

# EHDI Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

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<b>Meeting Date:</b>	January 15, 2015
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	9:00 am to noon
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	Tucker-Maxon School
<b>Meeting Purpose:</b>	The purpose of this meeting is for planning coordination and collaboration.
<b>Regular Attendees:</b>	EHDI Advisory Committee and EHDI Staff
<b>Attendees:</b>	<p><b>(Members)</b> Pam Fortier, Heather Durham, Chad Ludwig, Ginna Oliver, Victoria Keetay, Denise Kossover-Wechter, Anne Heassler, Henry Milczuk, Eleni Boston, Nancy Ford, Cindy Kollofski, Anne Smyth, Eleni Boston, Jennifer Cooper, Sheevaun Khaki, Claudia Meyer, Caroline Neunzert, Christi Sperry</p> <p><b>(OHA Staff)</b> Claudia Bingham, Julie Hass, Ben Spencer, Shelby Atwill, Heather Morrow-Almeida, Helen Cotton Leiser, Dina Dickerson</p> <p><b>(Guests)</b> Glen Gilbert (Tucker-Maxon), Jaci Derosso (Portland State University), Jennifer Lootens (Washington ESD 112), Kate Chanlou (Pacific University), Nikki Hinsley (Tucker-Maxon), Rachel Stanziola (OHSU), Shava Feinstein (Columbia Regional Program), Linda Goodwin (Tucker-Maxon)</p>

Updates	Contact

Agenda Item, objective and background information	Time
<p><b>1) Welcome – Glen Gilbert and Tucker-Maxon Students</b></p> <p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Tucker-Maxon Executive Director Glen Gilbert welcomed committee members to the school and students gave a vocal performance.</p>	<b>9:00-9:20</b>
<p><b>2) Introductions, Review of Minutes, New Business – Pam Fortier</b></p> <p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Committee Chair Pam Fortier called the meeting to order. Attendees introduced themselves.</p> <p>The committee reviewed the October 23, 2014 minutes. No changes were made.</p>	<b>9:20-9:30</b>
<p><b>3) Quarterly Data Report &amp; Discussion of LFU – Shelby Atwill</b></p> <p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Shelby Atwill gave the quarterly data update (document <a href="#">here</a>).</p> <p>Efforts in late 2014 to clean up 2013 data and perform follow-up with providers and parents have reduced the initial 2013 LFU rate by about 25%.</p>	<b>9:30-9:50</b>
<p><b>4) Regional Services Update – Members</b></p> <p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Cindy Kollofski reported that Columbia Regional Program is still working with the Department of Education to continue funding of audiology services for ages birth to five.</p>	<b>9:50-10:00</b>

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<p>Oregon City and Portland Public Schools have bought in to audiology services for school-age children enrolled in Columbia Regional Program. Two additional districts have bought in to services through Willamette ESD. Funding for these services is on a year-to-year basis.</p> <p>Heather Morrow-Almeida is working on inviting a representative from the state Regional Services Program for an update at the Advisory Committee meeting in April. An update on services in the Eugene area was requested.</p>	
<p><b>5) Parent Support / Guide By Your Side Update – Helen Cotton Leiser</b></p>	<p><b>10:00-10:15</b></p>
<p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Helen Cotton Leiser gave an update and overview of the Guide By Your Side program (document <a href="#">here</a>).</p>	
<p><b>6) EHDI Team Report &amp; Legislative Report– Heather Morrow-Almeida</b></p>	<p><b>10:15-10:30</b></p>
<p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Heather Morrow-Almeida went over the EHDI Program Report (document <a href="#">here</a>) and the EHDI Legislative Executive Summary (document <a href="#">here</a>).</p>	
<p><b>7) Break and Networking</b></p>	<p><b>10:30-10:45</b></p>
<p><b>8) Update &amp; Recommendations re: DHH Educator Training – Members</b></p>	<p><b>10:45-11:05</b></p>
<p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Eleni Boston described the current Western Oregon University curriculum for their Teacher of the Deaf program. The two-year program, developed by Patrick Graham, would cover K-12 education and adhere to Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission guidelines.</p> <p>Committee members voiced concerns that the program does not cover EI education and that there is a lack of focus on listening and spoken language, as well as audiology and technology.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding an interdisciplinary summer institute for those currently working with deaf and hard of hearing children.</p> <p><b>Action Item:</b> Invite Dr. Graham to become a committee member.  <b>Action Item:</b> Follow up with Dr. Graham re: addressing concerns about curriculum (EI, spoken language, audiology).  <b>Action Item:</b> Subcommittee to identify next steps.</p>	
<p><b>9) Day at the Capitol Planning – Anne Heassler</b></p>	<p><b>11:05-11:25</b></p>
<p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Anne Heassler and a group of students will have a legislative day on May 26. Topics brought up by committee members included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a hearing aid loaner bank</li> <li>• insurance barriers</li> <li>• school-aged screenings</li> <li>• streamlining OHA</li> <li>• EHDI data</li> </ul>	

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Committee members were encouraged to share further ideas with Anne.	
<b>10) Summary of Early Interventions Outcomes Webinar – EHD Team</b>	<b>11:25-11:45</b>
<p><b>Discussion &amp; action steps:</b></p> <p>Tabled due to lack of time.</p>	
<b>11) Other Business, Next Meeting Details, Close of Meeting – Pam Fortier</b>	<b>11:45-noon</b>
<p>Chad Ludwig updated the committee on Senate Bill 4449, which would create a permanent Office for Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing Services housed in the Department of Human Services. An amendment will be added on January 20, at which point it will be SB 4449A. There will be a formal legislative day on April 27 and a town hall-style meeting on January 17 from 6:30 to 8:30 at PSU.</p> <p>Tentative meeting dates and locations:</p> <p>April 16, 2015 – Portland State Office Building            July 16, 2015 – Portland State Office Building            October 15, 2015 – Portland State Office Building</p>	
<b>Items for future meetings:</b>	