

**Illinois Early Learning Council Executive Committee**  
**ELC Membership Workgroup**  
**May 28, 2019, 10:00 – 11:30 AM**  
Irving Harris Foundation  
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**Agenda**

- I. Review the Membership Survey results
- II. Review the Official Process for Appointments
  - a. Appointments.illinois.gov – Nominate Yourself
  - b. Develop a Tiered System to Ensure Diversity (racial, geographic, linguistic, across sectors, etc.)
  - c. Term Limits
  - d. Timing and Instructions for Refresh
- III. Bylaws
  - a. Categories of Membership to be Considered
  - b. Vacancies
  - c. Participation
  - d. Termination & Resignation
  - e. Membership Designate or Proxy
  - f. Executive Committee Appointments/Term Limits
  - g. Committee Formation/Chairs/Membership
  - h. Open Meetings Act
- IV. Prep for June full ELC and Executive Committee meetings
- V. Takeaways and Next Steps

(20 ILCS 3933/) Illinois Early Learning Council Act.

(20 ILCS 3933/10) Sec. 10. Membership. The Illinois Early Learning Council shall **include representation from both public and private organizations**, and its **membership shall reflect regional, racial, and cultural diversity to ensure representation of the needs of all Illinois children**.

- One member shall be appointed by the President of the Senate
- One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate
- One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives

- And other members appointed by the Governor. The Governor's appointments shall include without limitation the following:

(1) A leader of stature from the Governor's office, to serve as co-chairperson of the Council.

(2) The **chief administrators** of the following State agencies:

- State Board of Education
- Department of Human Services
- Department of Children and Family Services
- Department of Public Health
- Department of Healthcare and Family Services
- Board of Higher Education
- Illinois Community College Board

(3) **Local government stakeholders and nongovernment stakeholders** with an interest in early childhood care and education, including representation from the following private-sector fields and constituencies:

- early childhood education and development
- child care,
- child advocacy
- parenting support
- local community collaborations among early care and education programs and services
- maternal and child health
- children with special needs
- business
- labor
- law enforcement

The Governor shall designate one of the members who is a nongovernment stakeholder to serve as co-chairperson.

In addition, the Governor shall request that the Region V office of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Children and Families appoint a member to the Council to represent federal children's programs and services.

Members appointed by General Assembly members and members appointed by the Governor who are local government or nongovernment stakeholders shall **serve 3-year terms, except that of the initial appointments, half of these members, as determined by lot, shall be appointed to 2-year terms so that terms are staggered**. Members shall serve on a voluntary, unpaid basis. (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)