Alliance Executive Committee Meeting Monday, November 13, 2023 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

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Committee Members and Affiliates: Chair Galli Murray, Co-Chair Charlette Lumby, Angela Perry, Deb Darmata, Gordon Clay, Jill Baker, John Seeley, Justin Potts, Karen Cellarius, Kirk Wolfe, Laura Rose Misaras, Shanda Hochstetler, Taylor Chambers

Committee Members not in Attendance: Don Erickson, Kelie McWilliams, Liz Schwarz, Meghan Crane, Pam Pearce, Sandy Bumpus,

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

Guests: Aaron Townsend, Claire Kille, Craig Leets, Mary Massey, Tanvi

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	Welcome, Announcements, Charlette Lumby	 By-law updates will now take place annually during the summer Kirk has a change request for the October Executive minutes. The group held a lengthy discussion around the purpose of minutes and the use of the Equity Screening Tool and priority populations as well as details that were not included in October meeting minutes. There were agreements and disagreements about how to move forward with this request. Jenn suggested bringing the idea of boys and men as a focus area to this Committee in the future to discuss how to move forward meaningfully. Jenn also reminded the group that, if someone would like to add an advisory group on a specific population or focus area to the Alliance's scope, that we have previously created and approved steps for how to create an advisory group and these can be resent to the committee. Jenn acknowledged that concern around boys and men has been brought up multiple times by different members and affiliates within the Alliance and encourage folks to think about how they would like to see this move forward. Annette reminded folks that she has encouraged people to form an advisory group surrounding boys and men and stated that, when LGBTQ+ folks wanted an advisory that folks from that community created one and BIPOC folks created the BIPOC Caucus. While Staff will support this work how they are able, Annette said that she didn't think staff, two women, were the best people to form a group that focused on boys and men. Galli said that bringing the idea of boys and men work on the December Executive Committee agenda sounds like a good idea. MOTION: Justin Potts motioned to approve the October minutes with an amendment, dated for today, that there was an objection to the priority placed by the Alliance on boys and men specifically, in context of the use of the

		equity lens tool and move the topic of boys and men to December meeting. John Seeley seconded the motion. Motion passed with 1 abstention and 1 vote no.
2:40	Membership Discussion	Galli reminded the group that we are wanting to fill the SB 707 required positions for our membership, specifically a representative from the private insurance sector, BIPOC, rural Oregon, and youth and young adults. General membership applications open in March each year but people who will fill SB 707 gaps can apply whenever.
		Galli reminded the Committee that The Alliance had a recommendation from UPRISE for us to have a process around submitting complaints and grievances. We would like to have this process added into our Alliance By-Laws. Galli opened up opportunities to the group to participate in this workgroup. Galli, Laura Rose, and Angela are interested in joining the work. Jenn let the group know that there is a small group of folks who shared interest in having and joining a workgroup to focus specifically around Alliance membership who will also be part of this project.
3:00	Schools Committee Recommendations Paper	 Annette said that the Schools Committee have previously reviewed this paper, which is attached to the meeting invite. Justin and Claire, Schools Committee co-chairs, have also previously met with ODE who had specific feedback. The intended audience for this paper is OHA and then ODE. Justin provided an overview of the paper with highlights on different sections of the paper. John Seeley motioned to approve the paper as is. Angela Perry seconded the motion. Motion passed without abstentions or nays.

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3:20	December Quarterly Meeting Agenda Items / Focus	 Current proposed agenda items for December Quarterly meeting: Executive positions to be voted on YSIPP update – looking forward to 2024 Youth focus group highlights and review packet Potential presentation from Kelie about firearms legislation A request for people who might be interested in working on a boys under 25 workgroup Prep full Alliance that we are going to be looking at legislation
		 Frep full Analice that we are going to be looking at legislation and policy agenda in future Quarterly meetings For future quarterly meeting: Presentation on intersection of depression diagnosis and suicide prevention with John Seeley
3:40	YSIPP Initiative Update and Policy Discussion	Current YSIPP Initiative held by Executive Committee: 4.3.1 The Alliance will issue a suicide prevention legislative agenda for the 2023 session with key priorities named. Proposed YSIPP Initiative: The Alliance will issue a suicide prevention legislative agenda for the 2025 session with key priorities named.
		Mary likes Annette's idea regarding collaborating with BIPOC specific groups doing suicide prevention work that align with our work. Not asking them to come to our table but us working with them and seeing where we can join their efforts. Charlette asked the group if it would be helpful to have a 'Know
		what to Expect when talking with your Legislator' / 'Advocacy Information' available for Alliance members and affiliates. Next Steps: Staff can come up with a draft of information to see if this will meet that need.
4:00	Adjourn	



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

- 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.