



## Meeting Minutes

### Region 17 Family Council Meeting

**Date & Time: Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:00-6:30 pm**

Council Members Present in Person: Teresa Cornejo, Jacqueline Sweat  
Council Members Present on Zoom: Ashley Giebelhausen, Lakeesha Smith, Clymeshia Nelson, Kelly Rhodes, Alesia (Anna) Smith

#### **5:00 Welcome & Review of Family Council Agreements**

Facilitators: Becky Thacker, Carol Weisheit, Monica Reed

Notes:

- Welcomed and reviewed Council Agreement

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: The Family Council Agreements can be found on the Google Drive and will be updated as needed.

#### **5:10 Icebreaker: What is your favorite outdoor activity in the Spring?**

Facilitator(s): Becky Thacker-Family and Community Engagement Specialist

Notes:

- Members and staff discussed a favorite outdoor Spring activity.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

#### **5:20 Update from Social Media**

Facilitator(s): Monica Reed, Regional Administrative Support

Notes:

- New postings to Facebook are ongoing, and today a link to an interview RCM had on WGLT, please take a moment to listen.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: N/A

#### **5:30 Update from Action Council**

Facilitator(s): Carol Weisheit, Regional Council Manager

Notes:

- Action Council will discuss the strengths and needs of the region starting Wednesday afternoon, and Family Council will discuss at the next meeting.



- The link regarding the Regional Scan was sent out and other sections will be released for review soon.

Decisions made: There will be ongoing updates from the Action Council Meetings

Next Steps: Review sections of the Regional Scan as each becomes available.

### **5:45 Continued Discussion of Parent and Family Engagement**

Facilitator(s): Becky Thacker, Family and Community Engagement Specialist

Notes:

- Council discussed:
  - Who or what agency/organization they go to when they have questions about their child(ren)'s education, health, and/or mental health.
  - How easy it is to find information on education, health, and or mental health services for their child(ren).
  - Who or what agency/organization they go to when they have questions about finding child care for their children.
  - What positive experiences they have had with services such as home visiting, early intervention, therapy, Special Education for their child.

Decisions made: N/A

Next Steps: Please feel free to add more thoughts and concerns to the Jamboard.

### **6:15 Highlights of the Regional Scan**

Facilitator(s): Carol Weisheit, Regional Council Manager

Notes:

- Link was emailed (look for the 2<sup>nd</sup> email sent) to the sections to review.
- More sections to review before the next meeting.
- A note on the scan will indicate to the state team that a discussion took place with Family Council approval. Any comments would be helpful.
- Quotes are still being added, but no names will be attached.

Next Meeting Monday, April 17, 5:00-6:30pm

- Region 17's strengths and needs for ECEC will be discussed.
- Recommendations discussion at the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting
- Highlights of the scan will be provided (April and May)
- Commitment survey will be going out soon on serving another year. The state will send one out also with additional questions.