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January 2024 Board Meeting

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KSDE shared about the importance of PAT and home visiting with the council of superintendents. Key points were shared regarding how PAT is part of an early childhood education strategy specifically for school improvement outcomes that are measured by KSDE as well as Kindergarten readiness.



Hilary met with Dr. Ben Proctor, Deputy Commissioner, to have additional conversation about the importance of PAT and she also informed him about the Bright Futures Family First program.



Jenny Smith (new Bright Futures Affiliate Director) and Bee Hatridge (new Bright Futures Affiliate Coordinator) started in their roles at the end of December.



You are encouraged to review the December Final Report of the Kansas Early Childhood Transition Task Force. You can read it <u>HERE</u>.



KPATA Bright Futures staff hosted a mid-year program meeting in January for all participating Bright Futures programs. Please watch the recording if you were unable to attend and participate in the Bright Futures program. Due to prioritization of funds being utilized for direct services to families, we are not able to reimburse programs for any more training hours for the remainder of the program year.

