

## **MEETING NOTES**

# **Region 50 Action Council Meeting**

Location: St. Clair Regional Office

Date & Time: 11/17/22, 2:00pm-4:00pm

Council Members present: Kaelin Richardson, Carolyn Jason, Jalyn King (for LaToya Greenwood), Gina Harding, Shamyra Brown, Chinita King, Gina Ruther, Jessica Seger

Council Members absent: Mark Eichenlaub, Kendall Perry, Jen Knepper, Angela Fraley, Regina Greer, Janice Moenster, Sheri Kraus, Brenda Crisp

Staff: Stephanie Herling, Shameka Brown, Tabitha Luczak

# 2:00pm Welcome & Introductions & Review of Community Agreements (20 min)

Notes: Three new members were welcomed over Zoom and one in person. The remaining new Council Members unable to attend were named for the group. Decisions made: Council Members reviewed and added to the community agreements.

Next Steps: Action Council members who were not present will review and comment on the updated community agreement.

### 2:20pm Reflection on Early Childhood (25 min)

Notes: Council Members looked at the current member's titles, organizations affiliated, and locations represented to reflect on those who may be missing from the table. Members listed suggestions of who might fill the gaps of representation to represent a variety of voices across the county.

Decisions made: Members focused on pinpointing distinct connections to fill the missing representation for staff to reach out to gauge interest in participating in Focus Groups.

Next Steps: Staff will connect with suggested representatives to gauge interest in participating in an upcoming focus group.







#### 2:45pm Review Demographics (15 min)

Notes: PowerPoint presentation was shared explaining data around children in school districts.

Decisions made: n/a

Next Steps: Look further into data that can support questions raised by the

council.

#### 3:00pm Small Groups (30 min)

Notes: The Council Members were broken into smaller groups to answer questions based on the Regional Scan.

Decisions made: Information was shared to help expand on the current data. Next Steps: Continue to connect and collaborate with additional stakeholders to collect further information.

#### 3:30pm Report out and Questions (15 min)

Notes: Members discussed that poverty would look different for each city/town in St. Clair County.

Decisions made: Action Council Members will continue to look at the data to bring questions and thoughts back to the whole council.

Next Steps: Reach out to active community partners that currently serve and support families birth to five to see if they have data or information that can help answer questions.

#### 3:45pm Connections (15 min)

Notes: Family Council progress was shared with the Members.

Decisions made: Family Council is still in need of a more diverse representation. Next Steps: Council Members will share our flyer with families in the communities we do not currently have representation.

#### Follow-up/Next Steps:

Next Meeting: December 6, 2022, 9:00am-11:00am Next Steps:

- Action Council members who were not present will review and comment on the updated community agreement.
- Staff will connect with suggested representatives to gauge interest in participating in an upcoming focus group.
- Look further into data that can support questions raised by the council.
- Continue to connect and collaborate with additional stakeholders to collect further information.
- Reach out to active community partners that currently serve and support families birth to five to see if they have data or information that can help answer questions.
- Council Members will share our flyer with families in the communities we do not currently have representation.