



## MEETING NOTES

### Region 45 Action Council Meeting

Date & Time: January 12, 2023, 2-4pm

Council Members present:

- Ashley Schanks
- Anne Riley
- Tara Knop
- Rebekah Hillerman
- Suzi Kollmann
- Rachel Marshall

Council Members absent:

- Aubrey O'Riley
- Lauri Koen
- Richelle Metz
- Melissa Duncan
- Gina Harberl
- Richelle Metz
- Brittany Rongey

#### **2:00: Welcome (5 Minutes)**

Candace Gardner – Regional Council Manager

Chris Herrmann – Administrative Assistant

Notes:

Decisions made: Meeting binders were shared with data slides, resources, and meeting cadences

Next Steps: N/A

#### **2:05: Community Agreement & Discussion (15 Minutes)Notes:**

Decisions made: Overview of data constructed questions and the data that will be covered in the meeting.

Next Steps: N/A



**2:20: Slot Gap Data (1 hour 30 minutes)**

Notes: Candace presented slot gap data for Monroe & Randolph County

Decisions made: Various data do not reflect actual slot gap data for the region. The number of children eligible for enrollment in early childhood education and care programs and services, compared to the number of available slots.

Often, there are more children eligible for an ECEC slot than available slots, resulting in some children not having access to ECEC programs and services.

Discussed publicly funded programs for the region, capacity, and lack of regional coverage.

Susi Kollmann gave us an overview of the new Child Care Assistance Program changes and an insight on data in our region.

Next Steps: Regional Council Manager will draft up this portion of the regional scan based on the information provided by the council and bring it back for review.

**3:50: Meeting Schedule & Location & Hybrid Discussion (10 Minutes)**

Notes: Set the date of the next meeting for January 24th, 2023, 2-4 pm

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: Follow up with meeting notes and meeting request