

Region X Head Start Association



Talking Points

Region X Head Start Association Board of Governor's Meeting

March 2008

Board Planning

The RXHSA is in the process of stabilizing the Association due to changes in leadership. The Board has been working hard updating the by-laws, fiscal policies and procedures, developing a strategic plan, work plan, and determining training priorities.

Notes of Interest:

- RXHSA is co-sponsoring training with Oregon Head Start Association (OHSA) at their state trainings held in Lincoln City, May 7, 8, & 9th. Topic of training will be Homelessness and Disaster Preparedness. For more information contact: Ruby Miller at (541)747-2425, ext. 206 or rmiller@headstart.lane.or.us
- The Board met with Nancy Hutchins to collaborate on the March 2009 RXHSA Leadership Conference. She is very supportive and enthusiastic about this opportunity.
- In the meeting with Nancy, she mentioned she will be providing timely information on regulations that come forward on reauthorization.
- Next Board meeting will be held in Boise, ID August 6-8, 2008. A one-day seminar is in the works on Smoking Cessation to accompany this meeting.

By-Laws:

To support leadership transition and continuity on the Board the membership changed: Terms of Office: terms shall be for two (2) years and shall not be contingent upon re-election at the state level.

RXHSA Accomplishments:

- Successful Region X Conference March 7-9, 2007
- RXHSA site visit to Alaska in August 1-3, 2008 – Alaska is now an active member of the RXHSA.
- Updating of by-laws, fiscal policies and procedures, development of strategic plan, and work plan.
- Invitation to State Association Executive Directors and Presidents at the March 12, 13, and 14, 2008 meetings.
- Successful recruitment of Board members from staff, parents and friends.
- Co-sponsor with OHSA state trainings.
- Board members attended four (4) Leadership Trainings in the Fall and Winter at the National Head Start Association (NHSA)
 - Ron Herndon, Director Rep. from Oregon
 - Shari Shell, Staff Rep. from Oregon
 - Jana Evans, Parent Rep. from Washington
 - Dean-Stephen Kauffman, Friends Rep. from Oregon

New Officers:

- Mishelle Prior Clark, President
- Wendee Shuell, Vice-President
- Jana Evans, Treasurer
- Dean-Stephen Kauffman, Secretary

New Staff NHSA Rep. (interim):

- Kaylin White, Staff Rep., from Idaho