

SUN Service System Coordinating Council Meeting

March 5, 2010
8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

MEETING NOTES

Attendance

Members Present: Joanne Fuller (Co-Chair), Bill Scott (Co-Chair), Lisa Turpel, Krista Larson, Barbara Kienle, Lisa Pellegrino, Kirubiel Ayele, Cliff Brush, Gloria Wiggins, Joshua Todd, Kali Ladd, Rhys Scholes, Gloria Wiggins

Also Attending: Maxine Thompson (Alt), Pat Burk, Hector Roche, Diana Hall (Alt), Peggy Samolinski (Alt), Linda Castillo, Linda Magnuson

Alt = alternate member

Updates

- Diana announced the upcoming Education Summits that the Education Cabinet is hosting on April 10th and 12th. The event on the 10th is structured as a Town Hall and focused on community, parents and teachers. She will send details out via email. All are encouraged to attend and invite others.
- Joanne shared the outcome of the meeting she and Bill had with Sandy McDonough. Sandy was very positive about SUN. The meeting crystallized the need for the Council to discuss the structure of the Every School a SUN Community School dialogue because there are some high level folks interested in the conversation and who could be engaged in planning. Sandy was very willing to help us create better connections between businesses and SUN.

Letter Review

The Council reviewed the draft letter to elected sponsors encouraging their sustained funding and support of the SUN collaboration. A few revisions to the list of Council members and the letter were identified. In terms of timing, the next month or so seemed to be soon enough for the letter to go out to school districts and County Commissioners. There was more urgency to get letters out to City Commissioners in the next week or so.

Action Steps

- *County SUN/DCHS staff will get letters finalized and out to City in next week. Letters to school boards and County leaders will go out in the next month or so.*

SUN High School Workgroup Recommendations

Diana distributed the *SUN High School Workgroup Recommendations and Items for Input* document and shared some context to the recommendation, including a couple of assumptions that workgroup operated under. The Workgroup is asking for the Council's decision as to whether this is the set of core services the Council would like to move forward as those that should be ensured at every SUN CS high school. The Council discussed the recommendations for core set of services for every SUN CS high school site and for partnership commitments for all SUN CS sites. Discussion and questions included the following:

- Some difficulty in understanding the list as in addition to current work. Need to consider these lists in the context of existing SUN CS model and agreements – layer this additional detail on the foundational work so it doesn't seem to be the entirety of what happens at SUN or how SUN CS operate.
- Check this list against the Multnomah Youth Commission input on core services from the last round of prioritization of services.

- Look at PPS recent press release on high school redesign to see the curriculum and other elements PPS has defined as core at each community comprehensive high school.
- The Programming Resources item needs a better title and more explanation. The other items are clear in meaning from the titles.
- Call out youth development, engagement and leadership. There is significant need for engagement at high schools and training for staff that is different than at other levels.
- It's important that out of school time supports are close linked to the regular school day efforts
- Question about whether there should be different levels of funding for sites based on size or need. This is a larger question for the System around SUN CS and should be discussed in the near future. Suggestion that both size and need be considered.
- Need to make sure that we are collecting data that allows us to align and measure common outcomes, including continuation on to higher education.

Overall, the Council indicated that it was in agreement with the list and comfortable moving it forward. The Workgroup is working on defining what capacity, depth and resources would be needed to ensure the core level of the services on the list and will be bringing that back to the Council for a final decision at a future meeting. The Workgroup meeting scheduled for the afternoon of March 5th has been rescheduled for March 12th from 9-11am. Another issue that will need to be discussed by the Council related to this work is the recommended balance of expansion and enhancement of SUN CS services.

Action Steps

- *County SUN Staff will incorporate Council input, suggest a way to layer/connect this recommendation with the broader SUN model and clarify that this list is further refinement and commitments for high school sites.*
- *Ensure that the question of allocation level as it relates to school size (enrollment) and need gets tracked and re-introduced in the next few months.*

Social and Support Services for Educational Success Program Overview

The Council heard the first of a series of program presentations designed to increase Council knowledge of the services within the SUN Service System and deepen discussion of outcomes. Krista, Gloria and Diana offered an overview of Social and Support Services for Educational Success (SSSES) and specific examples of regional and culturally-specific strategies and successes. SSSES are year-round, school-linked supports to youth who are at risk of academic failure and dropping out of school. These youth have multiple significant challenges that need to be taken into account when considering the meaning of outcomes. Gloria and Krista identified the value of SSSES in particular within the SUN Service System to be that SSSES are the part that focuses on older youth with the highest levels of need, the ones that are on their way out the door of schools. For youth of color, they are facing all the challenges that poor children face plus cultural issues. Both parents and youth need someone who looks like them and who they can identify with in order to be successful. Linda Magnuson, DCHS/SUN evaluator, then redistributed the data and outcomes for SSSES and led a conversation with the Council. Council questions included:

- What is the connection between SSSES and mental health consultants? SSSES have connections to mental health consultants, but there is an issue of capacity. There are not enough consultants to handle the level of need in the County
- How many youth earned the average # of credits (5)? This would be important to know.

P20 Progress Update and Discussion

Maxine and Pat Burk from PSU offered a progress update on P20. Maxine opened the presentation by sharing a PowerPoint describing how partners locally are testing a model based on the STRIVE model from Cincinnati. The theory of change model is built on a strong partnership with an urban university. In our case, PSU is providing strong leadership and support for the effort. PSU and Leaders Roundtable are leading the development phase. Maxine and Pat clarified that is not an attempt to put another player in the mix of education and social support providers, but rather an effort to put some structure around how players come

together toward shared goals for youth. What they anticipate would be different with the P20 framework is the following:

- Consensus on key indicators as a community and ways to gather and analyze those measures
- Partners and players would work better and more collaboratively to impact key indicators
- Everyone in an arena would have a sense of how they contribute to the shared outcomes

Discussion and questions included:

- Is this effort currently limited to Multnomah County? Yes, currently it is since it is being pursued due to interest out of LRT and PSU (which hopes to transform its relationship with K-12). This could be a tri-county effort eventually

The Council was interested in discussing P20 further and invited Pat to join the April meeting.

Next Meeting

Kirubiel offered to host the April Council meeting at Roosevelt so Council members could visit a SUN CS site and be out in the community. Council members were eager to meet at Roosevelt and SUN staff will work with Kirubiel to make arrangements.

Upcoming Council and Workgroup Meeting Dates/Times:

Coordinating Council: Friday, April 2, 2010 8:30-10:30 a.m. Roosevelt High School 6941 N Central St. Portland, OR	SUN High School Workgroup Meeting #4: Friday, March 26, 2010 8:30-10:00am Multnomah Building, Room 112 (501 SE Hawthorne	Experimental Expansion: TBA	
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Future Coordinating Council Meetings: (All are from 8:30-10:30 a.m.)

- **Fri. April 2, 2010**
- **Fri. May 7, 2010**
- **Fri. June 4, 2010**
- **Fri. July 2, 2010**