

**Alliance
Executive Committee Meeting**

Monday, October 2, 2023

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

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Committee Members and Affiliates: Co-Chair Charlette Lumby, Claire Kille, Craig Leets, Don Erickson, Gordon Clay, Jill Baker, John Seeley, Jonathan Hankins, Justin Potts, Karen Cellarius, Kirk Wolfe, Laura Rose Misaras, Liz Schwarz, Meghan Crane, Pam Pearce, Shanda Hochstetler, Taylor Chambers

Committee Members not in Attendance: Chair Galli Murray, Angela Perry, Deb Darmata, Kelie McWilliams, Sandy Bumpus

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

Guests: Aaron Townsend, Aditi Khanna, Mary Massey, Siche Green-Mitchell

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, Charlette Lumby</p>	<p>Charlette asked new attendees to introduce themselves and the nominees for Executive shared a little about who they are.</p> <p>Justin motioned to approve September meeting minutes and Don seconded the motion. Minutes passed as is with one abstention.</p> <p>Updated tracker with this calendar year initiatives entered is on the Alliance website here.</p> <p>Update and discussion regarding candidates for exec (since we didn't get to the vote at last quarterly.)</p> <p>I'll have PowerPoint with this information:</p> <p>Filled Exec Positions: Committee Chairs Health – Kirk Wolf Education-John Seeley At large-Gordon Clay Lived Experience – Laura Rose Misaras OHA Team Chairs – Galli Murray and Charlette Lumby</p> <p>Open Positions</p> <p>Youth and Young Adult 2 open Nominees: Aaron Townsend, Aditi Khana, Tanvi Vemulapalli Lived Experience 3 open Nominee: Siche Green-Mitchell At Large 1 open Nominees: Mary Massey and Craig Leets</p> <p>Gordon asked the committee if a definition for who an at-large member could be added to our by-laws as a definition for this does not exist currently.</p> <p>Siche said that having a definition for at-large could be helpful</p>

as when he was applying he didn't know what that meant. It also seems like an institutional term that isn't as accessible for others.

Justin said that in his experience in other boards, at-large wasn't defined and sometimes they would serve as community liaisons or liaisons to other organizations. He thinks it may be a bit of a task to create a definition but that it could be helpful to have a broad definition to describe what that position could look like.

Charlette asked the committee what they think should happen with how to move forward – have competitive voting, change by-laws to have more spots available for at-large, other ideas.

John and Claire wondered if people in the spot could alternate or serve as a proxy in case the other couldn't attend. Jenn shared that this model was used previously for youth positions.

Claire asked to clarify what is meant by competitive voting and Charlette said that it would mean that one person would be voted in and the other wouldn't.

Karen asked if one person could serve for one year and the other person could serve the next year and also fill in if the person couldn't attend.

Justin said that it's important to recognize areas that we haven't had representation before and think about that when deciding on what to do.

Gordon asked if the group thinks it would be helpful to add specific spots for certain stakeholder groups. Gordon went on to share a description of at-large that they are aware of, 'At-large of members that are elected to represent the whole population rather than a subset; a lay person that doesn't have a particular group that they are supporting but are instead looking at the whole picture.'

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		<p>Charlette asked if the group is okay if the options are collected and brought back next meeting to be voted on. There were some agreements to this.</p> <p>Kirk reported that he would like to ask for there to be an expansion in the healthcare provider representation due to the current crisis in the workforce.</p>
2:50	<p>Centering Equity with a discussion of Equity Screen, challenges with budget and youth engagement, and how to center youth of color for next year's initiatives</p>	<p>Equity screen can be found on the Alliance website here.</p> <p>We will discuss the following initiative through an equity lens and update as needed for 2025 long session</p> <p>4.3.1 The Alliance will issue a suicide prevention legislative agenda for the 2023 session with key priorities named.</p> <p>Note: I've pasted currently approved policy agenda below</p>
4:00	<p>Adjourn</p>	



Alliance Staff received recommendations for policy priorities for the 2023 Legislative Session from our members, committees, and affiliates. The Executive Committee reviewed submitted proposals and, based on staff recommendations, decided to focus on the following proposals. If approved my Alliance membership, this list would serve as the beginning of our long-term policy agenda.

Lead

1. DATA: Improve data collection related to suicide deaths and attempts (several proposals). Needs ongoing work from data committee with OHA staff to determine highest impact asks and assess current landscape. No specific ask this session other than to support OHA POP. POP asks for an OHA position related to suicide data which could facilitate this process.

Collaborate

1. TRAINING: There should be a requirement that each suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention training must include equity-centered content. Related, it would be important to have some type of requirement or incentive (i.e. certification) for trainers to receive ongoing equity-focused training.
2. LETHAL MEANS: With the partnership of the firearm community (and organizations such as the NSSF, etc.), amend the temporary firearm storage law (ORS 166.435) to include a Good Samaritan Clause.
3. EQUITY: Strengthen state legal protections for LGBTQIA2S+ youth, especially transgender youth who have been targeted by discriminatory legislation throughout the country.

Explore

1. TRANSITION OF CARE: Funding for support/treatment services that bridge the gap between crisis response and longer-term care. A strong and effective children's system of care is the focus of many different groups, including those working on the 988/MRSS (with POP attached) and CSAC and the Children System of Care Advisory and the Children's Alliance. The opportunity here is that we explore, and when appropriate support and align with their efforts.
2. TRAINING: Regular youth suicide prevention training in school - 6 grade thru 12 grade.
3. TRAINING: Require all levels of hospital staff (from the triage desk to security to nurses and doctors) to receive training in suicide prevention, intervention, assessment, treatment, and management; training should be standard across the state for all emergency departments.

Lead or Collaborate



1. PROTECTIVE ENVIRONMENTS: Student ID's have both helpline and crisis text line.