

Tribal Advisory Committee Minutes

Project:	HB 2055 – Tribal Early Learning Hub	Meeting Date:	11/13/2024
Facilitator:	Sonya Moody-Jurado	Meeting Time:	3:00PM-4:30PM PT
Minutes / Time:	Dorianne Houser	Meeting Location:	Virtual

AGENDA ITEMS + NOTES:

Open & Welcoming

Sonya Moody-Jurado, Co-Chair, Siletz Tribe Representative

Notes:

- Sonya provided welcoming words.

Roll Call

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Julie Siestreem, Committee Member, Coos, Lower Umpqua, Siuslaw Tribe Representative

Diane Teeman, Committee Member, Burns-Paiute Tribe Representative

Michael Cherry, Committee Member, Grand Ronde Tribe Representative

Angela Fasana, Committee Member, Grand Ronde Tribe Representative

Becky Cantrell, Committee Member, Coquille Tribe Representative

Marsha Frost, Committee Member, Coquille Tribe Representative

Jennifer Jackson, Committee Member, Klamath Tribe Representative

Melissa Montero, Committee Member, Klamath Tribe Representative

Jory Spencer, Committee Member, Umatilla Tribe Representative

Jaimie Crane, Committee Member, Umatilla Tribe Representative

Valerie Switzler, Committee Member, Warm Springs Tribe Representative

Alissa Lane-Kane, Committee Member, Siletz Tribe Representative

Jemiah Wassman, Committee Member, Coos, Lower Umpqua, Siuslaw Tribe Representative

Jesse Jackson, Committee Member, Cow Creek Tribe Representative

Jennifer Reid, Committee Member, Cow Creek Tribe Representative

Mileah Skunkcap, Non-Committee Member, Burns-Paiute Tribe Representative

Caroline Cruz, Non-Committee Member, Warm Springs Tribe Representative

T.J. Folz, Non-Committee Member, Warm Springs Tribe Representative

DELC Team present:

Joel Melton, DELC Deputy Director of Programs

Paulina Whitehat, DELC Tribal Affairs Director

Dori Houser, DELC, Tribal Affairs Coordinator

Dana Castano, DELC, OTELA Liaison

Notes:

- Quorum Confirmed (At least 1 rep from 5/9 tribes) **Yes, 5 of 9 tribes represented (for portion of meeting).**

This is a high-level capture of the meeting. Please see the recording for full details

OTELA Updates

Dana Castano, OTELA Liaison

@Dana: Continuing review of roles of TAC, OTELA, and G2G. Overview of legislative processes. Legislative engagement, ideally, we would have a panel of TAC members that would testify about the TELP and fund to both the house and the senate. We do not know when those hearings will happen but will keep you informed. If you can't present in person, there is a written testimony option also.

@Angela: We would like regular updates throughout the process.

@Dana: What is the preferred method of updates?

@Angela: Email

@Dana: 2 pager review. It will be resent to TAC for further review

@Dana: We can continue the funding distribution discussion. Look further into roles, reporting requirements, writing the tribal early learning plan itself, and figure out the OTELA community members between now and June at our meetings.

@Dana: Distributing unspent funds: continue discussion or wait until December?

@Jemiah: December

@Dori: We do not have quorum

@Dana: Ok. We can pull up documents, just for consideration.

@Dana: Considerations for the tribes: Equal distribution or dividing based on need. Current amount is aprox 69k per tribe. That is a guaranteed amount. The requested amount that will have to go through the legislative process is 4.5 million, or 573k per tribe.

@Sonya: If tribes indicate that they can not use that entire amount, what happens?

@Dana: That is where option 2 might be better. Whatever tribes can not use, would be made available to the other tribes equally.

@Sonya: That 573 would be divided between 2 years?

@Dana: yes

@Val joins: Quorum achieved 43:35

@Val: It is wonderful news that the amount will be higher, and I like the idea of the equal split.

@Dana: Two routes for subcontracts to community partners. Do the tribes take the responsibility of managing those funds like a pass through? Or have DELC do that?

@Angela: I don't think the our tribe does that I am aware of.

@Sonya: Not Siletz either

@Jemiah: Same answer

@Becky: that is not the norm for us either

@Val: I don't think that happens in warm springs either

@Dana: It is a consideration to think about how you want to do that.

@Dana: Roles of the TAC and OTELA, which will be what TAC becomes, alongside the OTA at DELC, G2G education cluster and HHS cluster. We have a matrix to look at and compare. Who does what? The purpose of OTELA will be to advice DELC on the development and implementation of the TELP and TELF. This is something the TAC can work on also.

@Dana: Between now and June we are set to meet monthly, but after talking to TAC reps, it sounds like going bi-monthly might be a good idea. No matter what, the OTA is always here for you.

@Jemiah: What criteria would the TAC use to select members to testify at the legislature?

@Dana: My inclination would be that it would be voluntary.

@Sonya: There wasn't criteria before. We just recommended based on knowledge.

@TAC: Discussion on funding uses

@Dana: It sounds like more space for tribal sharing would be beneficial. We could use TAC meetings for that or create a separate space.

@Angela: Shares what help Grand Ronde

@Sonya: We are I appreciate the sharing space. We are a team in education.

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Next meeting December 11, 2024 @ 3PM