 355 youth were served across 17 different counties. 47% came from rural or frontier communities, and 62% of grants funded had participation from at least one Corpsmember with juvenile justice involvement. Program Officer Ahola transitioned into reporting on the economic and social impacts from not having summer programming in 2020.

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3.6 Board Membership: Senator Golden's appointment to replace Senator Dembrow is waiting on the Senate President's office. Jenny Ammon's application is still sitting with the Governor's Office.

4.0 Strategic Planning

4.1 Historical Overview: Director Denning shared a strategic planning update. Discussion ensued regarding how the revised vision and mission better align with Oregon Youth Corps programming. Having Oregon Youth Corps under the Oregon Youth Employment Program aligns with the Workforce and Talent Development Board as well.

4.2 Discussion of 2021 schedule and benefits of in person versus virtual meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 4:56pm.

OYC Advisory Board Informational Update 3/11/2021

Participants: Co-Chair Michael Oliver, Co-Chair Robert Jones, Director Doug Denning, Director Karen Humelbaugh, Quincy Gill, Prospective Member Jenny Ammon, Jeremy Ahola, Brittany Melzer

Introductions and new membership:

- Jenny Ammon's appointment has not yet been completed as of yet by the Governor's Office. They will be respectfully reminded.
- Representative Wlnsvey Campos' appointment was confirmed.
- Senator Jeff Golden's appointment was confirmed.

Director Karen Humelbaugh's legislative updates:

- HB2303 would move nearly all of OWI's programs from the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to the Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI). The bill has not been scheduled for a hearing and it does not look likely to move forward. If it has not been scheduled for a hearing by March 19th, then according to the Legislature's rules it cannot move forward.
- HB2532, Rep. Jeff Reardon's placeholder bill to look at expanding OYC's portfolio is not moving forward. HB2092, which is the Oregon Youth Employment Program bill includes similar provisions and is moving forward.
- HB2092 has gained traction. A hearing on the bill took place and it appears to have strong bipartisan support. Right now, the bill is in a policy committee. There is a companion bill to fund the program at \$11.7 million that is currently in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

You may follow this link: <https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2021R1/Committees/HED/Overview> to set up a meeting with a legislator (or their staffer) on the House Committee on Education about HB2092, and encourage them to pass the bill. You can identify yourself as an OYC Advisory Board member. We want to show that the bill has strong support.

Director Humelbaugh will have the opportunity to speak in support of the companion funding bill (the \$11.7million ask). If you can at the time, please up to testify to say why the bill is important to pass. We have no information on times and dates yet.

- HB5006 is in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.
- SB248 and SB287 are wildfire mitigation bills that may be amended to include a youth corps component. Staff will monitor the bills and report to the Advisory Board if there are changes made that affect OYC programming.
- There are ongoing regarding additional funding for OYC due to the Amusement Device Tax's reduced revenue as a result of "Stay Home Save Lives" orders throughout 2020.
- Co-Chair Jones requested that staff email Advisory Board members updates when the above bills are scheduled for hearings, scheduled for works sessions, have proposed amendments, or have been amended.