

# **Illinois Indian Child Welfare Act Advisory Council Meeting**

**Monday, February 1, 2021**

**2:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

WebEx: Meeting Number (access code): 177 535 4704

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## **Introductions**

## **Roll Call**

Report from Daniel Fitzgerald, on ICWA Program updates and debrief with DCFS Director Smith Meeting (1/13/21)

## **Old Business**

- Budget Follow Up for ICWA program
- ICWA Specialist position updates, deadline 2/18/21
- Next Steps for On Boarding
- Native Youth In Care Data Follow Up
- DCFS DNET follow up
  - Request for Meeting List for IICWA (3/15, 4/26, 6/7 @ 2pm)
  - Bylaws
  - Meeting Agendas & Minutes
    - Last meeting 12/21/20 Informal, No Minutes

## **New Business**

Goals for IICWA FY 21

- Brochure Updates
- Increase Native Foster Homes
- Future Community Engagements – Town Hall

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**Comments/Feedback**

**Next Meeting: March 15, 2021**

**Adjourn Meeting**

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