

**Alliance
Executive Committee Meeting**

Monday, April 3, 2023

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

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Committee Members: Chair Galli Murray, Co-Chair Charlette Lumby, Angela Perry, Claire Kille, Deb Darmata, Donna-Marie Drucker, Gordon Clay, John Seeley, Justin Potts, Kirk Wolfe, Liz Schwarz, Meghan Crane, Pam Pearce, Shanda Hochstetler, Taylor Chambers

Committee Members not in Attendance: Don Erickson, Elissa Adair, Jill Baker, Laura Rose Misaras, Sandy Bumpus

Staff in Attendance: Annette Marcus (Alliance), Jennifer Fraga (Alliance)

Guests: Jonathan Hankins (Lines for Life)

Our Mission

The Alliance advocates and works to inform and strengthen Oregon's suicide prevention, intervention and postvention policies, services and supports to prevent youth and young adults from dying by suicide.

Our Vision

In Oregon all young people have hope, feel safe asking for help, can find access to the right help at the right time to prevent suicide, and live in communities that foster healing, connection, and wellness.

Equity Statement

To achieve our vision, we acknowledge the impact of white supremacy, institutionalized racism, and all forms of oppression. The Alliance endeavors to make Oregon a place where suicide reduction and prevention is achieved for people of all ages, races, ethnicities, abilities, gender identities, sexual orientations, socioeconomic status, nationalities and geographic locations.

Time	Agenda Item	What / Update
2:30	<p>Welcome, Announcements, Consent Agenda Galli Murray</p>	<p>Future Executive meetings that need to be rescheduled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - July 3rd – holiday → July 10th - September 4th – holiday → September 11th - November 6th – OSPC → November 13th - January 1st – holiday → January 8th <p>ACTION ITEM: Jenn will update meeting invites for these meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annette asks to move September Quarterly 8th → 15th as a hybrid meeting, with in person portion taking place in Bend <p>ACTION ITEM: information about the mobile crisis response training academy will be sent out when finalized. Stay tuned for more information!</p> <p>March minutes comments: Currently it reads that Lines for Life has a guaranteed slot on the Executive that Leslie Golden filled. However, Leslie filled a member at large position on Executive. Each organization can only have one official voting member and Leslie was the one voting member for Lines for Life.</p> <p>Proposed change: Leslie Golden is no longer with Lines for Life. Jonathan Hankins is sitting in today for her while we figure out a longer-term plan for her role on the Executive.</p> <p>Justin Potts moves to approve minutes with above amendment. John Seeley seconds. Minutes / consent agenda approved.</p>
2:40	<p>Alliance Project Tracker Review</p>	<p>Updated tracker with this calendar year initiatives entered is on the Alliance website here.</p> <p>Tracker will not be reviewed today but can be looked at through above link. If you have questions, email Jenn or Annette.</p>
2:50	<p>Group Process Discussion</p>	<p>Quarterly meeting feedback: Annette has heard that speakers have been very distracted by what is happening in the chat during meetings while they are talking. Annette wants to talk with this group about how we can address this. She doesn't want to shut the chat down as networking happens and also she has heard</p>

multiple times that both presenters and attendees are distracted by things in the chat.

Additional feedback given:

- Sometimes the chat can cover the PowerPoint for speakers.
- Attendees distracted by comments. Often comments are for individuals and not questions for the presenter. They worry about people not being able to fully listen to the speakers.
- It was brought up that, if we were in person, there wouldn't be crosstalk, no jokes, etc.
- Sometimes adding to the chat can be how folks are able to contribute / engage in the presentation. Is there a way to have a separate line of chat for people that is outside of the main chat.
- You can't disable chat for just part of the meeting. It's either on for the whole meeting or none of it.

Suggestion from group:

- Turn off chat during presentation but have Q&A on. Staff would be able to adjust this if the group would like to do this.
- Ask the presenter about their preference – do you want questions in the chat while you present or would you like questions to be only given at the end?
- Have chat available at beginning of meeting but turn off during presentation.
- Create Slackline
- Setup ground rules for attendees around the chat to not utilize it except for things directly related to the presentation

Next Steps:

- Prior to presentation, Staff will work with the presenter about their preference – do you want questions in the chat while you present or would you like questions to be only given at the end? Are you okay to have people add comments or just questions?

If the presenter is okay with questions during the chat, feel free to add those.

Other than that, other comments shouldn't be in the chat unless it is a direct message to someone.

		<p>Questions on meeting facilitator role – in a situation where it’s clear that people are upset and having a hard time, is there something that you would like the facilitator to do?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would you like the facilitator to cut off the presentation, ask for a pause and allow the group to process what’s going on? - Let the presentation continue as is. <p>Feedback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If someone is scheduled to present, we should let them present. If we need time to process / provide feedback after, then schedule that but don’t stop the presentation. - The only time we should stop a meeting is when it is becoming unsafe – such as unsafe messaging, language, etc. The subject matter itself shouldn’t be cause to stop a meeting. Always provide a warning about subject for people to know what will be discussed and that it could be activating. - Be careful with naming spaces (safe space, brave space, etc.) - Hope is to be a group of people that challenge people with difficult topics / subjects. Consider making a structure for difficult conversations. What does that look like? When would a meeting be shut down? How do we facilitate a difficult conversation where people feel they have a voice and people feel they have space to talk about the subject and say that it doesn’t feel okay to them in that setting? - Have a planned quick break or debrief to ground ourselves and offer to check-in with the audience would be good. People do need reminders that we enter that space to learn from one another and bring our best selves AND we can still express when things aren't sitting well for us. <p>Continue to have support people available at future quarterly meetings. We work in suicide which itself is a difficult topic and we want to be able to provide support for others.</p>
<p>3:15</p>	<p>Youth Subcontract Update</p>	<p>\$14,500/year to subcontract with youth serving agency. NAFY discussion.</p> <p>We previously had an ongoing relationship with Youth Era who had a half-time staff that worked with a youth on youth engagement. This contract has not been active with OHA for more than a year and noticed that youth engagement has slowed within the Alliance.</p>

		<p>Galli and Jenn met with New Avenues for Youth (NAFY) to talk about potentially being our contract organization for youth engagement. NAFY has broad programs and supports for youth and young adults available.</p> <p>Information about NAFY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NAFY around for over 25 years - Mostly operate in Portland metro with Clackamas and Multnomah. Recently expanded to east Multnomah County. Starting engagement in Eastern Oregon. - Youth Action / Advisory Boards internally - Support ages 9-25 <p>Galli asked if OHA would be willing to have the \$29,000 for one-year as a pilot program to determine if NAFY would be the organization we could do this work with moving forward. Shanda thinks that we would be able to access all funding for year one.</p> <p>Gordon asked what we would do year two if this pilot program is successful. Halfway through the year we would talk about what we should do for next steps whether or not it is successful.</p> <p>Galli would like NAFY to be engaging with other youth serving organizations across the state.</p>
<p>3:25</p>	<p>Committee Tasks</p>	<p>Request from Equity Advisory:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Equity Advisory would like to know how they can best help Alliance Committees. - Galli – Equity Screening Tool, do we want to push on our committees to be using this framework? Can the advisory provide technical assistance around this? - DM – Lethal Means Committee. Could someone come to a committee meeting and help us look through our strategic plan and see if our initiatives are equitable? Not through every one but start with one or two and help us through that. - Justin – Policy Agenda, can we have this go through the framework in the future? - Liz – Transitions of Care, as we start to expand our work and focus, we can look at the framework. Have it presented to the committee, get feedback, and make sure the framework guides our work moving forward.

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		<p>Angela said that next steps for the Equity Advisory: finalize the framework.</p> <p>Galli asked if it would be helpful for Equity to make appointments with committees to look at some of their initiatives through the framework.</p> <p>ACTION STEP: Annette & Jenn work with committees around getting to know the framework.</p> <p>Follow-up from Quarterly – Are there any special considerations your committee or the Alliance should take to ensure we are reaching and supporting boys and men?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annette asked if chairs would take this question back to their committees in the next couple months. Justin said yes. Liz said that Transitions of Care is currently looking at where we go next so we can talk about this when we meet next.
3:35	Coalition Grant Update	No updates at this time. Deadline for applications is June 6 th .
3:40	Legislative Update Annette Marcus	<p>Question: Aside from the Alliance’s lead bill (SB 818), which items on our policy agenda do you want staff to prioritize? (Lifespan funding, 988, firearm safety, student survey)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SB 514 (lifespan legislation): the group would love to prioritize this bill and also due to the large fiscal ask, it doesn’t seem like it’ll go through. If it doesn’t get passed, we will continue to strongly advocate for this.
3:50	Membership Application Update	<p>Private insurance update from Justin and Galli</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Justin has a contact with Kaiser who is a Licensed Counselor working in the clinical side of Kaiser. He will let us know if he hears back. - Galli has reached out to her contact a couple times but hasn’t heard back.
	June Quarterly Agenda Annette Marcus	<p>Peer Galaxy</p> <p>Zero Suicide?</p> <p>Data & Evaluation Committee update?</p> <p>Time to complete Alliance Satisfaction Survey</p> <p>Not enough time in meeting. Will be discussed in May meeting.</p>
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