



MEETING NOTES

Region 21 Action Council Meeting

Date & Time: Monday, February 27th, 1:00-3:00pm

Council Members present: Barbara Green (Family Child Care Owner), Jennifer Parks (Southern Seven Health Department/Head Start Early Childhood Administrator), Missy Brown (Child Care Resource and Referral Director), 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).

Council Members absent: Johna Schullian (McKinney-Vento Grant Director), Phillip Hosfeldt (Dean of System Programs/Johnson County Early Childhood Coordinator), Kathy Keel (Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) Coordinator for Williamson County Education Services, Candy Lewis (Yellow Brick Road Owner), Lee Eklund (Malone's Early Learning Center Executive Director), Patsy Jensen (Shawnee Health Services Executive Director), and Jamie Ragan (Local Early Childhood or Education Collaboration Member)

1:00-1:10 Welcome/ Icebreaker (10 minutes)

Notes:

- Icebreaker
- Community Agreements were reviewed with a reminder that they are a living, breathing document and we can revisit/edit it at any time.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

1:10-1:25 Family Council Update (15 minutes)

Notes:

- Update on Family Council work and progress.
- Update on Focus Groups/Interviews/Surveys
- Upcoming discussion topics and timelines were presented.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: Updates on Family Council progress will continue at each meeting.

1:25-1:30 Reflection (5 minutes)

Notes:

- Recap of progress and summary of findings of work to date.



Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: Reflection will continue at each meeting.

1:30-2:25 Parents, Caregivers, and Families (55 minutes)

Notes:

- Group Simulation completed for WALK a MILE in THEIR SHOES Activity and group discussion followed.
- Discussion on preassigned activity was completed and interviews were turned in to Regional Council Manager.

Next Steps: N/A

2:25-2:55 Regional Scan Review (30 minutes)

Notes:

- Council members reviewed Thank you Letter, Regional Boundaries, Regional Demographics and Slot Gap write up.

Decisions made: Send suggestions and edits to Tonya Frehner by February 28th at 4:00pm.

Next Steps: Council will be updated often and provided the scan for review as progress is completed.

2:55-3:00 Next Steps (5 minutes)

Notes:

- Updates on Family Council progress will continue at each meeting.
- Reflection will continue at each meeting.
- Action Council will be updated often and provided the scan for review as progress is completed.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A