

KANSAS SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES



School Mental Health Advisory Council

Details

Date: March 2, 2022

Time: 9 am –2 pm

Location: Zoom

Welcome, Kathy Busch, Chair at 9:00 AM

Roll Call

Members: Members (x present, blank absent):

X	Kathy Busch	X	Leia Holley/ Lesli Giard	X	Kimberly O'Connor
	Jean Clifford	X	Tamara Huff	X	Judi Rodman
				X	Melanie Scott
X	Dr. Jane Groff	X	Dr. Ken Hughey	X	Shirley Scott
X	Samantha Brown	X	Kimber Kasitz	X	Idalia Shuman
	Shelby Bruckerhoff	X	Mallory Keeffe in at 10)	X	Rachelle Soden/Pam Noble sub
	Tracie Chauvin	X	Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer		Dinah Sykes
X	Jose Cornejo	X	Monica Kurz		Mark Torkelson (Absent)
X	Misti Czarnowsky		Ronny Lieurance	X	Kelsee Torrez
X	Sherry Dumolien		Lori Marshall		Ryan Vaughn
	Diane Gjerstad		Melody Martin		Juliane Walker/Paige White child advo.
		X	Dr. John McKinney	X	Pam Weigand
	Laura Hattrup		Kathy Mosher	X	Holly Yager
	John Heim/ Brian Jordan		Monica Murnan(in at 10)	X	Janey Humphries (BOE-large districts)
X	Gary Henault		Deana Novack		Jamey Dover (Law enforcement)

Attendance: 25 present Quorum (20)

KSDE Staff:

X	Bert Moore		Kerry Haag		
	Barb Depew/Cheryl Johnson sub	X	John Calvert		
X	Kayla Love		Myron Melton		
X	Kent Reed	X	Shanna Bigler		Kelli Byrne

Guests: Craig Neuenswander, Dale Brungardt, and Mark Tallman

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve: Pam Weigand

Second: Judi Rodman

Action: Motion Passed

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve: Samantha Brown

Second: Shirley Scott

Comments: None

Action: Motion Passed

Public Comments

No public comments. Closed at 9:09AM

Social Emotional Learning Legislative Testimony

Kent Reed- Presentation

- State Board vision
 - Kansas leads the world in the success of each student
- Social Emotional growth is a state Board goal
- 70% of people that participated in the focus group said that non-academic skills are the most important
- 81% of the business and industry focus groups said non-academic skills are the most important
- Durlak research:
 - If you implement a Social Emotional Learning program in your building with fidelity you will see pro social behavior, improvements in attitude about self and others, reduction in problem behaviors and emotional stress, increase in standardized test scores and in social and emotional skills.
- Every \$1 invested in Social skills instruction there is an economic return to the community of \$11
 - Fewer suspensions, expulsions, discipline referrals, better post-secondary placement, etc.
- Share the Social Emotional character standards
 - Character Development
 - Social Development
 - Personal Development
- Gave an example of the standards and reminded of the 2018 revisions made
 - Prevention Statutes, Employability, School Mental Health, Civic Engagement, and

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- Mandated reporting
- Rose Capacity of Importance
 - All schools will address the physical and mental well-being of students
- Social Emotional Data collected by KSDE
 - Attendance, Program completers, bullying incident data, suspensions, expulsions, and Emergency safety interventions
 - Data is primarily collected by the Federal Government
- Registration for Capitol Day for Suicide Prevention: <https://ksscd224.attendase.com/>
- Professional Development Opportunities:
 - Summer academies
 - Will be having an SEL strand as well as a School Counseling strand
 - Garden City, Manhattan, Goddard as well as a virtual option
 - Will send out registration once that is available

Legislative Updates

Craig Neuenswander and Dale Brungardt

- Revenue Estimating Group meets twice a year and estimates the amount of money coming in the following year.
 - Last met in November and they increased their revenue estimates for the coming year by \$1.3 Billion
 - That is approximately 16-17% of the State General Fund
 - Since the estimate was made, each month we have exceeded the estimates
 - From November to February we have already exceeded the estimates by \$218 million
 - Governor recommended increasing the general fund 3% in the base.
 - We have 74 school districts that will lose general fund budget authority next year because of the declining enrollment
 - State Board requested additional funding for:
 - Professional Development
 - Mental Health Intervention Team Pilot Program (\$3million)
 - Funding for career in Tech and transportation
 - Governors Teaching Excellence (National Board Certification)
 - Funding a statewide Dyslexia Coordinator (Dr. Laurie Curtis)
- Legislation just finished turnaround last week, about the half way point in the session
 - This is when a bill has to be passed by it house of origin or it is dead
- Senate Bill 341:
 - Will impact school districts and has been blessed
 - This will change the way Federal impact aid is treated
- Senate bill 31:
 - State aid for bond and interest elections
- Apex bill- Passed:
 - Would provide up to \$1 billion worth of incentives to the particular industry looking to move a new facility into Kansas, in competition with another state.
- Axe the Tax
 - A lot of talk from legislators about delaying because of the Apex approved bill
- Senate Bill 362:
 - School boards have to do a building needs assessment and making them better

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- Will develop a form that will have to be posted to their website that answers just the questions that are a part of the bill
- Aim to have that available by this Spring
- This bill has passed the Senate and will move on to the House
- House Bill 2615:
 - Has been blessed
 - Student Empowerment act
 - Education savings account
 - Administered by the State Treasurers Office
 - State money for students and their parents to use to pay tuition and fees to attend a private school
 - Allows students to earn Course Credit through alternative educational opportunities, like internships
 - Requires school districts to accept transfer students
- House Bill 2662:
 - Has been blessed
 - Contains the parents bill of rights
 - The requirement of an academic transparency portal in each district
 - List of everything a teacher is doing in the classroom
 - Includes bill 2513:
 - Requirement for non-academic tests, questionnaires, and surveys; schools have to provide parents with a copy and have to have the opportunity to opt in or out of those surveys; schools have to post surveys on their website
- House Bill 2446:
 - Computer science curriculum bill
 - Originally required students in 2025 to have and passed at least once computer science course in order to graduate
 - Has been pulled out as a requirement
 - Bill has been Blessed
- Bill 2690:
 - In the K12 education Budget Committee- never left
 - Creates a merit pay system for some teachers
 - With added requirements

Legislative Process

Mark Tallman

- The Kansas state Board is elected which differs from other states
 - With access to hire/fire the Commissioner of Education
- Bills are to be law
- Resolutions are non-binding expressions of opinion
- How a bill becomes a law
 - Have to be introduced, signed by both houses, and then signed by the Governor
 - Process of a bill:
 - Can be done by any legislator as either an individual or with several other legislators (Co-Sponsors), or by going to a committee and asking for them to introduce in the committee's name

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- Once introduced then it is referred to a committee
 - Committee's chair then decides if it will receive a hearing
 - If a hearing happens then the Chair will decide how the hearing operates and will determine if there will be a vote on the bill to either amend or recommend it.
 - If voted to amend, it will be referred out of committee and to its first house. The house or senate will have the opportunity then to debate it, amend it, and then send it for final action.
 - Once approved in one house it moves to the other and the process begins again.
 - The governor is the last step to either pass or veto
 - Rule of 5 subjects in a bill for the conference committee, however a bill is only supposed to have one subject
- Advocacy is convincing to have enough votes to go along with what you want or stop what you don't want
 - You want to influence their decisions it is good to know their beliefs and ideology
 - But remember it is difficult to change someone's mind
- Follow up on Twitter or Facebook for the KASB page; watch their Facebook live
- Weekly wrap up Podcast Link: <https://www.kasb.org/theadvocate>
- Testimony:
 - This is the formal way that legislators take and collect information
 - Few ways that a legislator will listen to someone who is not one of their own constituents
 - May not be able to change their minds but could change the Bill

Previous Bills passed by Legislature

Kent Reed

- This has been the most contentious legislative session in many years
- Bill 2513:
 - Address surveys and has been rolled into Bill 2662
 - This bill is a rehash of the Student Privacy Act that was passed several years ago
 - This includes an amendment on the original Student Privacy Act, that amendment has been stricken from the current bill 2662
 - This section should be replaced if they pass it and should read "This section shall not prohibit school counselors and or mental health professionals from providing counseling services to a student, including administration..."
 - Important because of screening
- Legislative Sub-committee- Kathy Busch, Judi Rodman, Tracie Chauvin, Kent Reed, Shanna Bigler, Diane Gjerstad, John McKinney, Holly Yager, Melanie Scott

U.S. Dept of Ed new work

Shanna Bigler

- US Department of Education meeting on Human Trafficking
- Kansas is considered and originating state for human trafficking because our central location and the highways that run through the state
- 80% of human trafficking victims are domestic victims in the United States

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- Average age is 12-14-year old's
- Kansas ranked 29th in the number of cases reported by the state in 2020
- CDC put out a multi-agency report for Children's mental health and wellbeing
 - Pre-COVID data from 2013-2019
- PRTF Stakeholder group
 - New cross agency collaboration on PRTF Factsheet
 - Explains PRTFs with FAQ and general knowledge and questions
- KSDE and DCF webinar for this Friday, might end up with multiple sessions

Anticipatory Grief

Samantha Brown

- Grief is when someone has passed away
- Anticipatory Grief is when we know someone is going to pass away but are still living currently
- Just something to keep in mind and remember in all situations
- All reactions can be different for Anticipatory grief

Leadership EDIT Summit

Tracie Chauvin

- Leadership EDIT Summit
 - EDIT= Equity Driven Informed by Trauma
 - Kansas City Public Schools
 - Looking for speakers still
 - Register on Crowd cast to attend
 - Held June 17, free and virtual

Mental Health Website

Holly Yager- USD 259

- District Mental Health Website
 - Open to Ideas/suggestions
- "Mental Health Matters"
- Helpful numbers and information for everyone to use including employees
- Topics, tips and links included for local and National as well

Adjourned

- Meeting adjourned at 1:53 pm

Next Meeting, April 28, 2022 TBD 9-2

For more information, contact:



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