



MEETING NOTES

Region 48 Action Council Meeting

Date & Time: January 17, 2023, 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Council Members present: Angela Green, Michael Murphy, Jenna Wiesner, Laura Costic, Erin Stout, Shannon Dault, Kimberly Cary, Bryna Ryan

Welcome, Introductions, Review of Community Agreements

Notes: Kari welcomed members and had the regional team introduce themselves to the group. Council members introduced themselves. The group reviewed the Community Agreements. No requests for changes were mentioned.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Facebook Group, Trainings, Family Council Update, Community Collaborations Recap

Notes: Kari updated the Council on the Region 48 Facebook group and trainings available through Partner.Plan.Act. She indicated that the Family Council has one seat open for a member to represent the southern portion of the region, and that submission forms will close January 27th. A recap of Community Collaborations was presented.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Priority Populations Presentation

Notes: Kari presented about Priority Populations, including the background, criteria to be considered a Priority Population, and the populations that qualify as a Priority Population. Kari identified challenges in Illinois regarding collecting data about Priority Populations. Limited data for Region 48 was presented.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A



Small Group Work

Notes: Members were separated into breakout rooms on Zoom. Each group discussed four Priority Population scenarios and determined a few of each scenario's barriers to accessing ECEC services and the root causes of those barriers. No notes were taken while members were in small groups.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Large Group Discussion

Notes: The small group work was shared and discussed with the large group. For follow-up, overarching questions included: "What does this information tell us about our region?" and "What data is needed and/or who should we talk to so that we more clearly understand the experiences of priority populations?" Members felt they more clearly understood the needs of some Priority Populations. We need to discuss with those that are Priority Populations to find out if these are indeed the barriers they are experiencing. The Family Council includes members who may be a Priority Population, and they are an advisory council for the Action Council. We may also want to use focus groups to find out more information.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Wrap-Up, Next Meeting

Notes: N/A

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

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Follow-up/Next Steps: N/A

Next Meeting:

Date: Friday, February 3, 2023

Time: 9:30am-11:30am

Location: Hybrid – Region 48 regional office or Zoom