

SUN™ Service System Coordinating Council Meeting

June 6, 2014
8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

MEETING NOTES

Attendance

Members Present: Bill Scott (Co-Chair), Eileen Argentina, Lee Po Cha, Molly Day, Gerald Deloney, Rene Duboise, James Hiu, Tony Hopson, KaRin Johnson, Kathy Keim-Robinson, Lisa Pellegrino, Pat Ryan, Nate Waas Shull

Also Attending: Matthew Bartolotti, Rachel Spigal, Nabil Zaghloul, Diana Hall, Lisa Kulkarni, Peggy Samolinski, Carol Vaughn, Jill Weir, Diana Hall

Introductions/Updates/Announcements

Bill Scott welcomed everyone. Molly Day, new alternate SUN Council representative from United Way, is joining us for the first time today.

Communities Supporting Youth Collaborative

- The Collaborative is continuing to meet monthly and move the work forward
- The demonstration sites shared their strategies, results, and identified needs at a year-end meeting in May
- A May muffin incentive at David Douglas High School markedly improved attendance
- No new demonstration sites will be added in SY14-15; expansion is planned for SY 15-16. Several school districts are expanding the protocols, but not full demonstration model to new schools in the coming school year, however.

Hedy Chang Visit

Hedy Chang presented to 170 people at the SUN Community School end of year meeting May 28. She also did a consultation for Communities Supporting Youth demonstration sites. SUN Council members will have an opportunity to consult with Ms. Chang when she returns to Portland in November 2014.

SSSES Funding Issue

The organizational split of the Oregon Commission on Children and Families (OCCF) into the Oregon Youth Development Council and the Early Learning Council is presenting funding uncertainty for SSSES. The SSSES program has received \$302,000 from the OCCF in past years. The new Youth Development Council is allocating funding via a new grant process; we are writing two proposals to continue the SSSES funding, but there is a risk we will not get the full \$302,000.

FY14-15 Budget

Bill asked Council members to provide a budget update from their organization.

- Eileen Argentina reports that the SUN Community School joint proposal has been accepted: the new city money will be in the Parks budget
- Lisa noted the Portland Children's Levy has made its allocations; 5 new SUN sites were funded. The Levy is funding hunger programs for the first time
- Kathy Keim-Robinson reports that the Parkrose budget has passed; SUN funding is the same and furlough days have been restored

- James Hiu reports a stable budget with continued SUN school support and a restoration of furlough days in Gresham Barlow
- Peggy Samolinski noted that the SUN Community School joint proposal was adopted by the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners. Additionally, the Commission allocated \$200,000 for attendance workers and \$200,000 for new hunger projects. The Early Kindergarten transitions work will sustain and grow with a \$170,000 allocation
- Diana reported that the other school districts are on course with their budgets

Two discussion points were made after the budget reports:

- The David Douglas attendance model is being used as a basis for the new attendance case workers; having someone who can do more in-depth work with families dealing with complex problems. Portland Public, David Douglas and Centennial will be the sites of the new attendance workers
- New hunger projects are emphasizing fresh and healthy foods like growing gardens and food shares

Allocation Workgroup Proposal

Lisa Pellegrino used a Power Point presentation (attached) to update the Council on the work to date and preliminary recommendation on the reconfiguration of the regions. She highlighted these considerations in revising the regions:

- Ideally, regions have the same number of kids in need
- Geographical access to services is important
- Race/ethnicity is combined with poverty to determine kids in need
- Free and reduced lunch numbers are the best measure of poverty
- Consider where kids aged 0-5 live, these are future growth areas
- Multnomah County has a rule that limits contracting more than 40% of a line of business to one entity

Lisa displayed and described a draft map of a potential new regional structure with five regions. A table below the map lists the high school catchments for each region. The workgroup considered moving the Grant High School catchment from Region 2 to Region 1; this met with significant objection and was rejected.

These question/discussion points followed:

- We may need to review demographic data more frequently given the pace of change
- Grant should remain in Region 2 in order to best serve the kids of color there
- Grant should be in the same region as its feeder schools
- Westside Region 1 highlights the conflict between geographic access and allocation based on numbers of kids in need
- Students of Benson and alternative schools were counted in the region of their home address
- The regional system is primarily an organizing or administrative structure, as the individual services/programs each have a separate allocation methodology.
- Regional boundaries do not affect the number or location of SUN Community Schools

Lisa presented more information on the work to date. The group will next be considering allocation formulas. They want to take a look at the implications of using different allocation methods. She noted that SUN has different allocation methods for different services (e.g. Parent Child Services (PCS) funds are allocated based on areas with more kids age 0-5).

These question/discussion points followed:

- The chart showing percentages of children in need by region should be used for resource allocation

- The County rule on limiting a single contractors percentage of a line of business should not preclude service to children needing culturally specific services; we need to build capacity in multiple organizations
- Minimum funding for each region would result in a slight over funding of Region 1 based on numbers of kids in need
- It is important to get providers perspective on allocation methods

The Allocation Workgroup will have a final meeting. Staff will then prepare a formal recommendation for the Council to consider.

Long Term SUN Model Development Process

Bill referred to the handout *SUN Community Schools Long-Term Model Development Team Draft Recommendation to SUN Sponsors* (attached). This document is based on input from the May Council meeting and a follow up meeting May 23 with interested Council members. It describes the purpose, scope of work, potential activities, and team membership in a development process. After gathering Council member feedback on this today, we will revise it and present it at the June 16 SUN Sponsors meeting.

The overarching purpose of the recommended work is to help move the Sponsors to a consensus on how to grow SUN. While we have been successful growing the number of SUN sites (and now have the top half of the equity index established as SUN schools), we have not adequately described necessary or adequate depth of service. This recommendation emphasizes exploration of depth of service. Once the SUN Sponsors come to a common understanding of minimal/ideal depth of service, they can begin to pursue opportunities to add or integrate needed programs/services.

A discussion ensued and included the following points:

- Yes, we need to focus on depth; this is overdue
- We could “unpack” two SUN schools as an example: what services and programs does each have? Are the programs and services from SUN allocations and contracts or add ons?
- Need to engage nonprofits that work in schools but are not associated with SUN (e.g. Playworks)
- What indexes do other stakeholders use in their allocation processes?
- Incorporate the phrases “system alignment” and “collective impact” to the recommendation
- Add CCOs as partners to engage. The new healthcare law should hold opportunities for more health care in SUN Schools without additional cost

NEXT STEPS

- ***SUN staff will revise the Long-Term Model Development Recommendation to SUN Sponsors and present it at the June 16 Sponsors meeting***

Upcoming Council Meeting Dates/Times:

Next Coordinating Council Meeting:

Friday, July 11, 2014
8:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Multnomah Building, 112
501 SE Hawthorne, 1st floor

Communities Supporting Youth Collaborative

Friday, June 20, 2014
8:00 am Newcomer orientation
8:30-10:30 a.m.
Concordia University, GRW Library, room 314

Future Coordinating Council Meetings*:

(*All are from 8:30-10:30 a.m. unless noted otherwise)

Friday August 1, Room 112
Friday September 5, Room 112

Every School a SUN CS Workgroup

Group is on hiatus pending sponsor conversations about sustainability and expansion