

Joint Interim Committee on Student Success Meeting Summary – Coquille & Coos Bay Field Trips October 10, 2018

Site Visit and Lunch, 11:30 AM

**Lincoln School of Early Learning Child Development Center
1366 N. Gould St., Coquille**

Members Present: Sens. Roblan, Knopp, DeBoer, Frederick, Taylor, and Thatcher; Reps. Smith Warner, Fahey, Hernandez, Sprenger, and Wilson

Members Excused: Sen. Hass; Reps. Smith and Clem

Legislators visited the Lincoln Early Learning Center in Coquille. Superintendent Tim Sweeney greeted the committee and spoke about the district's early learning programs, the student population, the program's origins in the needs of one high school student who was asked by her mother to drop out of high school and care for a preschool-aged younger brother, the role of the ESD, the programs in place at the Center, and the challenges of serving the community's needs.

Student Listening Session, 1:00 PM

**Coquille High School
499 W. Central Blvd., Coquille**

Members Present: Sens. Roblan, Knopp, DeBoer, Frederick, Taylor, and Thatcher; Reps. Smith Warner, Fahey, Hernandez, Sprenger, and Wilson

Members Excused: Sen. Hass; Reps. Smith and Clem

Non-Members Present: None

Legislators met with small groups of students, who described their experiences in Oregon's education system.

Presentation by Oregon Research Schools Network, 2:30 PM

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499 W. Central Blvd., Coquille**

Members Present: Sens. Roblan, Knopp, DeBoer, Frederick, Taylor, and Thatcher; Reps. Smith Warner, Fahey, Hernandez, Sprenger, and Wilson

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Non-Members Present: None

Randy Kamphaus, Dean of the College of Education at the University of Oregon, spoke about his ideas for an educational extension service modeled on Oregon State University's agricultural extension service. He described the Oregon Research Schools Network, which currently has four schools, and the

university's efforts to improve instruction in those schools by offering evidence-based professional development and funding a professional development coordinator in each school. Nancy Golden spoke about the types of interventions offered to teachers, and Jennifer Sweeney spoke about the impact of those interventions within the high school.

Roundtable with Local Business Leaders, 4:15 PM

Marshfield High School

972 Ingersoll Ave., Coos Bay

Members Present: Sens. Roblan, DeBoer, Frederick, Taylor, and Thatcher; Reps. Smith Warner, Clem, Fahey, Hernandez, Sprenger, and Wilson

Members Excused: Sens. Knopp and Hass; Rep. Smith

Non-Members Present: Rep. McKeown

The committee met with members of the local business community and discussed teacher recruitment, early learning, after-school programs, the challenges facing small communities, career and technical education, students' work readiness, workforce development challenges, mental and behavioral health supports for students, and regional programs.

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Student Listening Session, 8:00 AM

Marshfield High School

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Members Excused: Reps. Smith, Fahey, Hernandez, and Wilson

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Work Group meetings, 9:30 AM
Marshfield High School
972 Ingersoll Ave., Coos Bay

Students Ready and Able to Learn

Members Present: Reps. Smith Warner and Fahey, Sen. DeBoer

The work group discussed policy proposals from members and stakeholder organizations.

College and Career Ready

Members Present: Sens. Roblan, Frederick, and Thatcher; Reps. Clem and Wilson

Others in attendance: Jessica Ventura, Oregon Department of Education

The work group discussed policy proposals relating to career-connected learning and dropout prevention strategies.

High Quality Classrooms

Members Present: Sens. Knopp and Taylor, Reps. Hernandez and Sprenger

Others in attendance: Colt Gill, ODE and Soren Metzger, OSEA

The work group discussed policy proposals relating to the educator workforce.

Site Tours - Group 1:

Marshfield High School – Harding Learning Center
Reedsport High School

Members Present: Sens. Roblan, DeBoer, Frederick, Thatcher; Rep. Clem

The committee visited the Harding Learning Center which houses Marshfield High School's GED program, Destinations Academy alternative high school (where they talked with instructor, Mark McKelvey), and the Resource Link online charter school which mostly serves homeschooling families. They then toured the now-closed auto shop converted to a theater lab, the McKenzie House which is home to an adult-transition program, the construction shop building which was built by students, the welding shop, and radio and TV production area.

The committee also traveled to Reedsport Community Charter School which serves over 300 students in grades 7-12. They were greeted by Principal Jerry Uhling, and Superintendent Jon Zwemke. The group toured the recently updated CTE classrooms and heard from shop teacher Guy Marchione and social studies teacher Keith Tymchuk about concerns related to their ability to expand the CTE programs at Reedsport.

**Site Tours - Group 2:
North Bend School District
Coquille Tribal Learning Center**

Members Present: Sens. Knopp, Frederick, and Taylor; Reps. Smith Warner and Fahey

The committee heard a presentation from North Bend School District staff and a student about the district's programs, including the Tribal Attendance Pilot Program and students' electronic portfolios, and then toured some of the school's career and technical education classrooms.

The committee traveled to the Coquille Indian Tribe's education program, where it toured a Head Start classroom, heard a presentation on youth education programs such as summer work programs and summer camps, and visited the Plank House. At the Plank House, staff described the Tribe's education program for area fourth graders in cooperation with the Coos History Museum.

**Roundtable with Local Education Stakeholders, 4:00 PM
South Coast ESD
1350 Teakwood Ave., Coos Bay**

Members Present: Sens. Roblan, DeBoer, Frederick, and Thatcher; Reps. Smith Warner and Clem

Members Excused: Sens. Knopp, Hass, and Taylor; Reps. Smith, Fahey, Hernandez, Sprenger, and Wilson

Non-Members Present: Rep. McKeown

The committee met with local education leaders. Sen. Roblan welcomed the committee and participants. Participants discussed instructional time, career and technical education, school safety issues, student needs, parent engagement, workforce issues, mental and behavioral health, the difficulty of passing bonds, school libraries, homelessness and transience, the cap on special education funding, and related issues.