



SHS Advisory Committee Meeting

August 10, 2023 | 3:00-5:00pm

Attendance: Desiree' DuBoise, Jessica Harper, Jessica Mathis, Julia Delgado, Xenia Gonzalez, Yvette Hernandez, Cheryl Carter, Ria Tsinas, Mitzie Pennet (dropped off due to technical issues), Shannon Jones (dropped off due to technical issues), Martha Caballero

STAFF: Cristal Otero, Breanna Flores, Anna Johnson, Bill Boyd, Alyssa Plesser

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Decision/Action
Welcome Land and Labor Introductions SHS Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SHS Updates: Reporting Schedule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A committee member asked for the link to the Oversight committee meeting later this month when JOHS will be presenting the budget. Link here for the meeting on Monday, August 28, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. ● Monthly meeting vote: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The SHS team proposed a vote to decide whether to keep SHS advisory committee meetings at an every other month schedule, or to switch to once a month. ○ Question: Does going to a monthly meeting mean twice the work? Would we be meeting just to meet or would we be working and making decisions? If we go to monthly meetings, could they be shorter? ○ Feedback: Could the committee receive SHS updates over email rather than spending time covering them during meetings? Or potentially via a Google group? It would be hard for this particular member to add another two hour meeting to their 	

	<p>schedule.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Feedback: We spend a lot of time in committee meetings hearing presentations about things that have happened already. There seems to be less space for active input on things that are currently happening. It sometimes feels like we're not participating in a way that's useful. I would rather invest more time by going to monthly meetings if it will lead to feeling more impactful.○ Meeting more frequently makes sense if we could aim for a shorter amount of time. That would help us keep moving forward and not lose momentum.○ Vote to go to monthly meetings had consensus. 7 members voted 5, 1 member voted 4, and 2 members voted 3 using the fist to five method. (Any vote above 3 means there is consensus.) The SHS Advisory Committee will adopt a monthly meeting schedule starting in September 2023.● Vote for wage study presentation:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The SHS team asked whether the committee would like to hear a presentation on the wage study at the next advisory committee meeting in September.○ Question: Has this study been published? Can we look over the info first so the session can be more focused on interactive Q&A?<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Here is the information that is available to the public.○ The committee's preference generally is to spend more time in discussion and less time hearing presentations.○ There is also a preference for receiving materials in advance so the meeting time can be used to discuss the materials.○ Question: Is there a hybrid version for meetings where we could have both	<p>Action: The SHS team will send out a poll to members to decide the length of time for monthly meetings, as they could be shorter than two hours.</p>
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	<p>presentations and discussions? I don't like being "over-presented" to, but I also don't want excessive reading materials to be a barrier for others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One member's access needs are better met through presentations and Q&A. Solitary reading can be difficult and not conducive to absorbing the material. Visuals are helpful. ○ Vote to have a wage study presentation at the next meeting had consensus—Two members voted 5, four members voted 4, and four members voted 3 using the fist to five method. (Any vote above 3 means there is consensus.) One member originally voted 2 but changed their vote to 3 to create consensus. ○ This vote has the caveat that materials will go out in advance and the presentation will be more focused on interactive discussion and Q&A. 	<p>Action: The SHS team will arrange a wage study presentation for the committee's next meeting on September 14.</p>
Workgroups update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● See slides for content 	<p>Action: SHS team will send info about the workgroups and a survey about joining to new members. Two existing members also requested this information.</p>
Corrective Action Plan presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● See slides for content 	
Special session review & discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● See slides for content ● In July the SHS advisory committee held a special session to hear an update about the SHS Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Multnomah County has been placed on by Metro. In this meeting the group proposed some spending priorities for SHS funds but was not able to vote on them due to lack of quorum. ● As a follow up to that discussion, the SHS team shared a document with the recommendations from the special session 	

	<p>as well as past recommendations the committee made when it was forming its Work Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Then the group completed a Jamboard activity to identify any remaining recommendations to add to the list and share with JOHS leadership. ● Question: Can money be spent on infrastructure? For instance, could it be spent on purchasing a warehouse for supplies? Could a capital expense qualify as a one-time expenditure? Is there a limit on SHS spending for physical buildings? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Capital purchases are an allowable expense under SHS. Providing funds to support a warehouse purchase would require discussions to see if that is an investment that the County would make. The JOHS maintains a portfolio of buildings that provide shelter and a team of people manage those. We don't maintain a portfolio of supportive housing real estate. ○ Metro has provided guidance that capital purchases may be a good investment for carryover funds. 	<p>Action: The SHS team will email the proposed recommendations from this session to the committee for review and feedback. We will seek quorum over email for the final set of recommendations that the SHS team will submit to JOHS leadership.</p>
Closing		

Accessibility: To help ensure equal access to services and activities, the Joint Office of Homeless Services will reasonably modify policies/procedures and provide auxiliary aids/services to persons with disabilities. Call 3 days in advance to request ADA assistance and 2 days in advance for translation services: 503-988-2520, TTY, 503-823-6868. Reimbursement for travel and childcare costs are available. Please contact SHS Analyst Cristal Otero by email at cristal.otero@multco.us

Meeting ZOOM Chat

- 15:12:25 From Cristal (She/her) To All Panelists:
stepping away to use bathroom
- 15:24:00 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:
Breanna can you promote Ria? She is in the attendee list now.
- 15:24:38 From Breanna Flores (she/they) SHS Team To All Panelists:
Yes, done. Thanks Anna
- 15:27:01 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:
Breanna, I would appreciate it if you could share that link to the regional meeting later this month.
- 15:29:45 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:
thanks!
- 15:35:24 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:

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15:35:29 From Jessica Mathis To All Panelists:

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15:39:49 From Ria Tsinas(she/they) Academy of Perinatal To All Panelists:
agreed!

15:40:32 From Desiree' DuBoise (She/They) To All Panelists:

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15:41:13 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:

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15:41:25 From Yvette Hernandez To All Panelists:

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15:41:31 From Xenia She/they To All Panelists:

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15:41:33 From Ria Tsinas(she/they) Academy of Perinatal To All Panelists:

5

15:41:39 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:

3

15:41:44 From Cheryl Carter To All Panelists:

I'm down for once a month

15:42:01 From Shannon Isadore Jones To All Panelists:

5

15:42:15 From Cheryl Carter To All Panelists:

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15:43:54 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:

brb apologies.

15:47:13 From Yvette Hernandez To All Panelists:

I'm having technical issues and can't hear the presentation.

15:47:36 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:

Oh no, thank you for the heads up Yvette. Is anyone else having audio issues?

15:47:51 From Jessica Mathis To All Panelists:

No, I can hear.

15:47:55 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:

I can hear fine

15:47:56 From Xenia She/they To All Panelists:

I can hear fine

15:47:59 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:

i can hear.

15:48:19 From Cheryl Carter To All Panelists:

I can hear

15:49:03 From Bill Boyd (he/him) To All Panelists:

This was posted on the Multnomah County website:

<https://www.multco.us/multnomah-county/news/joint-office-homeless-services-releases-wage-study-homeless-service-providers>

15:49:22 From Xenia She/they To All Panelists:

Thanks bill

15:49:48 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:

i agree with ria, i would prefer these meetings be more discussion less presentation.

15:50:19 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:

yes my preference is materials in advance then we discuss said materials.

15:50:42 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:
I agree with Ria and Julia.

15:51:29 From Cheryl Carter To All Panelists:
Materials in advance through emails

15:51:50 From Yvette Hernandez To All Panelists:
I'm having technical issues again and can't hear anything.

15:52:10 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:
I think reviewing the wage study on our own but then followed with a concise presentation.

15:55:28 From Desiree' DuBoise (She/They) To All Panelists:
4

15:55:32 From Yvette Hernandez To All Panelists:
5

15:55:37 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:
2

15:55:48 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:
5

15:55:48 From Jessica Mathis To All Panelists:
4

15:55:51 From Xenia She/they To All Panelists:
3

15:55:57 From Cheryl Carter To All Panelists:
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15:55:58 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:
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15:56:02 From Ria Tsinas(she/they) Academy of Perinatal To All Panelists:
3

15:56:10 From Shannon Isadore Jones To All Panelists:
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15:56:29 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:
One additional thought is that it could be an optional follow up presentation for those interested at the end of a meeting.

15:57:28 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:
i thught only 1 blocked

15:57:40 From Breanna Flores (she/they) SHS Team To All Panelists:
Two or less blocks

15:58:11 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:
3 is fine

16:00:05 From Xenia She/they To All Panelists:
Sorry my bad accidentally unmuted

16:04:55 From Ria Tsinas(she/they) Academy of Perinatal To All Panelists:
id like to receive that info as well. thank you!

16:30:26 From Cheryl Carter To All Panelists:
This is really good stuff as long as it stays in place... Thank You

16:30:55 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:
<https://jamboard.google.com/d/1KNmVnzcV24FZggqe5gS-U4COmS7Jr6c5Jo26mUkAdU/viewer?f=0>

16:31:38 From Cheryl Carter To Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team(Privately):
I don't have access

16:32:04 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To Cheryl Carter(Privately):

I thought that might be the case. You can go ahead and add your ideas in the chat and we'll put them on the jamboard. Sorry about that Cheryl!

16:33:50 From Xenia She/they To All Panelists:

I see it thank you

16:34:32 From Yvette Hernandez To All Panelists:

It's asking us to sign to google account, but I don't know my password

16:35:18 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:

I need someone to grant me access

16:35:31 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:

Okay I will work on that Martha--one second.

16:36:36 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:

Martha, go ahead and put your ideas in the chat and we'll ad them. I got an error message when I tried to share the jamboard with you. Sorry about that!

16:37:53 From Cheryl Carter To Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team(Privately):

Health providers for housing

16:37:55 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:

Use enhanced Fair Market Rents/Payment Standards.

16:38:57 From Cheryl Carter To Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team(Privately):

Increase housing (24) hr security

16:39:48 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:

What does VI-SPDAT stand for?

16:39:49 From Cheryl Carter To Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team(Privately):

Invest in tech support for more housing contracts

16:41:10 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:

It stands for (Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool). It's the tool widely used in Coordinated Access.

16:41:10 From Bill Boyd (he/him) To All Panelists:

Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool. It is the assessment tool used in the coordinated access process to support prioritizing people into housing programs. It is very problematic and there is lots of work going on to create a new prioritization process

16:41:12 From Cheryl Carter To Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team(Privately):

ID, social security and fast tracking documents services

16:41:57 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:

Thank you Bill

16:42:18 From Cheryl Carter To Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team(Privately):

Create opportunities to maintain their permanent housing

16:42:35 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:

Thank you Ana and Breanna.

16:44:43 From Cheryl Carter To Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team(Privately):

Decentralized and open up waitlist or lists so that CBO can offer these waitlist

16:47:29 From Jessica Mathis To All Panelists:

I would actually argue that the VI-SPDAT is problematically objective in it's priorities. I saw in the recommendations that the screening criteria be more objective, but in my experience in the DV system, where we use a more qualitative assessment tool, which actually serve marginalize communities better.

16:47:57 From Jessica Mathis To All Panelists:

*we actually

16:50:23 From Julia Maria Delgado To All Panelists:

vispdatt is the worst :-) i have to duck out early but thank you all.

16:50:35 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:

Thank you Julia!

16:50:44 From Breanna Flores (she/they) SHS Team To All Panelists:

Thank you, Julia. Have a great evening

16:52:16 From Jessica Harper (she/her) - Gresham To All Panelists:

same sorry!

16:52:56 From Martha Caballero To All Panelists:

Group, I need to hop off. Thank you for being inclusive.

16:53:17 From Breanna Flores (she/they) SHS Team To All Panelists:

Thank you, Martha!

16:53:17 From Anna J. (she/her) SHS Team To All Panelists:

Thank you Martha!