



## Region 39 Family Council Meeting Notes

**Location:** Online- Zoom

**Date & Time:** May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30-7:30pm

**Council Members Present:** Chelsea Brown, Simone Houston, Terrence Taylor

**Council Members Absent:** Penny Detmers, Samantha Barrera, Brianna Wade, Ashley Johnson

### 5:30 Welcome & Community Agreements

### 5:40 Summer and Next Year's Schedule

**Notes:** Spoke about June event, continued membership with Family Council for upcoming year, recommendations for new members

Decisions Made: Would like a lunch event in June or Family friendly event.

Next Steps: N/A

### 5:50 Birth to Five Illinois Values/ Goals (Racial Equity)

**Notes:** Council members spoke about their personal encounters of racial equity with child care.

Decisions Made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

### 6:15 State/Local Recommendations

**Notes:** Council Members reviewed the State and Local Recommendations that have been suggested over the previous months.

Decisions Made: Council members agreed with all recommendations and added one more: Speak with local major employers about supplementing child care workers' wages in our region.

Next Steps: N/A



**7:25 Questions & Comments**

**Notes:** *Short Discussion regarding staffing and child care.*

One member stated that they felt that the younger parents are pushing back and not willing to conform to get themselves into the workplace requirements. Also speaking about seeking out the talent for staffing and making sure they have the resources to succeed with employers investing in their employees. Another member stated that there are a lot of people that are not working, and the only reason is the lack of available child care.

Next meeting in June will be combined with Action Council

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