

Early Childhood Iowa Governance, Planning and Administration meeting
Tuesday January 19, 2010
8:30 to 10 a.m.

January Diversity Advisory meeting (agenda attached)

The work of that group is progressing and settling into a quarterly meeting schedule. The group has been asked several times to review strategic plans or to respond to questions from early childhood systems and programs. There are plans to expand the membership and to assure diversity. The Governance component group talked about engaging diverse empowerment board members and encourage participation in this state level advisory group. ICN meetings were discussed as a way to assure more representation from across the state.

ECI Parent Summit and Council planning

The Governance component group is planning to hold the summit in October, 2010. A draft mission/purpose statement is being produced. This statement will be used to describe the event to interested stakeholders and to guide planning efforts. A planning group will be convened in late March to begin specific planning efforts for the October event. This will also be discussed during the February 3rd ECI co-chairs meeting and the next ECI Council meeting.

Local leadership

There are plans to provide a series of support and training for local Empowerment leaders. They are currently pulling together ideas to support local leadership and to further strengthen state/local connections. ECI is continuing to work to connect the local work and planning to state level system build efforts.

Governance, Planning and Administration work plan

We need to know who is regularly attending ECI Council meetings to assure there is cross system, local, diverse engagement and to identify gaps or areas for improvement. The Governance group will analyze RSVP/attendance lists and identify areas for improvement.

Upcoming meetings

The Governance, Planning and Administration meets every third Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. Lucas Building room 124. There is always the option to call in to participate.

Please mark your calendars

Meeting dates for the next 6 months:

- February 16
- March 16
- April 20
- May 18
- June 15
- July 20