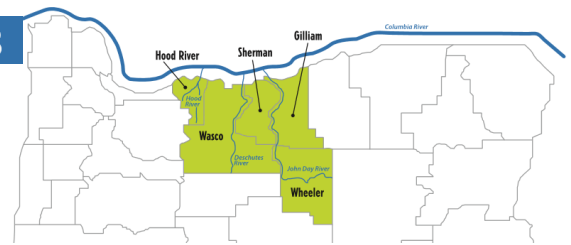


# FOUR RIVERS EARLY LEARNING HUB

## RECC Meeting



Monday, March 14, 2016

Noon to 2:00 p.m.

Columbia Gorge ESD

### Present

Nancey Patten, Child Care Partners

Steve Castles, Volunteer

Dana Campbell, The Dalles Wasco County Library

Cassie Whitmire, Hood River EI/ECSE

Amber DeGrange, Sherman County

Terri Vann, Hood River – ECC Chair, Keeping Families Together

Grace Parson, The Next Door

Courtney Gallant, Haven

Tori Vaughn, CGESD EI/ECSE, Migrant, Preschool

Cindy Johnson, CGESD

Teddy Fennern, Gilliam County Family Services

Jennifer Bold, Business Director 4RELH – by phone

Brenda Massie, North Sherman Pre-School Inc.

Teri Thalhofer, North Central Public Health Department

Matthew Solomon, Mid-Columbia Children's Council

Christa Rude, 4RELH Coordinator

The coordinator welcomed the group and introductions were made around the room.

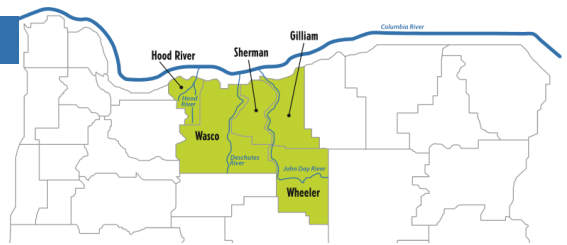
### Structure for the meeting (Collective Impact)

A visual of the process that we are trying to achieve was passed out. It was explained that a Regional Leadership Team was formed to create a Shared Regional Agenda to be used for all of the ECC's in our region. The ECC's would report back to the RECC and the RECC would report to the 4RELH Governance Board.

We are moving toward Collective Impact.

### Call for Additions to the Agenda

No additions were made



## RECC Meeting

### Shared Agenda Report Out

#### a. Creating a Charge

- Add agencies to charge (participating) by county
- What other functions does the charge serve
- What do we want
- Intent? – gives structure and validity to Governance Board

#### Next Steps

- Add people by county
- Add function by county

Do we need an I.A or MOU with other agencies (by county) to get them to the table?

#### b. Participation

- Clean up email list; email other leaders to confirm
- Regional Entities; communicate own efforts to Regional Entity Leaders

The general consensus is that there are agencies missing from these meetings.

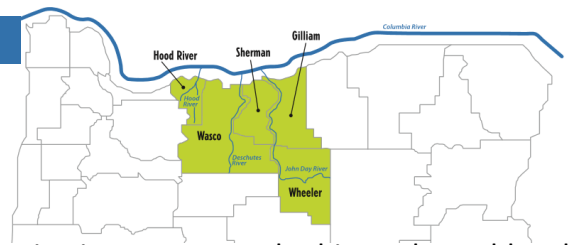
- DHS
- CCO's
- School Districts
- Medical Community
- Businesses

The Leadership Team will look at making meetings specific to the agencies we want to include.

### Coordination/Communication Specialist

A discussion was held on the need for one person to coordinate and attend all of the ECC meetings. Chairs are currently doing everything. Do we put dollars into ECC meetings? Is it a waste of money or worth the consistency?

- Coordinate ECC Meetings to
  - Be Agenda Specific
  - Time/Locations – Parents/Child Care K-3
- Attend all ECC Meetings
- Capture Post/Minutes
- Post online / internet
- Facebook Maintenance
- Texting for Family/Our Ids Network
- Maintain Format (consistent)
- Counties and Functions Online (Attendees)
- Recruit Missing Links
- Communications/Logistics
- ECC/RECC



Goal of Hub is coordinated and aligned service work. Investing in a person to do this work would make all of our work more streamlined.

### c. Engaging Parents

- Go to where parents are
  - Head Start
  - Library
  - Schools
  - Wonderworks
  - Preschool
  - Child Care
  - Facebook
- Survey – online (short) {Through Apps; Google; Grandparents}
- Boot Camp
- Catchy Name (Our Kids Parents – Parents 4RELH)
- Social Set
- Test – Parent Info
- Robo Calls/Flash Alert
- Social Media
- Monthly Calendar and everyday learning activities
- 211

### d. Our Kids Toolkit: Questions for Parents

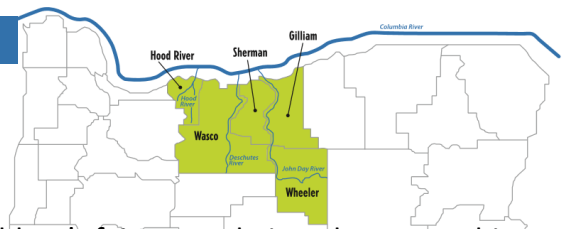
- Parent involved in designing
  - Doctor's
  - Dentist's
- Good Marketing Appeal
  - Care in messaging; avoid tracking
- Multiple Distribution Sites – software that says who received
- Dad's/Breast Feeding
- Tips & Tricks
- Video: How to engage at various ages – Literacy

### Additional Agenda Items

#### a. Community Health Survey – Parent Focused

- Number of questions is limited
- Mailed as a random sample across a broad region
- Meets needs of two hospitals and public health departments
- Health survey every three years

What data from this survey would be useful to us?



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### b. Children's Fair

Wasco, Gilliam and Sherman counties all have children's fairs. Hood River does something different.

Does there need to be alignment?

Wasco County's Children Fair is scheduled for May 21 from 10:00 to 2:00 at the City Park.

- Activities for kids
- Things to take home
- Culturally diverse entertainment

Is there value in a theme across the region? With money, could it go further?

### c. Location for this meeting and lunch options

The general consensus is that today's space is good and everyone is happy to bring their own lunch.

### Recommend

- Add to Shared Agenda
  - Data Sharing
  - Partnering with DHS
  - 211 – local accountability; what does it look like?
  - Data from AAA RE: Grandparents

Information from this meeting will be reported to the Governance Board at the next meeting on March 29.