



MEETING NOTES

Region 50 Action Council Meeting

Date & Time: March 14, 2023, 9:00am-11:00am

Council Members Present: Angela Farley, Aimme Hart, Gina Harding, Shamyra Brown, Janice Moenster, Jessica Segar, Florence Cheers-Lawrence, Chinita King

Council Members Absent: Regina Greer, LaToya Greenwood, Mark Eichenlaub, Jen Knepper, Kendall Perry, Carolyn Jason, Kaelin Richardson, Gina Ruther, Sheri Kraus

Staff: Stephanie Herling, Shameka Brown, and Madeline Graham

9:00am Welcome & Introductions to Collaborations Discussion (15min)

Notes:

- Introductions were made, and announcements were given.

Decisions Made:

- Informational flyer will be emailed to Action Council Members.

Next Steps:

- Action Council Members were asked to share information about our upcoming Parent Focus Group on March 22, 2023.

9:15am Review of Early Childhood Education and Care Workforce (45 min)

Notes:

- Workforce data in St. Clair County was reviewed.

Decisions Made:

- Action Council members with additional thoughts can add them to the workforce survey.

Next Steps:

- Action Council Members who could not attend will respond to the workforce document and contact Birth to Five Illinois: Region 50 staff with any questions.

10:00am Small Group Discussion of Workforce Information (30 min)

Notes:



- Discussions were conducted around the following Illinois Gateway Registry, Credentials, Scholarship, the ECACE Illinois scholarship, and additional programs offered to support the workforce.

Decisions Made:

- N/A

Next Steps:

- Birth to Five Illinois: Region 50 staff with follow-up answers to Action Council members' questions during the discussion.

10:30am Update and Review of Scan for Region 50 (30 min)

Notes:

- Action Council members and Region 50 staff briefly discussed the Regional Scan.

Decisions Made:

- If you would like to participate in the editing and review process, please email Region 50 staff.

Next Steps:

- Region 50 staff members will email information concerning the Regional Scan to Action Council members to review and provide feedback.

Announcements:

- Please help us spread the word about our upcoming Focus Groups to your families and staff.

Follow-up/Next Steps:

- Action Council Members were asked to share information about our upcoming Parent Focus Group on March 22, 2023.
- Action Council Members who could not attend will respond to the workforce document and reach out to Birth to Five Illinois: Region 50 staff with any questions.
- Birth to Five Illinois: Region 50 staff followed up with answers to Action Council members' questions during the discussion.
- Region 50 staff members will email information about the Regional Scan to Action Council members to review and provide feedback.