



## MEETING NOTES

### Region 3 Family Council Meeting

Date & Time: 04/24/23, 5:00pm-7:00pm

Council Members Present: Brittany Smith, Shelby Funneman, Alicia Logue, Fawn Terrwilliger

Council Members Absent: Kelsi Thompson, Judith Hopkins, Bethany Radcliffe, Tessa Phillips, Kristen Kelley

5:00pm: Welcome

5:20pm: Regional Scan Review

Notes:

- Recommendations
  - Programs
    - Reviewed data going into the scan – no council recommendations
      - Program capacities – publicly funded
        - EC Education Programs
          - Head Start (Early Head Start)
            - C.E.F.S. & BCMW (no program in Greenville)
            - PFA/PFAE programs taking all the enrollment
            - Head Start pay is not equivalent to other similar programs – hard to get staff
            - Grants are written in an unequitable way
              - One county gets a large amount of funds, and one county over is struggling to find funds for transportation for equal student numbers
          - ExceleRate Licensed Circle of Quality
          - Special Education
          - Special Intervention
            - IFSP/IEP
        - Licensed child care centers – reviewed data going into the scan
          - CCAP slots (CCR&R)
          - Licensed Family Child Care Home
          - Licensed exempt family child care home



- Quality, Accessibility, Affordability – what do I need to highlight?
- Workforce – no council recommendations
  - Diversity
    - Workforce is representative of the Region
  - Initiatives in the Region to Support Staff – Effingham Grant
    - Planning Grant through Birth to Five Illinois
  - Training and Education
    - Highschool
    - Community Colleges and University
    - Gateways programs/Star Net
  - Staffing affects slot gap
  - Quality
  - Teacher/Staff Retention
- Parent/Family/Caregiver Engagement

6:50pm: Review Next Meeting Time and Location

Notes: reviewed next meeting information – joint meeting with Action Council

Decisions Made: asked members to notify Birth to Five staff if they are unable to attend

Next Steps: send meeting invitation via email

7:00pm: Adjourn

Next Meeting

Date: May 1, 2023

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Zoom