



Region 39 Family Council Meeting Notes

Location: Online

Date & Time: April 5th from 5:30-7:30 pm

Council Members Present: Chelsea Brown, Penny Detmers, Simone Houston, Terrence Taylor, Samantha Barrera

Council Members Absent: Brianna Wade, Ashley Johnson

5:30 Welcome & Check-In

Notes: Regional Council Manager & Family Council members introduced themselves and new members of Region 39 were introduced.

Family Council members discussed the closing of prenatal and OB services in the community

Items stated: Affects on family council members, the community and other options presented upon closure.

Decisions Made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

5:45 Community Agreements were shared & agreed upon.

5:50 Special Needs

Notes: *What needs to be available to families*

Support for married couples, new parents, a peer support type program for new parents similar things are offered for substance abuse but using this to support families

Decisions Made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

6:00 Transportation

Notes: *Needs in the community*

Transportation is difficult for everyone getting to jobs and child care. Bus stops have no protection from elements, they need to be easily accessible and not situated in a dangerous spot, also needing bus lines to run for those working 2nd or 3rd shift.

Richland has gotten a grant and purchased 2 busses but they have been sitting there for a couple of years.



Decisions Made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

6:15 Crisis Nursery

Notes: *Explaining what a Crisis Nursery is*

Collectively they all agreed that this is needed in the community but agreed an issue would be staffing.

Decisions Made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

6:30 Other Strengths in the Community

Notes: Healthy steps is a good program. Provided at Crossings Healthcare during well checks. They come and talk to you about your child and what they should be doing. Wic also offers a similar program but a lot of people are not going into the offices. One member believed that the Family Council meeting was helpful and a good way to get information on resources. Empowerment set up tables with information on different resources (Richland, Crossings, Wic, dentistry, rock springs. Etc) Parent Café, The pantry at Baby Talk.

6:45 Other Needs in the Community

What else is missing or needed in the community

They believe the items discussed are what is needed but worry about the staffing.

Decisions Made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

Congratulations were given to one Family Council member for having received her degree, another member was congratulated on the birth of their child. Also having adoption finalized for another member

Suggestions for next meeting

Action
