



Action Council Meeting Notes

Date: Thursday, October 12, 2023.

Attendees

Action Council Members present: Kayla Miller, Connie Shugart, Laurie Rhodes, Kendra Day, Mitch Baker, Christine Craddock, Laura Pickrell, Lajewell White, Jamar Scott, Elizabeth Lerch, Katie Estes, Lakeisha Purchase, Shelly Roat, Tiffani Saunders, and Ashley Reynolds.

Agenda

1. Introductions for New/Old Members.
2. Icebreaker and Community Agreements.
3. CQI Planning Agenda for the Council meeting and Questions. Review Workgroup/Recommendations Council Members selected.
 - a. Notes: Confirmed that all Council members had chosen a Recommendation workgroup and that email invites for those meetings were sent to them.
4. Future Council & Workgroup Meeting Dates & Times.
5. Guest Speaker/Video: Tia Kneuvean from Capital Area Career Center the Early Childhood Education and Care Department and Questions.
 - a. Notes: The Council talked about what population this program would appeal to and how to best gain other populations. They also discussed how to increase interest in the Early Childhood Education and Care career path. The navigators are talking to Early Childhood professionals who are already in the field and it was shared how some do not want to go back to school due to home life or family barriers, so these grants are not being used to gain more lead teachers to open vacant rooms. It was discussed how we need to get the navigators into the High Schools to build the relationships and pathway to get more interest in the Early Childhood Education and Care career field.
6. SMART Goals Video.
7. SMART Goals Definition, Tips, and handouts. Questions.
 - a. Notes: Briefly went over the agenda for the workgroup meetings and asked the members to bring their handouts with them to their recommendation workgroup meeting.
8. Go over the next steps, closing remarks, data sources, foundational trainings, providing the Family Council report, and how to connect.

Before the next meeting...

- November's Speaker will be Kayla Miller from Community Child Care Connection.
- Workgroup Dates:
 - Recommendation One — Thursday, October 19, 6:00pm – 8:00pm.
 - Recommendation Two — Thursday, November 16, 6:00pm – 8:00pm.
 - Recommendation Three — Thursday, December 7, 6:00pm – 8:00pm.
 - All Recommendations — Thursday, January 18, 6:00pm – 8:00pm.



- **Next Meeting Action Council: Thursday, November 9, 2023, Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm**
Location: 1209 S. 4th Street Springfield, IL 62703.