



Meeting Minutes

Region 1-B-D Cook North Action Council Meeting

Location: Virtual or in person

Date & Time: June 5th, 2023, 3:00 pm-5:00 pm

Action Council members present: Olga Khamichonak , Agnieszka Moroni, Bettye Cohns, Clare Giuffrida, Amy Cocorikis, Susan Cerza, Lisa Merdinger, Carrie Rafalski, Vikki Podlipni, Tina Vanderwarker, Casche Knox, Kristen Ford

Action Council members absent:, Chris Tokarski Natalie Wood, , Peter J. Smith, John Ranieri, Edward Russell, Michele Ramsey, Cori Mohr, Kate Warach

3:00 pm: Welcome/ Review of Community Agreements/ Regional Updates (20 minutes)

Icebreaker:

Notes: Ilinca welcomed Action Council members reminding them of the upcoming council's celebration picnic that will take place on Thursday, June 8. Ilinca reviewed the community agreement.

Ilinca suggested dates for the next meeting in July and August. Action Council members agreed that the next meeting in July will be held on the 10th and the next August meeting on the 14th. Ilinca informed members that on June 12 the recruitment for councils will begin. She informed Action Council members about the upcoming dissemination plan for the summer months and noted that members' help would be needed.

Decision made: N/A

Next Steps: Nina will send calendar invitations for July and August meetings.

Facilitator(s): Ilinca Wallace

3:20 pm: Regional Needs Assessment Overview (50 minutes)

Notes: Ilinca reviewed key points in each section of the Regional Needs Assessment

Decision made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Facilitator: Ilinca Wallace

4:10 pm: 10-minute Break



4:20pm: Dissemination Plan (34 minutes)

Notes: Ilinca presented the purpose/goal of the Dissemination Plan

Action Council members discussed the goal for the summer to reach more voices.

1. Who do we need to connect with and share the Regional Needs Assessment?
2. What groups are not represented, and who do we need to connect with?
3. What upcoming community events/meetings can Region 1-B-D be part of this summer?

Large group discussion

- We need to connect with the pediatricians
- Connect with libraries
- Reach families that weren't already reaching- faith-based leaders?
- Village newsletter
- Evanston Cradle to Career will present the RNA in the partner's meeting (school districts, Northwestern University)
- United Palatine Coalition will discuss how they can help to connect with other organizations
- RNA will be presented on an Early intervention coalition meeting
- Some Action Council members will connect with politicians
- Action Council members will connect with different programs with parents
- Social media posts will be shared on the collaboration pages

Decision made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Facilitator: Ilinca Wallace

4:55 pm: Update from the Family Council (1 minutes)

Recruitment for Family Council members

Decision made: Moved to the next meeting.

Next Steps: N/A

Facilitator: Irene Di Minervino

4:56 pm: Questions/Comments/Reflections (4 minutes)

Decision made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Next Meeting: Monday, July 10th, 3:00 pm- 5:00 pm

Date: July 10th, 2023

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