



MEETING NOTES

Region 21 Family Council Meeting

Date & Time: 12/08/22, 6:00pm-7:30pm

Council Members present: Emmalee McPheron, Amber Elledge, Amy Cocuyo, Mitch McClellan, Karen Beach, Serina Goff, Emily Crowell, Stephanie Caudle, Lindsey Bridgewater, Rose Arvieux, and Ashley Scott

Council Members absent: Meredith Ruble, Beth Ward, Ashley Godinez, and Ursula Cooley

6:00 Welcome & Introductions of any new members/Icebreaker Activity (10 min)

Notes:

- Snowman Icebreaker

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

6:10 Review Community Agreements (5 min)

Notes:

- Facilitator(s): Chelsi Diles, Family and Community Engagement Specialist
- Community Agreements were reviewed

Decisions made: Will remain a living document and will remain at the forefront of the committee work.

Next Steps: N/A

6:15 Action Council Updates (10 min)

Notes:

- Facilitator(s): Tonya Frehner, Regional Council Manager
- Regional Council Manager gave update on Action Council progress and discussions to date regarding slot gap and priority populations.

Decisions made: Regional Manager will continue to update Family Council on Action Council Progress.

Next Steps: N/A



6:25 Understanding Community Collaborations (15 min)

Notes:

- Facilitator(s): Chelsi Diles, Family and Community Engagement Specialist
- PowerPoint was used to define Community Collaborations and show the strength in collaborations in Region 21
- An overview was provided as to the collaboration landscape of Region 21 including the Southern Illinois Coalition for Children and Families (SIFCC) and Johnson County Cabinet for Children and Youth (JCCCY)
Discussions ensued how Birth to Five Illinois: Region 21 and the existing and emerging collaborations can partner together to build strength in the region

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

6:40 Priority Populations (35 min)

Notes:

- Facilitator(s): Chelsi Diles, Family and Community Engagement Specialist
- Priority populations were defined
- Group discussion identified priority populations specific to our region.
- PowerPoint was used to define Priority Populations, review Federal Poverty Levels, Household Languages, and McKinney Vento data

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

7:15 Debrief/Next Steps (15 min)

Notes:

- Facilitator(s): Chelsi Diles, Family and Community Engagement Specialist
- Group discussion ensured existing support programs for priority populations and the impact of COVID on the existing supports
- Information was provided to council for Early Childhood Foundational Trainings and Southern Illinois Coalition for Families

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Follow-up/Next Steps:

- Regional Council Manager will continue to update Family Council on Action Council Progress
- Next Family Council meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2023, from 6-7:30 at the Vienna Birth to Five Illinois: Region 21 Office