Welcome and introductions Matt Morton, Youth Development Council Chair –
Chair Matt Morton called the meeting to order at 1:45p.m. Chair Morton then conducted the roll call of Council members. Brian Pham attended by phone. Chair Morton reminded the Council that the September 18, 2014 Youth Development Council (YDC) Meeting did not have a quorum, which is why during this meeting the YDC will be voting on three sets of minutes.

Approval of July 1, 2014, Youth Development Council Quarterly Meeting Summary -
Chair Morton called for a motion and a second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of July 31, 2014, Youth Development Council Special Meeting Summary -
Chair Morton called for a motion and a second. There was one abstention from Faye Fagel. The motion carried.

Approval of September 18, 2014 Youth Development Council Meeting Summary -
Chair Morton called for a motion and a second. There were abstentions from Martha Doyle and Frank Hanna-Williams. The motion carried.

Invited Testimony: Board of Jefferson County Commissioners, Commissioner Michael Ahern and Tom Machala Public Health Director, Jefferson County -
Tom Machala, Public Health Director of Jefferson County, wanted to explain to the YDC the importance of its funding to Jefferson County, which he explained is a diverse small county. He asked that the Council keep Warm Springs separate from Jefferson County when discussing funding. He
said Warm Springs is a sovereign nation and runs its programs parallel to Jefferson County, but does not serve Jefferson County residents not affiliated with the tribe. Chair Morton thanked them for their perspective and offered the YDC staff for technical assistance to better prepare them for the next grant funding cycle.

Approval of State Youth-Serving Agencies Phase 2 Report - Alicia Hays, Committee Lead and Brenda Brooks, Deputy Director

The State Youth-Serving Agencies Phase 2 Report was brought back a second time to the Council for approval since there was a lack of a quorum at the previous meeting. Alicia said that since the last meeting, the committee added two Council-requested highlighted recommendations to the report. Prior to the vote, Executive Director Bell said that once the Council approves the report, members will need to present the report to the Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB) and the 2015 Legislature. This report becomes the Council’s recommendations to those bodies of state agencies that serve our youth population in Oregon. Brenda Brooks said prior to the vote that one agency responded to a request for any revisions needing to be made. It included a few minor revisions from Oregon Youth Conservation Corps. Brenda said the adjustments would need to be made by ECONorthwest, the contractor handling the data spreadsheets and data portions of the report. The motion to accept the final report was made by Lolenzo Poe, seconded by Vice Chair Jay Dixon. All were in favor, with no abstentions, and the motion carried.

Juvenile Justice Updates- Chief John Teague, Juvenile Justice Lead

Three Year Plan Development for Formula Grant-

Chief John Teague informed the Council on the Three Year Plan development of the Federal Formula Grant for the YDC. He said the Council is required to set priorities for the 2015-2017 biennium. Chief Teague gave the list from the previous biennium. Plan elements included Compliance Monitoring; Disproportionate Minority Contact; Juvenile Justice System Improvement utilizing the Cross-Over Youth Practice Model and Gangs. Chief Teague described the solicitations and requirements for the new 2015-2017 biennium. The Juvenile Justice Committee will update the Council on their Three Year Plan recommendations at the next Council meeting in March.

Renewal Application of Extended Detention Program-

This renewal was brought to the Council’s September 18, 2014 Quarterly Meeting; there was not a quorum, therefore a vote was not taken. The renewal Application of Yamhill County, Extended Detention Program, passed unanimously and the motion carried.


The Council voted to take the Title XX Youth Investment sequestration funding cut across the board in all Youth and Community funding streams. If the funds are added back during the session, that will happen across the board. The funds are restored in the Governor’s Recommended Budget, but it must also go to the legislature for consideration.
On the second motion of changing the sizes of individual grants, the Council voted to leave the grant sizes intact.

Third, the Council decided the recipients of 14-15 Fiscal Year grants will not be awarded additional Program Performance Metrics bonus points in this next round of funding for the Request for Application process in 2015-2017, but will be included in the next full round following the current biennium, in 2017-2019. The Council felt that there should be a “level playing field for all” during a full biennial round of performance measures.

**Committee Progress Reports – Committee Leads**

**Employment/Internships/Career Development - Agnes Balassa, Governor’s Workforce Policy Advisor**

This committee report was moved to the next Council meeting, as Agnes was unable to attend. Chair Matt Morton noted the committee to henceforth be named the Youth Workforce Committee, still staffed by Brenda Brooks.

**Juvenile Justice Committee – Chief John Teague**

Chief Teague highlighted the areas of committee work, federal grant priorities for funding allocation and the RFP process, reviewing compliance monitoring, systems and procedures development, and a review of data collection. Chief Teague also mentioned supporting the state and local efforts to reduce racial and ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system. Council member Faye Fagel spoke to the Council about the implementation of the Crossover Youth Practice Model in Marion County. The model creates policies and procedures for youth who have suffered neglect, abuse and trauma in their lives and what role that plays in moving the youth into the juvenile justice system. Crossover youth are those in the welfare system, who then cross over into the juvenile justice system. It was important to find ways to address those youth differently with a sensitivity to their abuse and neglect histories, to keep the youth out of the juvenile justice system, or to prevent further penetration into the juvenile justice system.

**Educational Supports and Developmental Assets - Lolenzo Poe**

Lolenzo Poe said in the interest of time he asked the Council to read his report. The committee’s primary work plan objectives have been anchored around the development, implementation, and modification of the YDC Community Investment Strategy.

**Prevention/Intervention Committee – Ted Martinez**

Prevention/Intervention Workgroup meetings have led to the sharing of resources, information, and media releases relating to youth gang involvement with the purpose of understanding how to best serve gang-affected youth throughout Oregon. Information about the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Comprehensive Gang Model has been shared and discussed, as well as how gang-affected youth often suffer from trauma. The Prioritization of Funding Youth Gang Prevention Intervention Report was presented to the Oregon Education Investment Board, including Governor Kitzhaber, outlining recommendations for funding programs and services aimed at improving the lives of gang-affected youth throughout Oregon.

The committee has gained information about the realities and challenges of gang-affected youth through local coverage of gang related activity, videos, and documentaries that were shared with committee members and later discussed during meetings.
Research, Evaluation, and Data Committee—Mary Arnold
Mary Arnold was unable to attend this meeting; the Council was asked to read the report.

State Youth Serving Agencies—Alicia Hays
Because this report was given earlier in the meeting, no additional information was needed.

Director’s Report—Iris Bell, Executive Director

Governor’s Budget:
Executive Director Iris Bell wanted to inform the Council about the education component in the Governor’s Budget for the 2015-2017 biennium. She wanted the Council to understand that the 34% increase noted for the YDC in the Governor’s Budget actually represents the doubling of Youth & Innovation funds. The 2013-2015 Youth & Innovation Grant funds totaling $1.6 million came from the old Commission System. In the 2015-2017 Governor’s Budget, the Youth & Innovation Grant fund automatically doubles into the full biennium, suggesting that the YDC received a 34% increase, when in fact it is just an automatic doubling of a single year of funding. Moving forward, Iris told the YDC the division will remain at Current Service Level, and given the possibilities of sequestration there is reason for concern. During the upcoming legislative session, the Council is going to try to maintain the sequestered federal Youth Investment Title XX funds and try to get them backfilled, restored with State General Fund dollars. Iris also addressed the Casey Program, telling the Council that the funds went away after the abolishing of the old Commission System. Iris then gave the Council a snapshot of YDC accomplishments over the past two years.

Public Testimony:
No public testimony was given.

Next Meeting:
March 19, 2015 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Adjourned:
The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.