

## **Every School a SUN Community School Work Group**

### **Meeting Notes**

**Friday, June 28, 2013**

#### **Participants**

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Bill Scott, Rachel Spigal, Diana Hall, Lori Kenney

#### **Budget Outcome**

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Through the joint efforts of the Mayor and the Chair, Parks sites have been funded for two years. Pass through funding is for one year, with the understanding that roles be discussed for the City and County going forward.

Levy contract management will be integrated into the County now that the County is funding those sites. The County has granted SUN an exemption to contract with Campfire, as they are not currently a SUN contractor. The County budget includes the addition of two new SUN staff members: Kamesha Robinson was hired as a program specialist. A new data analyst will be hired and an existing data analyst position is open. SUN will be using a new data monitoring system for all SUN sites, to facilitate more efficient and easier data collection.

Diana reported that a new SUN site is being added at Lincoln Park Elementary in David Douglas. It is listed early in the first quartile of the Equity Index, with 88.2% Free and Reduced Lunch and 62.3% non-white students. Selection of the lead agency for the site is following the process the Council adopted last year. All eligible agencies have been invited to register their interest. Interviews will be conducted July 11<sup>th</sup>. The interview team will consist of Barbara Kienle, the principal and counselor at Lincoln Park, Diana Hall and one more individual who represents the diversity of SUN.

The County would like districts to talk with them before applying for temporary grant funding because of the historical expectation/request that the County will pick up funding at the end of the grant. The County is not in a position to continue this practice.

The relationship between the City and County stands at a critical juncture for SUN. Workgroup members discussed the importance of nurturing relationships at all levels in the City and to acknowledge the power of the City/County/District partnership within the community, perhaps through the media.

#### **SUN Sponsors**

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Bill reflected on the extent to which the superintendents at the Sponsor's Meeting expressed how beneficial SUN is to their districts. Their support came across solidly and they repeatedly asked for continued support for SUN. Commissioner Fritz took a very proactive role advocating for the expansion of SUN so that all students can benefit. She is concerned about the pockets of poverty that exist in all areas, regardless of whether a particular school is high on the Equity (poverty) index. We want to highlight the pervasiveness of poverty more in our talking points for outreach visits. Amanda's question about the impact of different agencies at different schools elicited some great input from the superintendents. Carole said that the real issue is the extent of the principal's commitment and participation, rather than the agency.

Sponsors indicated they want to be more actively involved in the Council's work and in the upcoming RFP. The City wants to talk about their on-going role with SUN. Our work will be to discuss how SUN can serve as an efficient vehicle to deliver recreation and enrichment services.

The workgroup discussed needed follow up. In response to Sponsor's interest in holding meetings every couple of months, the group suggested holding three meetings over the next year: October, February and June. Commissioner Fritz also expressed interest in leading a group to talk about SUN expansion efforts, and staff will follow up on that. Bill suggested that we develop another group that can give us input on a business model for SUN expansion. Suggested members for that group are a superintendent or deputy superintendent, United Way and Deborah Kafoury. Dan Ryan would like to see greater alignment of outcomes. Bill suggested that we send out a quarterly memo updating the Sponsors on what the Council is working on. Bill noted that it might be helpful to have additional information beyond the Core Funding document that describes what Multnomah County picks up for operations funding and also wrap around services funding. He suggested adding a footnote to the Core Funding document explaining what core funding is.

*Next Steps:*

- *Staff will add information to the Every School Talking Points about the pervasiveness of poverty and that there are significant pockets of poverty in all areas, regardless of where a school is on the Index.*
- *Lori will work with the Mayor and the Chair's offices to schedule Sponsor meetings for October, February and June, and with Commissioner Fritz's office to schedule a meeting about SUN funding.*
- *Staff will explore creating another document that describes funding for the whole system and will add a footnote to the Core Funding document describing what core funding is.*
- *Staff will develop a memo to go to Sponsors detailing what the Council is working on, what the year ahead looks like and progress we've made on setting Sponsor Meetings for the year.*
- *Staff will organize a group to give input on a business model for Every School a SUN Community School.*

## **Every School On-Going Efforts**

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Workgroup members discussed outreach efforts to United Way, the Oregon Department of Human Services, All Hands Raised and health and mental health. Erinn Kelley-Siel offered to be part of conversations that explore how to do business differently.

*Next Steps:*

- *Diana will talk with Joanne about how to move forward on conversations with Erinn Kelley-Siel and with Susan about having a scoping conversation about greater alignment with health and mental health.*

## **Next Steps**

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**Next Every School a SUN CS meeting:**

**Friday, September 27, 2013**

**10:00 – 11:30 am**

**Multnomah Building, Room 635**

**501 SE Hawthorne**