



Oregon Coast STEM Hub Leadership Council Meeting

March 10, 2021, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

MEETING NOTES

Attending LC Member: Itchung Cheung*, SueAnn Bottoms*, Dave Hansen*, Trish Mace*, Kerry Carlin-Morgan*, Larry Boles**, Kristi Foster*, Jaime Belanger*, Doug Ardiana*, Alissa Lane-Keene*, Amy Schmid*

Attending Backbone Staff: Tracy Crews, Cait Goodwin, Josh Jannusch

Attending Other: Chuck Getter, Rachael Maddock-Hughes, Rhea Warren LCSD, Manuel Padilla

(*) = primary LC member

(**) = alternate LC member

Welcome and Introductions - Round robin introductions and updates

Status updates

- Sueann, OSU PCP - Retiring in June
- Doug, Bandon SD - Retiring in June
- Kristi, TEP - [Children's Clean Water Festival](#) is virtual this year for Tillamook 4th graders. Today is day 4 and it's going well.
- Jaime, SSNERR - Just approved to do in person small group field work with students, outside only
- Trish, CMLC - Offering virtual programming, teachers can sign up on website
- Kerry, OCAq - Sara Roberts is back at work after a year of furlough, so aquarium will start planning teacher PD again. Working as partner on a NOAA BWET grant held by Cascade Head, shifting some products to video.
- Josh, WHSD - Hybrid model at WHSD, half MS students are in class, and the other half are at a second outdoor site: dissecting sharks, removing invasive species, etc
- Itchung, HMSC - All spring OSU courses still remote, expanding online content for courses (ex. The Virtual Field), summer will have 10 small in-person field courses at HMSC and 30 summer internships. Plans for Fall in progress.
- Larry, OCCC - Nearly all spring courses are online. Community Education Program courses in Lincoln County, also all online.

Approval of [Notes from December 14, 2020](#) meeting (please vote in Chat Box)

Doug motioned to approve the notes, Dave seconded the motion; LC members voted: **Notes approved**

Oregon Ocean Innovation Hub (O2IH)

Rachael Maddock-Hughes from the Lincoln County Incident Management Team gave a presentation

about the Oregon Ocean Innovation Hub (O2IH), followed by Q&A.
OCSH and OCSH partners have participated as stakeholders to help develop OOHl goals.

Blue economy: “traditional maritime plus everything else” - traditional maritime competencies combined with 21st century professional skills. Filing status is ORS 190 - interagency ‘council of governments’, and will have a Board and administration.

O2IH is a way to all row in the same direction. Work together to apply for funding, etc.

O2IH Goals (4)

- 1) Improve economic opportunities for our region’s rural communities
- 2) Diversify and enhance the economy of the Oregon Coast and the State of Oregon,
- 3) Increase the competitiveness of the US Blue Economy globally, and
- 4) Establish Oregon as a global leader in acceleration the growth of Blue Economy tools, technologies and innovation.

DEI is central to everything that O2IH does.

Three pillars: 1) Workforce Development, 2) Innovation and Entrepreneurship, and 3) R&D. Now working on what programs/initiatives are going to fit under the three pillars.

O2IH has been invited to apply for funding to participate in a Blue Economy Sector Analysis - comparing our opportunities to what’s in WA and CA.

Question: Plans for expansion beyond Lincoln County?

Answer: Blue Economy is more than just maritime, it is for anyone who uses those resources. Will start with coastal counties but will likely expand into other parts of the state. Stay tuned as the project develops. O2IH is staying in touch with state and federal officials.

Hub Innovation Grant Options (15 options) - Tracy

Feedback from LC members is needed. Tracy shared the 15 opportunities, including the three OCSH is a lead partner on (highlighted in blue, [see JPG](#))

Current OCSH Projects

- CS Drive
- Early Learning
- Rural STEAM Collaborative

Hub leaders have a work session with the STEM Council at the end of March. What does LC think are the best innovation grants to partner on moving forward?

Question: How can we get feedback from school districts? Tracy may need to call individuals because everyone is overwhelmed right now and not necessarily responding to emails.

Kristi - Likes CS Drive and RLC, plus CCL if we have capacity

Doug - Likes K-8 Math Leadership and RLC

Amy - Youth Voice isn’t working as well as hoped at TSD this year

Partner Commitment Forms and Needs Assessment

Cait asked that all partners please respond to email request to update partner commitment forms no later than March 19, 2021.

Updates: Grants, Programs, Opportunities

- Backbone staff walked LC through the [Updates PDF](#)
- Josh/Tracy - Federal funds to support summer programming are coming to Oregon and will soon be available - [Read more](#). Please share with those who may be interested.

New Director Hiring Updates (10 LC members remain on the call)

Hiring Committee: Tracy, Dave, SueAnn and Itchung (need three more)

- Larry Boles volunteered to join the committee
- Kerry Morgan tentatively volunteered, TBD
- Committee can use many of the tools/questions from the previous Director search(es). Bulk of the work is reviewing the applications and participating in the interviews in May. If you would like to participate, [contact Itchung](#)

Anticipated Timeline: Position approved mid March, Posted in April, open until filled, Start interviews in May, position begins in June

LC members reviewed and discussed the Director position description.

Question - Can you make the position longer than 12 months? Not likely due to OSU practices, but the committee will ask to see if a 2 year position is possible.

Next LC Meeting dates - Discuss and confirm

- Quarterly meeting - June 9, 2021 9-11am
- Check ins - Thursday April 8 @11AM and Thursday May 13 @ 10AM

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- *Respectfully submitted, C. Goodwin 3/11/2021*