



Family Council Member Meeting.

Date: October 25, 2023, 6:00pm-7:30pm.

Attendees.

Council members present: Christina Erwin, Claudia Mercado, Hunter Stahl, Kerishena Metz, Laurel Huston, Megan Crookham, and Shelby Hall.

Agenda.

1. Introductions.
2. Icebreaker.
3. Group agreements.
4. Smart Goals.
5. Recommendation 1.

Notes: Melissa provided a recap from the last Family and Action Council meeting. The Family Council agreed with the Action Council's direction of creating or finding a list or tool that families can use to determine if a center is the right fit for their child with special needs. They also feel creating a list of centers that provide specialized care for different needs would be helpful to families. To help define inclusion from a professional perspective, it was suggested to look at different entities to see what their definition is. Center definitions can be determined from mission statements/philosophies or self-reported on a Google form. Families should also be sent a Google form to determine their definition of inclusion. The goal is to have 50% or more responses. Families will be reached using various platforms such as social media, flyers, email, etc. The questionnaire should be brief, with a deadline for responses, plus one extension with a reminder. This can be re-evaluated based on the number of responses. The overall goal should be able to be completed in six months. There likely is no funding available for this goal. Implementation is successful when the tool is widely available to parents to use. This will empower families to make more informed decisions for their children's care.

Before next meeting...

- Consider what other SMART Goals need to be included for Recommendation 1.