



**May 15, 2025**

**Meeting of the Coalition of Local Health Officials**

**Meeting Began: 9:45 AM**

**Executive Members:**

Present: Philip Mason-Joyner, CLHO Chair, Clackamas; Jocelyn Warren, Past CLHO Chair, Lane; Carrie Brogoitti, Vice-Chair, Center for Human Development Union; Shane Sanderson, Secretary/Treasurer, Linn; Jackson Baures, At-Large Representative 1, Jackson; Jennifer Little, At-Large Representative 2, Klamath; Katie Plumb, At-Large Representative 3, Crook; Lindsey Manfrin, Public Health Administrators of Oregon, Yamhill

Absent: Dr. Pat Luedtke, Health Officer's Rep, Lane; DaiLene Wilson, At-Large Representative 4, Gilliam; Joseph Fiumara, Coalition of Local Environmental Health Specialists, Umatilla

**Members Present (x if present)**

	Baker – Chastity Anderson	X	Hood River - Trish Elliot		Multnomah – Kirsten Aird
X	Benton – Sara Hartstein	X	Jackson - Jackson Baures*	X	North Central PHD (Sherman, Wasco) - Martha McInnes
X	Clackamas – Kim La Croix	X	Jefferson - Katie Russell	X	Polk – Kari Wilhite
X	Clatsop – Jill Quackenbush	X	Josephine – Michael Sellers was absent; Janet Fredrickson was proxy		Tillamook - Marlene Putman
	Columbia – Jaime Aanensen	X	Klamath - Jennifer Little		Umatilla - Joseph Fiumara
X	Coos – Tim Lynch	X	Lake - Judy Clarke	X	Union - Carrie Brogoitti*
X	Crook – Katie Plumb*	X	Lane - Jocelyn Warren*	X	Washington – Marie Boman-Davis was absent; Erin Jolly was proxy
	Deschutes – Heather Kaisner	X	Lincoln - Florence Pourtal	X	Wheeler - Sarah Hartenstein
X	Douglas - Bob Dannenhoffer	X	Linn – Shane Sanderson*	X	Yamhill - Lindsey Manfrin
	Gilliam – DaiLene Wilson*	X	Malheur - Rebecca Stricker		HO Caucus - Pat Luedtke*
X	Grant – Trey Thompson		Marion – Wendy Zieker		CLEHS Caucus - Joseph Fiumara*
X	Harney – Kelly Singhose	X	Morrow – Robin Canaday	X	PHAO - Lindsey Manfrin*



## **Additional Attendees Attendance**

- **Public Health Division:** Liz Hunt
- **Coalition of Local Health Officials:** Sarah Lochner, Executive Director; Allison Mora, Program Manager, Jenny Rudolph, Kate Szrom, Rural Public Health Communications Coordinator; Madison Reithman, Janessa Wells, Workforce Navigator
- **Guests:** Jerry Walker (Columbia)

**Motion:** Martha (NCPHD) made a motion to approve the April minutes. Jennifer (Klamath) seconded the motion. 0 opposed, 0 abstained, all remaining present in favor, motion passed.

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## **Agenda Items**

### **CLHO Year In Review | Informational | CLHO Staff**

#### **Advocacy & Organizational Developments (Sarah Lochner)**

- Focused on advocacy, legislative efforts, and partnerships
- Highlights: hired communications staff, organized WIC event
- Conducted 64 legislator meetings, maintained four priority bills
- Increased social media presence
- Produced workforce videos and a comprehensive workforce report

#### **Rural Communications (Kate Szrom)**

- Kate Drum serves five Eastern Oregon counties
- Created emergency response communications
- Developed regional flu vaccine ad
- Focused on providing clear, accessible public health information

#### **Workforce Programs (Jenny Rudolph)**

- Jenny Rudolph manages workforce development



- Created LinkedIn job newsletter
- Developed public health career chat webinars
- Built academic partnerships
- Produced workforce development videos

#### **Health Rural Oregon Project (Madison Reithman and Janessa Wells)**

- Trained people in 35 of 36 Oregon counties
- Completed 46 unique training programs
- Supported 322 unique trainees
- Developed regional health workforce initiatives

#### **Program Manager Year in Review & Workforce Report Overview (Allison Mora)**

- Onboarded as program manager 11 months ago
  - Communications:
    - Curated 35 weekly briefs
    - Created 40 Instagram and 43 Facebook posts
    - Increased social media followers (14.7% Instagram, 10% Facebook)
    - Launched the CLHO ambassadors program as part of the legislative advocacy efforts
  - Designed and facilitated four workforce development webinars
  - Led the development of the 2025 CLO local public health workforce report
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### **CLHO FY2025-26 Budget | Discussion, VOTE | Speaker**

**Overview:** Sarah gave a thorough overview of the FY2025-26 Budget.

- Sara presented the proposed budget for FY 2025-2026, including income from dues, OHA support, rural communications, and other sources.
- The total income for the upcoming fiscal year is projected to be \$527,616, with expenses projected at \$437,246, resulting in a surplus of \$90,000.



- The budget includes funding for Jenny Rudolph's position, lobbying contractor, communications, trainers, web development, and other expenses.
- Sara emphasizes the importance of staying the course with the budget and being prepared to make adjustments in response to funding uncertainty.

**VOTE:** Jocelyn (Lane) motioned to approve. Florence (Lincoln) seconded. All remaining in favor. CLHO FY2025-26 budget approved.

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## **Legislative Updates | Updates | Sarah Lochner, CLHO ED**

**Overview:** Sarah Lochner gave an overview of the latest legislative updates impacting CLHO.

### **Legislative Session Status:**

- 38 organizational endorsements gathered
- 64 legislator meetings held
- Five-member lobbying days conducted
- Seven testimony panels organized
- Four priority bills are still alive

### **Key Bill Highlights:**

1. Addiction Primary Prevention Bill:
  - Passed out of committee unanimously, has bipartisan support and is headed to Ways and Means
2. Workforce Bill (House Bill 3916):
  - Aims to provide scholarships for: Community paramedics, community health workers and local public health staff
  - Currently in Ways and Means, awaiting funding
3. CCO Salon Bills (House Bill 2216 and 2222):
  - Related to the Healthy Rural Oregon grant and is still active in the legislative process



### **Other Legislative Developments:**

- Ongoing discussions about the revenue forecast
  - Potential impact of federal funding cuts
  - Continued advocacy for public health funding
  - Preparing end-of-session report
  - Working to maintain relationships with legislators and state agencies
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## **General Discussion & Member Announcements | Updates | CLHO Board Members**

### **Concerns About Federal Funding and DEI Policies:**

- Discussion about the potential impacts of federal policies on state funding
  - Concerns raised about local-level decision-making to avoid losing money
- Sarah Lochner acknowledged ongoing governmental challenges with DEI policies
- Recognized the complexity of maintaining DEI initiatives while preserving funding

### **Announcements:**

- Kari's term on the opioid settlement board is ending and she is willing to continue unless someone else is nominated
- The OSTPR Board meets on the first Wednesday of each month
- House Bill 2929 will create an administrator seat on the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission, and there is a call for nominations for the LPHA administrator seat. Sarah (CLHO) emphasised the importance of regular attendance, vocal advocacy and continued legislative engagement for the administrator that will fill this role.

### **General Legislative Next Steps:**

- Keep tracking legislative updates
- Conduct outreach to legislative representatives
- Prepare for potential future policy changes

**Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM**

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