



AGENDA

Region 8 Action Council Meeting

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Welcome & Introductions

Facilitator(s): Lou Ann Hayes and Dean Wright,

What is your favorite thing about fall?

Group Agreements and Parking Lot

Purpose of the Meeting:

1. Review the Early Childhood Regional Needs Assessment Addendum
 - Feedback has been collected, and quotes added to all be sent to Leslie. Most feedback was positive, and many responses said it gives a great overview of our problems with Early Childhood Education and Care.
2. Review the Needs and Recommendations presented in the Regional Needs Assessment
 - We need to keep our focus local on these and what we can accomplish. We need to let the State handle the bigger issues, such as low pay.
3. Outline the process of how we are going to work on the action items for the recommendations: SMART GOALS and CQI (Continuous Quality Improvement)
 - Explained to members the process and how it will help us keep on track to accomplish them to get the most out of these actions.
4. To establish a meeting cadence for the next 6 months.
 - We will continue with meetings at 1:00 pm on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

A. October: Growing and Improving Early Childhood Workforce



B. November: Increasing the Availability of Child Care and Preschool

C. December: Supports for Families

5. Family Council Update- Dean Wright

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 4, 2023