



## Family Council New Member Orientation Meeting

Angela Ballard, Kamilat Soyege, Ebony Taylor

Date: September 19, 2023, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

### Attendees

Council members present: Kamilat Soyege

Council members absent: Angela Ballard, Ebony Taylor

### Agenda

1. Introductions
  - a. The Region 1-B-C Team introduces themselves to the new Family Council Members. The new Family Council Members introduced themselves as well.
2. Ice breaker
  - a. What's for dinner? Family Council Members and Region 1-B-C Team share dinner plans as an icebreaker to start the meeting.
3. Welcome to the Council!
  - a. Jaime Garibay, our Family and Community Engagement Specialist welcomes new members to the Region 1-B-C Family Council and asks if there are any questions so far.
4. Family Council meetings
  - a. Meeting cadence
    - i. Jaime breaks down the meeting cadence, explaining that we may have in-person and virtual meetings.
  - b. Participation
    - i. Jaime discussed that all members of the Family Council are required to participate and be present, if possible, at any time this cannot happen to notify the Region 1-B-C Team.
  - c. Absences
    - i. Jaime explained that attendance is very important, and if you cannot hold any meetings, let us know before the meeting and in case of an emergency to keep an open line of communication.
5. Orientation Guide
  - a. Jaime G. reviewed the Family Council Orientation Guide, State Team, webpages, and Early Childhood Regional Needs Assessment Report.
6. Parent stipends
  - a. Jaime explains the process for the stipend and how much it will be quarterly.



7. Year 1 work
  - a. Jaime G. breaks down what Region 1-B-C, Cook County South worked on during our first year as a new state initiative.
8. Year 2 work
  - a. Jaime G. explained what to expect during year two and that things are constantly changing, and we just pivot where we can.

### **Before the next meeting...**

- Confirm/complete demographic information, email, phone number, and mailing address.
- Google Drive Access
- Photo Release and Stipend Agreement
- Next Meeting will be September 26, 2023 5:30-7:30 pm via Zoom.