



**Local Government Advisory Committee
Room 473, Human Services Building, Salem
January 8, 2010
Minutes**

Attending:

Rod Calkins
Margaret Carter
Cathy Cooper
Morgan Cowling
Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown
Ron Dodge
Gordon Fultz
Kathy George
Bruce Goldberg
Bill Hall
Richard Harris
Tony Howell
Chuck Hurliman
Chris Johnson
George Kloepfel
Mel Kohn
Eric Moore
Jim Neely
Gina Nikkel
Clyde Saiki
Mary Shortall
John Swanson
Gillian Wesenberg
Sandy Wood

Marion County Health Department
Deputy Director of Human Service Programs, DHS
Seniors and People with Disabilities Division, DHS
Association of Oregon Counties
Conference of Local Health Officials
Polk County Commissioner
Association of Oregon Counties
Yamhill County Commissioner
Director, DHS
Lincoln County Commissioner
Addictions and Mental Health Division, DHS
League of Oregon Cities
Tillamook County Commissioner
Yamhill County Health and Human Services
Lane Council of Governments
Public Health Division, DHS
Children, Adults and Families Division, DHS
Administrative Services Division, DHS
Association of Community Mental Health Programs
Deputy Director of Operations, DHS
Multnomah County Area Agencies on Aging
Budget and Policy Analysis, DHS
Douglas County Commission on Children and Families
Division of Medical Assistant Programs, DHS

Welcome and Introductions

Chuck Hurliman welcomed everyone to the meeting and roundtable introductions were made.

Director’s Report – Bruce Goldberg

Bruce Goldberg announced today is Clyde Saiki’s last day at DHS. Clyde will be starting ODOT on Monday, January 11, 2010. A party to honor Clyde will be held at noon today in HSB 137A&D.

The DHS rebalance to the Legislature is scheduled for next week. DHS has a \$33 million deficit due to caseload increases in TANF and Long-term Care programs. DHS will not be asking for additional funds at this time.

Depending on the outcome of the ballot measures, the legislative session could be mainly around budget.

Bruce Goldberg discussed the development of a statewide critical review process around domestic violence fatalities. Domestic violence is one of the drivers of DHS caseload. John Hartner agreed it was a good idea and volunteered to assist in this effort.

HB 2009 Update – Margaret Carter and Bruce Goldberg

Margaret Carter briefly discussed AKT report on the shared service model for the transition of DHS into DHS and Oregon Health Authority which is the direction DHS will be heading. Everything is still in draft form and no decisions will be made without the input from our partners.

Bruce Goldberg discussed the overall structure of the two agencies. Over the next few months there will be opportunities for our partners to give input and help us create stronger ways to work together.

Measures 66 & 67 Potential Reductions – John Swanson

John Swanson gave a background on the reduction list requested by the Legislature of all agencies. A handout listing the 10% reductions broken out by division/program was discussed.

Chuck Hurliman suggested having a discussion regarding the DHS budget cuts and come back together prior to the legislative session with priorities to include recommendations on mandates and needs.

Update on Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission – Richard Harris

Richard Harris discussed the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission and its Subcommittees. A list of the Commission membership and Subcommittees as well as reports and meeting minutes can be accessed through the DHS website www.oregon.gov/DHS/mentalhealth/tools-policymakers/adpc/main.shtml.

The subcommittees have been meeting over the past two months. Initial meetings are information gathering, e.g., how services are funded and delivered, etc. and will be reported to the Legislature.

Topics for Next Meeting

The topic for the next LGAC will be discussed at the January 29, 2010 meeting. [NOTE: The January 29 meeting will be held if Measures 66 & 67 do not pass and is scheduled for 10:00 am – 12:00 pm in HSB 160.]

The next regularly scheduled LGAC meeting is March 12, 2010.