

State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC)

Minutes

September 25, 2015 - Public Service Building, 251A/B Conference Room

The SICC's goals are:

Goal 1: Assure there are adequate resources to fully fund service levels as identified in the state funding formula for early intervention and early childhood special education (EI/ECSE) programs.

Goal 2: Advise and assist the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to implement recommendations from the legislative report generated by joint meetings between the SICC and the Early Learning Council.

Goal 3: Ensure that strong and effective LICCs and other local supports exist for every EI/ECSE contractor and/or subcontractor.

Goal 4: Assure there are appropriate policies in place for children who are eligible for EI/ECSE services and their families.

Members:		X	Johnson-Dorn, Nancy		Guests:
X	Baker, Bruce		Johnson-Hyde, Cristina	X	Dr. Alderman, Sherri
	Benson, Melinda	X	Kellogg, Lori	X	Norton, Kerry
X	Bingham, Claudia	X	Moore, Carol	X	Trow, Pat
	Bolt, Dona		Neunzert, Caroline	X	Williams, Kara
X	Clifford, Jantina	X	Newman, Judy	X	Theodorou, Laurie
X	Cooper McMullen, Jennifer		Reese, Christy		ODE:
X	Dougherty-Smith, Janet		Shales, Paul, M.D.	X	Cordson, Mindy
X	Fredrickson, Ronald	X	Stanley, Mandy (Chair)	X	Jones, Sharla
	Sen. Gelser, Sara	X	Trout, Cassandra (Vice-Chair)		
X	Graham, Susan	X	Williams, Linda		
X	Henry, Jason	X	Woodley, Sarah		Ad Hoc Members (non-voting)
				X	Ford, Nancy

Time	Agenda Item(s)	Purpose	Goals Addressed
8:45 - 9:00	Networking		
9:00 - 9:15	Welcome and Introductions - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduce 3 New Members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief introductions were made and everyone discussed what they would like to see the SICC accomplish within this next year. The general consensus is to focus on the SICC goals. Three new members were welcomed into the SICC: Jason Henry, Sarah Woodley, and Caroline Neunzert. 	
9:15 - 10:05	SICC Draft Letter regarding funding - Judy Newman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judy Newman (EC Cares) reached out to Senator Gelser who recommended the SICC send a letter to Legislature regarding their concerns for the lack of funding for EI/ECSE programs. Judy handed out a draft concept letter discussing the chain of events that occurred with this funding and asked the group for feedback. The SICC did not have a dedicated lobbyist for EI/ECSE during Legislative Session this past year; however Cassandra Trout and Kerry White provided 	

		<p>some advocacy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ EI/ECSE was anticipating an additional \$10 million dollar package for the 2015-17 biennium and only received \$4.5 million with \$500,000 set aside for addressing the needs of children found ineligible for EI/ECSE services. ➤ Judy said she will bring the letter to the EI/ECSE contractors for feedback and will gather data from ecWeb. The Children’s Institute is in support of this letter and will partner with the SICC. ➤ The following recommendations to include in the letter of support were given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Parents should provide feedback, showing how their families are impacted directly by EI/ECSE services. ➤ Expand Head Start or Mixed Delivery Preschools to impact children before kindergarten. ➤ It was expressed that children in EI/ECSE needs to be a part of early learning. Equity is what is needed to move forward which is different for each child. ➤ Services are mandated - there are no wait lists, children are identified and then receive services. ➤ If anyone has anything else they would need to add, please send to Judy Newman at jrtn@uoregon.edu. ➤ Judy will draft the letter, pull data from contractors, then get the draft out to SICC members. ➤ It was recommended that having multiple letters of support from multiple groups would have more of an impact. Leslie Sutton has recommended multiple letters in the past. Judy Newman will follow up with Senator Gelser regarding this. 	
10:05 - 10:15	<p>Regular Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Letter of Invitation - ODE ▪ Announcements ▪ Review Agenda ▪ Review/Approve Meeting Minutes - June 2015 ▪ Public Commentary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The letter of invitation from the Department of Education (ODE) outlining expenses ODE will reimburse for, the 2015-16 SICC calendar, and updated expense claim forms were briefly discussed. If anyone has any questions regarding this, please contact Mindy Cordsen at mindy.cordsen@state.or.us. ➤ Jennifer Cooper McMullen, SICC member, moved to accept the SICC June 2015 meeting minutes. Carol Moore, SICC member, seconded the motion. SICC June 2015 meeting minutes were approved as is. ➤ No Public Commentary was given. ➤ The Dispute Resolution Committee (DRC) requires a member from the SICC. If anyone is interested, please contact John English with the Dept. of Education at john.english@state.or.us. 	

10:15 - 10:35	Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities Questionnaire - Cassandra Trout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Cassandra handed out a questionnaire for the Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD Council) for SICCC members to provide feedback. Cassandra will notate the important pieces discussed and will report it back to Leslie Sutton. ➤ A discussion ensued regarding the Questionnaire. ➤ The DD Council wants to know what the SICCC's priorities are and to provide support for these priorities. ➤ The following recommendations were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Make services more accessible and available to children and families. ▪ Focus on the SICCC's goals (1 through 4) and have a dedicated EI/ECSE presence for advocacy during Legislative Sessions. ▪ Intertwining the SICCC goals and priorities with the DD Council priorities. ▪ Inclusion should be added along with the health component piece. ▪ If anyone has any more feedback or recommendations, please send them to Cassandra Trout at charper1@uoregon.edu. 	
10:35 - 10:55	Preschool Mixed Delivery System & Early Learning Standards & Alignment Updates - Kara Williams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Kara Williams, PreK-3rd Grade Coordinator, with the Oregon Dept. of Education gave a brief update regarding the work being done with preschool mixed delivery system and the early learning standards and alignment work. ➤ The standards and alignment workgroup has been meeting in person bi-monthly and having conference calls during the months they do not meet in person. The group has done a tremendous amount of work aligning the common core standards to the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework. Stakeholders throughout the entire state have participated. The projected release of these standards is Spring 2016. ➤ If anyone has any questions, please contact Kara at Kara.Williams@state.or.us. 	
10:55 - 11:15	EI/ECSE Funding - Nancy Johnson-Dorn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Nancy Johnson-Dorn (ODE) spoke about EI/ECSE funding. There have been many requests for data pertaining to EI/ECSE service levels. ➤ Nancy gave a brief explanation on how budgets are built based on current service level (CSL). The amount of money received the previous biennium, plus a percentage for inflation. Nancy did a comparison from 2003 up and the amount allocated per child has only grown by 5% and teachers grew by 28%. EI/ECSE does not have a waiting list and is responsible for providing services as soon as a child is identified. ➤ ODE collects data every month from programs. The 	

		<p>numbers of kids in EI/ECSE program grows throughout the year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ There are advocates that want to help and many who are supportive. 	
11:15 - 11:40	EI/ECSE Summer Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ This past summer an EI/ECSE Summer Institute was held in partnership with David Douglas School District and held at one of their schools. ➤ Kindergarten teachers, EI/ECSE providers, Oregon HS pre-kindergarten teachers, and preschool teachers participated. ➤ EI/ECSE partners are interested in continuing this work. This next year a committee will be formed to plan for Summer 2016. 	
11:48 - 11:55	Parent Leadership Updates - Nancy Johnson-Dorn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Nancy had spoken with the Head Start Association about parent leadership and partnering with them. ➤ Head Start Leadership Conference will be held in Salem in January 2016. The group will let Local Interagency Coordinating Council's (LICC's) know about this opportunity. ODE provides LICC's with a small amount of funding to help offset costs for parents to participate conferences like this. 	
11:40 - 10:45	SICC Bylaws Revision - Nancy Johnson-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The group reviewed the revised SICC Bylaws. Nancy (ODE) discussed the updates that were made to ensure the Bylaws are easier to read. ➤ The Bylaws were reviewed by the SICC executive committee and will be sent to the Governor's Legal Counsel Office for final approval. 	
11:45 - 11:48	ODE Updates - Nancy Johnson-Dorn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ ODE has undergone many changes recently. Nancy (ODE) gave us a brief update on the management changes that have occurred. Rob Saxton, Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, will be the new Superintendent of Northwest Regional ESD. Salam Noor is ODE's new Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction. Assistant Superintendents Doug Kosty and Jim Carlile under the office of Instruction, Standards, Assessment, & Accountability Unit have left ODE and positions will be filled on an interim basis. 	
11:55 - 12:25	Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Grant and Race to the Top Grant - Kerry Norton and Dr. Sheri Alderman, Oregon Health Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) Project Coordinator (Kerry Norton) spoke about the child wellbeing team that was established in 2014 and housed within the Maternal Health section with a focus on children and families. It's funded through the ECCS and race to the top grant. ➤ The ECCS grant is a federal grant focused on health through integrations with a focus on integrating systems of care for children birth to three. Increase development screening of young children - Race To the Top project 5. ➤ Child Development coordinator's (Dr. Sherri Alderman) core responsibility is to bridge health and 	

		<p>early learning focusing on developmental screening. RTT is housed in the ELD and collaborates with the ECCS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dr. Alderman gave a brief description of goal number 5 in the RTT. Work aligns with the CCOs developmental screening metric, Early Learning Hub metric and QRIS. ➤ Workforce development that's sustainable beyond the grant. Developed training for using the ASQ with the University of Oregon and Portland State University - use this to implement the screening. ➤ The curriculum is now within the registry. How to implement the ASQ in the way it was intended in partnership with the parents and how to talk with parents about their child's development. How to interpret results and options for recommending referrals. They encourage taking the ASQ results back to their medical provider. ➤ Next steps are addressing the needs around Social Emotional development. The goal is to develop a curriculum and continue work on health collaboration. ➤ The curriculums are being translated into Spanish and some master trainers are providing trainings in Spanish. ➤ The curriculum was designed to be engaging and accommodating for parents with children with disabilities. 	
11:30 - 12:00	LICC Retreat Follow Up and Updates - SICCC Executive Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The LICC Retreat is scheduled for October 16, 2015 in Bend, OR. The SICCC Executive Committee is still forming the agenda and topic items for the retreat. They are also working on forming a panel to talk about the different Early Learning Hubs through the state. 	
12:35	Meeting Wrap Up/Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 	