



March 2026 Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
March 27, 2026; 12:00 to 2:00 pm

Attendance: Hilary Koehn, Amber Dejmal, Emily Goetz, Dana Clary, Tabitha Morris, Monique Koerner, Aaron Grunewald, Allee Huninghake, Angie Mendez, Brittany Denson

Meeting started at 12:06pm

Approval of [February minutes](#)

Emily moved to approve, Dana seconded 9 yes, passed unanimously

KSDE update, Lisa Williams was unable to attend

President Report, Amber Dejmal

- ED Evaluations
- All Members Meeting Scheduled for April 16th



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- Committee Chairs will be sharing a brief highlight report from past year with members

Noted and received

Executive Director Report, Hilary Koehn

- [March Executive Director Report](#)
 - View report for updates

- Presenting at Conference on Supporting Care Providers and Pathway to Advocacy
- Regional Director support requested for License to Learn Conference Event
 - Sharing within each region about the importance of doing the preparation for the Conference Opener to ensure that participants have the tools and readiness to share at the conference.
- [Home Visiting Alliance](#) - Kansas Home Visiting Works
 - As we begin KOEC wanted to have a strong voice and presence for home visiting, the alliance is focusing on advocacy and reporting to promote the work of home visiting in Kansas.
 - Currently housed on the KPATA website, once the state website is live, it will move there.

Noted and received

Bylaws, Policies and Procedures, shared by Amber Dejmaj

Formulating adjustments, clarifications, and/or updates to current policies with research around the best way to word policies

- Policy #2022 FMLA
- Policy #2020 PTO
- Policy #2080 Allowable Employee Expenses

Noted and received

Finance Report, Aaron Grunewald

- [Finance Documents - Post-Reviewed](#)
- Is there planning for means to cover the admin portion which comes from FFPSA if we do not utilize all of the funding for direct services?
 - Hilary shared that there has been multiple conversations with different groups about causes and reasoning for decreasing referrals for the Bright Future Program
 - Currently have a meeting scheduled with CCA to talk about this year's funding and indirect costs
 - Discussed the changes in staffing positions to adjust to the changes in referrals and referral areas
 - Conducting meeting with DCF leadership staff about why we are not connecting as many families with parent skill building resources and why we are seeing a decline in referrals across the state
- What happens if we don't spend the dollars for direct services as expected?
 - Conversations about funding happen in a 5 year cycle, generally DCF does not encourage "spending down" funds at the end of a program year,

but in order to account for increases in inflation, you have to plan for a 5 year cycle

- The finance committee is having conversation about how the program structure may need to adjust from the original implementation.

Aaron moved to accept the finance report as presented, Tabitha seconded, 9 yes, passed unanimously

Advocacy Committee Report, shared by Hilary Koehn

- We discussed and debriefed the following events this Spring;
 - Networking Event
 - HV Program Day at the Capitol
 - Early Learning Caucus
- Discussion of delivering promotional items to legislators offices and how to logistically do that better next year
- Next steps of advocacy to address where programs are still needing support, planning to have more resources available in the shared membership drive for programs to access
- Emphasize the importance and the work of the committee for these events

Noted and received

Education and Training Committee Report, shared by Hilary Koehn

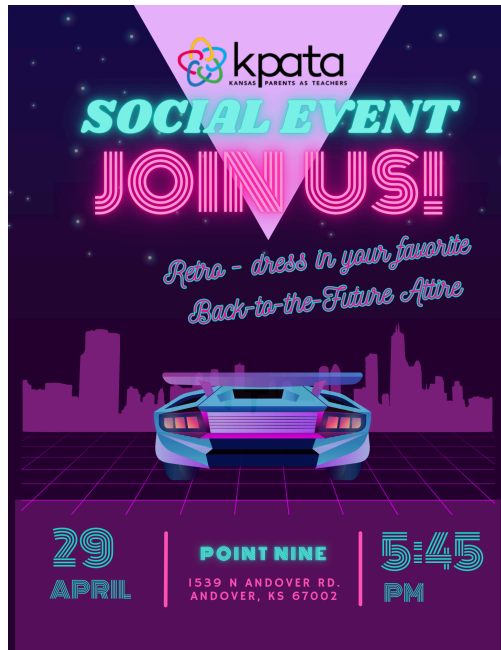
- 2024-25 - EOY total - 312 members, 2025-26 - Current members: 336 members
- Maternal Depression - Robert Ammerman/CCHMC, today, 91 registered
- Past Trainings - HOPE Training: 63 Attended



- Back to the Future Conference
 - April 29th and 30th in Wichita
 - Session Sign-Up going out next week
 - Social event after Conference on April 29th
 - Conference Opener: License to Learn [Teaser](#)

Noted and received

Conference marketing materials;



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KANSAS PARENTS AS TEACHERS

SOCIAL EVENT

JOIN US!

Retro - dress in your favorite Back-to-the-Future Attire

29 | **POINT NINE** | **5:45**
APRIL | 1539 N ANDOVER RD. | PM
ANDOVER, KS 67002



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BACK TO THE FUTURE

2026

CONFERENCE

SNEAK PEEK

mental health for the **WHOLE** family

GOALS LIST

1. Grow as an educator
2. Prioritize health and well-being
3. Network & learn with others in my field

stay inspired!

mindful parenting

child development

"Where We're Going, Families Come First"

reflection & wellness

guiding parents

Screen time

favorite visit tips

PLAY consistency

Impact: Screen Time

12 mo. of GREAT Group Connections

APRIL 29TH & 30TH WICHITA, KS
NEWMAN UNIVERSITY



2026 KPATA CONFERENCE:

BACK TO THE FUTURE

APRIL 29TH & 30TH
WICHITA, KS - NEWMAN UNIVERSITY

"Where We're Going, Families Come First"

Home visiting has long been a driving force in strengthening families, supporting early learning, and building thriving communities. This conference brings home visitors, program leaders, and partners together to explore the past, present, and future of the work—honoring our roots, reflecting on today's realities, and looking ahead to what's possible. Participants will leave energized, equipped, and inspired to advance a more seamless, family-centered home visiting future for Kansas!

The Power of Home Visiting:
Past, Present, Future



OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN

SPECIAL CONFERENCE OPENING

TIME TRAVEL NETWORKING SAMPLER

REGISTRATION

Check Here



IN-PERSON ONLY

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CONFERENCE COST

Members
\$100 in - person
Non-Members
\$140 in - person
(Includes in - person conference, lunch (30th), and access to the resource drive following the conference)

April 29th - 30th, 2026

4/29 1:00 pm - 4:45 pm
4/30 8:15 am - 12:30 pm

Newman University - Dugan Gorges Conference Center
3100 W McCormick Wichita KS 67213

Personnel Committee, shared by Amber Dejmaj

- Employee Matter - staff member was terminated with cause, if you have additional questions you may reach out to Hilary
- Stipend for SCPK staff for doing activities above and beyond their job description and responsibilities, this came from the specific SCP funds

Noted and received

Membership and Nominating Committee, shared by Dana Clary

- Current members: 336
- All Members Meeting April 16th @ 12PM
- Approved candidates for slate @ March meeting
- Information about each candidate will go out April 6th to highlight them
- Working on template for PE of the Year for nominations, planning to release at KPATA Conference, nominating will close at the end of May.
 - Our PE of the Year from last year is also presenting at PATNC Conference in October!

Noted and received

Supporting Care Providers Update, shared by Becky Stewart

- Stakeholder Networking
 - Partnerships forming are helping with recruitment
- PATNC Conference Workshop Proposal was approved and Becky and Hilary will be presenting in October at the PATNC Conference
- Committees have been working on social media presence and sustainability for program funding. Changing wording for assessment tool, Provider Sense of Competence for outcomes work.
- HomeGrown partnership is hosting FFN caregiver conversations in May & June, goal is to get 2 providers from these events to serve on national and state level boards.

Noted and received

FFPSA Committee, shared by Jacki Himpel

- [Advisory Council](#)
- [FFPSA 3.2.2026 Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
 - DCF provides the data specific to KPATA
 - Currently looking ahead at budget for the end of the fiscal grant year
- [FF Evaluation Report_Feb2026.pdf](#)
 - Aggregate report for the whole state

- There will be an email coming out about a budget revision

Noted and received

Meeting adjourned at 1:05pm

Next Meeting: **Membership Meeting April 16th 12 - 1pm** (Board Members please plan to attend)

April 17th - 12 to 2 pm

May 15th - 12 - 2 pm - new link will be sent for this meeting