

# KANSAS SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES



## School Mental Health Advisory Council

### Details

Date: October 13, 2022

Time: 9 am –3:00 pm

Location: KASB/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		Judi Rodman
X	Dr. Jane Groff		Dr. Ken Hughey	X	Melanie Scott
X	Samantha Brown	X	Kimber Kasitz		Shirley Scott
	Shelby Bruckerhoff		Mallory Keeffe		Idalia Shuman
X	Tracie Chauvin	X	Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer	X	Rachelle Soden/Pam Noble sub
X	Jose Cornejo	X	Monica Kurz		Dinah Sykes
X	Misti Czarnowsky	X	Scott Anglemyer	X	Mark Torkelson
X	Sherry Dumolien		Lori Marshall/Sue Murnane	X	Kelsee Torrez
	Diane Gjerstad	X	Dr. John McKinney		Ryan Vaughn
			Kathy Mosher	X	Juliane Walker
X	Laura Hattrup/Cherie Blanchat		Monica Murnan	X	Pam Weigand
	Brian Jordan		Deana Novack	X	Holly Yager
	Gary Henault		Lori Marshall	X	Janey Humphries (BOE-large districts)
	Jessica Lane		John Eply	X	Jamey Dover (Law enforcement)
X	Marcia Weseman				John Doll

Attendance: 27 present Quorum (20)

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**KSDE Staff:**

X	Bert Moore	X	Kerry Haag	X	Alysha Nichols
X	Barb Depew/Cheryl Johnson sub	X	John Calvert	X	Angie Brungardt
X	Kayla Love		Myron Melton		
	Kent Reed		Shanna Bigler		

**Guests:**

**Approval of Agenda: October 13, 2022**

Motion to approve: Kathy KO

Second: Monica Kurz

Action: Motion Passed

**Approval of Minutes: April 28, 2022, and July 26, 2022**

Motion to approve: Mark Torkelson

Second: Kelsee Torrez

Comments: None

Action: Motion Passed

**Public Comments**

No public comments. Closed at 9:10AM

**School Mental Health Staff Panel**

Tracie Chauvin

- We began our meeting with a small panel of School Mental Health Workers. Many questions were asked regarding mental health in the school settings. Panelist were Taylor Kehr, Social Worker at Argentine Middle School in KCKPS; Mallory Jacobs, a Counselor at Topeka Public Schools; and Samantha Brown, a Family Liaison at Manhattan Public Schools.

**SPDG Update**

Kerry Haag

- SPDG stands for State Personnel Development Grant
- We have used this to build up our system of professional development through the years. The focus has varied through the years. Used to be to start and establish our initial family engagement and has just grown from there.
- Just recently reapplied and learned recently that we were successful in obtaining this grant for a few more years.
- Overall, this work has been focused on promoting positive mental health for children in need across Kansas, which we have done with the Mental Health initiative.

**McKinney Vento Overview**

Maureen Tabasko

- McKinney Vento Act was signed in 1987.

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- To be considered homeless there has to be a hardship that triggers a loss of housing.
- Two Sub-categories of homeless
  - Accompanied= at least 1 parent or full legal guardian is present
  - Un-accompanied= no parent or guardian is present
- Went over the National School House Connections data of unaccompanied youth.
- Every district in the Country must have a local McKinney Vento liaison.
- State department must post the homeless student count for the previous school year.
- 2020-2021 McKinney Vento Data:
  - Reported 5,632 homeless students; 857 of which were unaccompanied
- The 2018-2019 school year is considered the last fairly accurate data, since the pandemic
- We are expecting to be in the 7,000 range of homeless students for 2020-2021 but expect the 2021-2022 data to be similar to 2018-2019, roughly 9,000 students, with unaccompanied rising as well.
- Consider attending The National Association for the Education of Homeless Children & Youth conference for more information on McKinney Vento.

### **Mental Health Initiative Team**

John Calvert and Angie Brungardt

- Welcome Angie Brungardt, happy to have you join us. Angie took the place of Diane Gjerstad on the MHIT team.
- Program that began about 5 years ago to bring Mental Health awareness and services into the school districts for K-12.
- This provides the services in the school, so students won't have to miss as much valuable class time to attend these appointments, and parents don't have to miss work.
- These are monitored for
  - Improving academics
  - Improving attendance
  - Internalizing Behaviors
  - Externalizing Behaviors
- This began in 2018, known as the Mental Health Initiative Pilot Team with 9 districts and 5 Community Mental Health Center partners
  - 9 pilots: KCK, Topeka, Wichita, Parsons, Garden City, Consortium of Abilene-Solomon- Herington- Chapman
  - 5 CMHC: PACES, Family Service and Guidance Center, Labette County Mental Health, COMPASS, and Central Kansas Mental Health
  - This served a total of 1,708 students.
- 2021-2022 School year we had 55 school districts participating with 126.6 liaisons.
  - Serving 5,117 total students
- 2022-2023 School year KSBOD recommended continuation and expansion of this program.
  - Received an additional \$3million expansion, which was adopted by the legislature
    - This gives priority to new districts
    - Also, will fund a 3<sup>rd</sup> party study to determine effectiveness and recommendations

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- We currently have 67 districts, 12 additional from the previous year. And now 150 liaisons
- Several success stories were shared as well

### **Outcome for July Meeting**

Tracie Chauvin

- 2 main outcomes from the July meeting, those are:
  - Trauma responsive support systems
  - Neuroscience
- We will be working on training opportunities for the future

### **Agency/Membership Updates**

- Bert:
  - The work of this council is so important for EACH student that we serve, so please keep the focus on the students
- Tracie:
  - Kansas School Social Worker Conference is October 28 in Lawrence, KS
- Bert:
  - The KSDE Annual Conference is next week
- Kimberly:
  - State of Kansas issued an RFP to provide psychiatric services to Western, KS
    - In January 2023 we will be opening the Acute services in Hays, KS. No reject or reject building
- Kathy KO:
  - Classroom training in Denver on trauma informed classrooms
- Melanie:
  - Kansas School Counseling Association and KCA conference is March 9 & 10 in Topeka.
  - Kansas School Mental Health at the Capitol is Late January Early February; Tentative for January 26
- Rachelle:
  - Governors Conference for child abuse and neglect virtually next week
  - Parent Leadership Conference with Families Together is November 4 & 5 in Topeka
  - KCSL is contracting with DCF to provide Mandating Reporter training across the state along with other new trainings

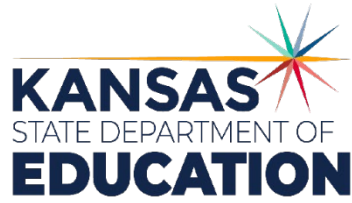
Kathy Busch

- **Future Agenda items**
  - Discuss the intended and unintended consequences of HB 2567
  - Kan aware Grant at KU Med
  - ESI Regulations
  - Foster Care Report Card
  - CASEL Conference Update
  - Climate Report from Christina Mann
- **Adjourned**
- Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm

**Next Meeting, December 8, 2022, Zoom**

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