



## MEETING NOTES

### Region 1-B-B Family Council Meeting

Location: Zoom

Date & Time: 5/16/2023, From 5:00pm-7:00pm

**Members present:** Azucena Galvez (Oak Park), Cindy Albor (Stickney), Jukselin Nuñez (Northlake), Juana Avila (Cicero)

**Members absent:** Edith Vargas (Westchester)

### 5:03 pm-Agenda Review

- Regional Needs Assessment (RNA) Dissemination Plan
- Polls for the summer meeting dates
- Poll for Region 1-B-B Celebration

### 5:05 pm-Dissemination Plan

- Family & Community Engagement (FACE) Specialist discussed the rough draft Dissemination Plan for the RNA with Council members.
- The FACE Specialist explained the plan and process used to create it.
- The FACE Specialist gathered feedback for the Dissemination Plan, including what information is missing.

### 5:05pm-Who? What? When? Where? Why?

- The FACE Specialist informed that this summer Region 1-B-B will intentionally gather additional input on the inclusionary process.

### 5:06pm-Share with who?

The FACE Specialist discussed with who Region 1-B-B plans to share the Needs Assessment with:

- The school districts in Region 1-B-B have been contacted and work is continuously being done to reach more in the area.
- The local collaborations that have been contacted are listed below:
  - All our Kids Networks
  - The Collaboration for Early Childhood



- Pending contact with other collaborations in the Region who serve priority populations:
  - Cicero Community Collaborative
  - Proviso Township Mental Health Commission
  - Wellness West
  - West Cook County Housing Collaborative
- Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (CCR&Rs)
- Elected Officials
- Businesses
- Libraries-contacted
- Faith leaders/places of worship
- Parent/family groups

**5:14pm- Strategies and mediums to share the Regional Needs Assessment are:**

- Town hall meeting.
- Schools offering Head Start/ EHS.
- Parent Association at school (PTOs)
- Attended library listening sessions throughout the Region.
- Latino Associations (Bienvenido Paisano).
- Check with churches in the community and leave information on their bulletin boards.
- Community events:
  - Council members recommended team 1-B-B to ask the hosts of community events to give us space to speak with the attendees of their events.
- Leave infographic in the WIC offices of the Region.
- Speak with people as well as provide them with flyers.
- The FACE Specialist asked Council members for their thoughts on hosting a Facebook live.
  - Member feedback was added to slides.

**5:25 pm-Areas of our Region hardest to engage are listed below.**

The FACE Specialist showed a map of Region 1-B-B to the Council members to show the communities that are hardest to engage.

- Burr Ridge



- Countryside
- Hines
- Hodgkins
- La Grange Highlands
- La Grange Park
- McCook
- Norridge
- North Riverside
- River Grove
- Riverside
- Rosemont
- Schiller Park
- Western Springs

**5:33pm- How can we reach community members from those areas?**

- Council members recommended Region 1-B-B team to target the clinics in the area that provide specialized services for children.
- Council members recommend contacting the schools in Region 1-B-B to ask permission to attend parent nights.

**5:37pm- Do you have connections we can utilize?**

- A member shared she will speak with the Social Worker at PAEC school.
- A member shared she will send information to their Early Intervention Therapist.

**5:48pm- Voices missing from our Regional Needs Assessment:**

- The FACE Specialist provided the list of voices they are looking for:
  - Single fathers
  - Parents with a disability
  - Families who are experiencing homelessness or housing instability
  - Migrants or seasonal worker

**5:53pm-You Voted: Pieces of the Regional Needs Assessment most important to highlight.**

- Council members' feedback was added to the slides.

**5:56pm-Poll for Summer Meetings and Poll for Region 1-B-B Celebration**



- The Council voted on the dates for the summer Family Council meetings and their thoughts on celebration ideas.

#### **6:01pm- Next Steps**

- The FACE Specialist provided information on what the team is currently working on and what the future is to get the word out for the Regional Needs Assessment.
  - The week of May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Regional Needs Assessment is due.
  - The Action Council and Family Council meet and greet is still pending.
  - The participants were informed of the Community Dissemination of Early Childhood Regional Needs Assessment will take place over the summer.
- Gentle reminders were provided to the participants.
  - Virtual on were to find the slides for each weeks presentation.

#### **6:02pm-Meeting adjourned**