

Early Learning Advisory Board (ELAB)

Thursday, January 9, 2014

1:30 am – 4:00 pm

The public may attend the meeting in any of the locations specified below:

Main Site: Hanahau’oli School, Professional Development Center
1922 Makiki Street, Honolulu, HI 96822

Meeting Chair will preside at the Hanahau’oli School location.

Advisory Board Members in Attendance:

Dana Balansag (for Pankaj Bhanot), Kaina Bonascorsi, Michael Fahey, Christine Jackson, Robert Peters, Lora Perry, Namaka Rawlins, Lynn Cabato, Alfred Castle, Christina Cox, Dee Jay Mailer, Chris Pating (replacing Dee Jay Mailer), Anne Peters, Joanne Taira (for Linda Johnsrud)

Absent: Malia Shimokawa, Ben Naki

Executive Office on Early Learning staff in attendance: GG Weisenfeld, Deanne Goya, Kerrie Urosevich, Kalei Keolanui

Public in Attendance:

Kuulani Keohokalole, James Raymond, Kathy Murphy, Anna Fernandea, Melissa Pavlicek, Joann Farnsworth

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
MINUTES:		
Welcome/Introductions— Bob Peters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Chair Bob Peters urged the Board to continue Deliana Fuddy’s legacy of collaboration and focus on our keikiGroup held a moment of silence in honor of Deliana Fuddy.Member Alfred Castle announced the Samuel N. & Mary Castle Foundation’s \$50,000 memorial gift in honor of Deliana to Kalihi Palama Health Center to support the construction and furnishing of new facilities in maternal and child health in a	

	<p>vulnerable community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Peters bid aloha to member Dee Jay Mailer, who is retiring from Kamehameha Schools—she submitted a letter designating Chris Pating as her replacement on the Board, but she will continue as an advocate. • ELAB Member changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Family Child Care Provider representative Pamela Perkins resigned due to health reasons, and her seat remains empty ○ University of Hawaii representative Linda Johnrud retired; Joanne Taira will be taking her place on the Board ○ CEO of Kamehameha Schools Dee Jay Mailer retired, and designated Chris Pating to take her place on the Board ○ One name was submitted to Boards & Commissions for the Parent Representative seat, Lisa Kimura (confirmation pending) 	
Review and Approve 11/14/13 Minutes —Bob Peters	11/14/13 Early Learning Advisory Board minutes reviewed and unanimously approved, 13-0.	Minutes unanimously approved, 13-0
Executive Office on Early Learning Update —GG Weisenfeld	<p>(See attached PPT.)</p> <p>Goals for 2014:</p> <p>2014 EOEL Goals</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pass implementation Bill [post-Con Am] we are introducing 2. Get supplemental budget request funded 3. Align the work of HCYC with EOEL 4. Support new members of ELAB and continue to align and when possible integrate ELAB and EOEL work 5. Identify data needs and funding 	

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Continue to update EOEL Website and all communications 7. Change in K entry: Curriculum support for preschool programs 8. NGA Policy Academy: Continue work 9. Admin Rules developed for FCILs, DOE-EOEL PreK, and private providers [post Con Am] 10. Educated and support legislators 11. Action Strategy work integrated into EOEL funding and legislative asks for 2015 session 	
<p>Action Strategy Update and Discussion—Kerrie Urosevich</p>	<p>(See attached handout, “Action Strategy ELAB Update 01.09.14”)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are trying to find ways to best utilize the ELAB • Prior to each ELAB meeting, an Action Strategy question will be posed to the board in preparation for the meeting discussion • <u>Things to celebrate:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All focus groups have identified meeting times for 2014 ✓ 1, 2, and 3 year Focus Area groups’ goals identified ✓ Email list established of all 150 members and each Focus Area group ✓ Able to increase NI participation with upcoming contract, EOEL travel to neighbor islands, and more funds for NI travel to Oahu ✓ Zero to Three—Share the Care project added ✓ DHS participating in developing comprehensive screening packages ✓ Deciding on Kumu as Action Strategy and One-Stop-Shop platforms ✓ P-3 as Hawaii’s Point Agency for the Campaign for Reading with EOEL ✓ Ka Pua Initiative leadership joining the Action Strategy on the Access Team ✓ Aligned ECCS, Hui Kupa’a and AS work around screenings 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Pre and Post Assessments for POD almost completed ✓ EOEL-DOE partnership rolled out to public and legislature <p><u>To Contemplate:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We all should be prepared with the Con Am talking points at all meetings • Supporting DHS' limited staff • Establishing a relationship with the new DOH director • 2015 legislative and budget priorities from AS work • Systems building outcomes vs. child outcomes <p><u>To Work Through Now:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic posed to ELAB to inform the proposed screening package and Family Violence Core Competencies: Identify a) the various ways early childhood programs integrate protective factors with families, and b) understand program protocol if they suspect family violence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ KCAA: we are governed by licensing—Keiki O Hawaii is the place for resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Our role is not to solve the issue, but to make sure they are directed to help ▪ Mandated reporting is required—Laurie Jicha does the training, as there are established forms for Mandated Reporters to complete ○ FCIL: building relationships with parents is the best way to help ○ Council of Mayors: ongoing trainings are a challenge ○ HAIS: because of the many kinds of abuse, i.e., verbal—it is difficult to get at the causes • Head Start Collaboration: distributed the deliverable, <i>Family</i> 	
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	<i>Partnership Guidelines</i>	
Legislative Update —Bob Peters	<p>2014 Legislative Session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DHS (Dana Balansag): \$200,000 for SNAP outreach contract to maintain existing SNAP outreach and awareness efforts by DHS in reaching individuals and families who may be eligible for SNAP assistance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ \$6 million for child subsidies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$2.5 million for POD ▪ \$3.5 million for Child Care Connection and First-to-Work TANF work program childcare subsidies to restructure the co-payments from 0-90% to 0-30% for center-based care • KS (Melissa Pavlicek): Early Learning is KS’ #1 initiative—ask Melissa for legislative information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ KS is prioritizing messaging for Con Am support: it is funding for a <u>system</u> ○ Bills are being introduced until January 23, 2014 • JoAnn Farnsworth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DOH: Infant Mortality and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome ○ Keiki Caucus-Early Childhood Development Bill package, minimum wage bill • Chair Bob Peters: put the February 13 meeting on the Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The upcoming session is the Board’s priority ○ We will have GBA share their progress 	
Member Updates —Bob Peters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head Start (Lynn Cabato): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A formerly homeless single mother is now faced with not being able to get her child into pre-K because she’s no longer eligible for HS because of her new salary, which is not enough for pre-K for her child without subsidies—we need to work with these parents sooner 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council of Mayors (Kaina Bonarcorsi): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a legislator is putting forth legislation expanding the number of neighbor island seats on the ELAB ○ Supporting the minimum wage increase: is it a good thing for families? Families must be at the forefront • Hawaii Early Intervention (Mike Fahey): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Keiki Caucus package includes the DHS Administrative Rules 140, Early Intervention • Castle Foundation (Alfred Castle): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kellogg Foundation called and asked him to make sure the Castle family supports messaging-GBA funding-for the intense messaging that will come after the primaries ○ KS, the Roundtable, the Chamber, and a number of banks are prepared to support professional training programs to ensure quality standards • FCIL programs (Lora Perry): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ it is difficult to explain family/child interaction programs, so she will be preparing the messaging for each program • DHS (Dana Balansag): the proposed POD Administrative Rules draft has been posted and the public hearing for the proposed rules is scheduled for January 13, 2014 at 9:00AM at Haseko Center for public review 	
<p>Public Comment—Bob Peters</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Beginnings Alliance (Kuulani Keohokalole): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GBA has received 501(c)(4) approval so they can advocate for the Con Am ○ They will be rolling out their legislative tracking soon ○ 1/23/14 Leadership Council Meeting ○ Smaller media campaign in February ○ Advocacy trainings: trained 60 people last year incorporating a Capitol tour to get familiar with the 	

	<p>layout, and how to testify effectively</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lawmaker read-aloud sessions: 22 completed so far ● HAEYC (Kathy Murphy): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The National Education Association has stated that HSTA cannot exclude community-based child services 	
Review Agenda Outcomes —Bob Peters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● At the next ELAB meeting we will continue our Action Strategy discussion ● We will focus on the legislative action we are going to take ● After hearing GBA report on where they are at with their Con Am strategy, the Board will discuss GBA’s messaging ● The Board will discuss EOEL’s role in educating the public ● EOEL Leadership: makeup of the Board, and roles 	
Announcements —Bob Peters	<p>EOEL (Deanne Goya):</p> <p>The RFP-GOV-EOEL-02-SW has been posted and is located on the SPO website: http://spo3.hawaii.gov/notices/notices/rfp-gov-14-02-sw</p>	
Closing —Bob Peters	<p>Kaina Bonarcorsi shared many emailed remembrances of Deliana Fuddy, and Mike Fahey shared this quote from Mother Teresa:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Life is an opportunity, benefit from it.</i> <i>Life is beauty, admire it.</i> <i>Life is a dream, realize it.</i> <i>Life is a challenge, meet it.</i> <i>Life is a duty, complete it.</i> <i>Life is a game, play it.</i> <i>Life is a promise, fulfill it.</i> <i>Life is sorrow, overcome it.</i> <i>Life is a song, sing it.</i> <i>Life is a struggle, accept it.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Life is a tragedy, confront it.</i></p>	

	<p><i>Life is an adventure, dare it. Life is luck, make it. Life is life, fight for it." -- Mother Teresa</i></p>	
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