



Meeting Notes

Region 21 Action Council Meeting

Date & Time: Monday, March 20th, 5:00-7:00pm

Council Members present: Johna Schullian (McKinney-Vento Grant Director), Missy Brown (Child Care Resource and Referral Director), Lee Eklund (Malone's Early Learning Center Executive Director), and Kathy Keel (Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) Coordinator for Williamson County Education Services).

Council Members absent: Phillip Hosfeldt (Dean of System Programs/Johnson County Early Childhood Coordinator), Barbara Green (Family Child Care Owner), Jennifer Parks (Southern Seven Health Department/Head Start Early Childhood Administrator), Candy Lewis (Yellow Brick Road Owner), Patsy Jensen (Shawnee Health Services Executive Director), Jamie Ragan (Local Early Childhood or Education Collaboration Member), Terrance Henry (City of Marion IT Director), Pamela Thrash (Parent Education for Southern Region Early Childhood Programs), Barbara Timmons (Owner and CEO at Miz BJ's Hair Haven), and Edrica McDowell (Community Services Manager at Centerstone).

5:00 Welcome/Icebreaker (10 minutes)

Facilitator(s): Tonya Frehner, Regional Council Manager

Notes:

- International Day of Happiness Icebreaker Completed

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

5:10: Family Council Update (10 minutes)

Facilitator(s): Chelsi Diles, Family and Community Engagement Specialist

Notes:

- Update given on the progress of the Family Council.
- Quotes were shared with council that have been added to the scan.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

5:20 Strengths and Needs (25 minutes)

Facilitator: Tonya Frehner, Regional Council Manager

Notes:



- Review and discussion of strengths and needs.
- Strengths and needs were prioritized.
- Council members worked in small breakout groups to compose strength statements.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

5:45 Recommendations (50 minutes)

Facilitator: Tonya Frehner, Regional Council Manager

Notes:

- Group discussion was had, and committee members were tasked to write recommendations that tie to the prioritized needs.
- Recommendations will be continued at next meeting.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

6:35: Regional Scan Review (25 minutes)

Facilitator: Tonya Frehner, Regional Council Manager

Notes:

- Regional Scan sections including Regional Demographics, Local Community Collaborations, and ECEC Programs were reviewed for edits and feedback.
- Action Council members are tasked to review these sections and send all feedback by Friday, March 24th at 4:00pm.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: Send feedback on Regional Demographics, Local Community Collaborations and ECEC Programs by Friday, March 24th at 4:00pm.

6:55: Follow-Up/Next Steps- (5 minutes)

Facilitator: Tonya Frehner, Regional Council Manager

- Send feedback on Regional Demographics, Local Community Collaborations and ECEC Programs by Friday, March 24th at 4:00pm.
- Continued discussion on recommendations.
- Dissemination Plan

Next Meeting:

Date: April 24, 2023

Time: 1:00-3:00pm