



## 2nd Meeting AGENDA

Region **26** Family Council Meeting

Location: Zoom Virtual

Date & Time: Monday, November 21, 2022, 6-7:30 pm

**Present-** Tori Buckert, Carla Ford, Orinda Gillham, Claire Happel Ashe, Paul Larson, Kelly Nelson, Lacie McGraw, Shannon McKee.

**Absent-** Krystin Brown, Brodie Irish, Casey Morgan, Jacey Rumler, Miranda Pribble, Amanda Trone, Elizabeth Van Hove, Destiny Ward

**Welcome & Introductions (10 min)**

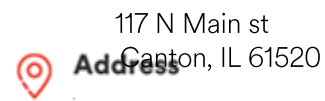
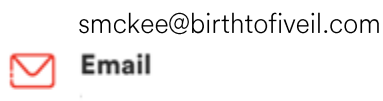
**Facilitator(s):** Shannon McKee- Regional Family and Community Engagement Specialist

**Decisions made:** N/A **Next Steps:** N/A

**Icebreaker (20 min)**

**Facilitator(s):** Shannon McKee, Paul Larson

**Decisions made:** N/A **Next Steps:** N/A





**Review Roles & Responsibilities of Family Council Members (5 min)**

**Decisions made: N/A**

**Next Steps: Photo release, and Family stipend form sent to Family Council members in attendance via email.**

**What is Meaningful Family Engagement? What Does it Look Like for the Family Council? (20 min)**

**Facilitator(s): Shannon McKee, Paul Larson**

**Decisions made:**

**Family Council members' input**

- **Communities coming together**
- **Active versus Passive Parenting, knowing what rights as parents, to voice their concerns.**
- **Ability to give parents a voice and let their opinions be heard in education. Parents know what's best for their children but do not always know how to engage**
- **Process and Outcome**
- **Effective partnership and sharing responsibilities to be supportive and support others.**



- **ENGAGING FAMILIES IDEAS**
  - Social media posts, Mom groups, word of mouth, Volunteering at park district events, handing out/post flyers(laundromat, restaurants) home visits in the more rural areas, weekend events, large employers
  - Families are most likely engaged when it is fun or exciting and when they are with like-minded people
  
- **What prevents family engagement?**
  - Mental Health, Confidence, childcare and the access to it during the off times, communication/ not knowing about the event/service, lack of access to transportation, event times (usually during the working day, working parents can't attend), Conflicting schedules.

**Next Steps: N/A**

**Community Agreements Review with Link Needed (10 min)**

**Can add be patient, don't interrupt**

**Decisions made: This document is a working document and is subject to change.**

**Next Steps: N/A**



## Demographics Landscape (20 min)

### Decisions made:

- **Family Council members' opinion on uniqueness**
  - **Farmlands, factories, high volume of section 8 availability, lots of driving to get to where you need to go, Diversity in towns due to factories and farms. County seats. Nauvoo is Mormon based with lots of tourism. What our region is doing well: Good community support, overlap in community support, acceptance of students, generous**
- **Regional problems/opinions**
  - **Not enough childcare buildings/providers, providers are not in the areas that are needed, time that is offered for providers do not work for the factory populations. Childcare is too expensive for the area/population we service. Waitlists are very long, hard to find a job that will work with childcare hours.**
  - **The number of the non-speaking English population is lower than expected.**
- **Why is this data important to include?**
  - **Family council members stated "to move forward we have to know where we are. We have to know the barriers to know what to overcome. "**
  - **"We need to be engaged to know how to help, if you don't know where the problems are you don't know how to help"**
  - **We need to know the needs of the community to fill the need.**
- **What Additional data would you like to see included?**



- Family council members stated
  - How many parents in the region need care
  - How many childcare openings there are
  - a percentage of children with special needs
  - How many people would work if they had access to care vs how many would not?
  - Percentage of parents that are happy with the care they receive.
  - How do we compare to the regions around us

**Next Steps: N/A**

**Training Support for the Family Council (10 min)**

**Decisions made: N/A Next Steps: N/A**

Next meeting: December 12, 2022, 6:00-7:30 pm

Location: