

From the Executive Director

Last week was a BIG week for KAFP! Monday and Tuesday Drs. Wendy Biggs, Wakon Fowler, Doug Gruenbacher, Chad Johanning, Mary Beth Miller, Amanda Steventon, and I were at AAFP's Family Medicine Congressional Conference. We learned about many federal issues facing medicine on Monday and then had appointments on the Hill with members of our Kansas Congressional Delegation on Tuesday. We also toured the Capitol Building. It was humbling to represent you and your patients' interests in the halls of Congress. Many thanks to Senator Pat Roberts, Sen. Jerry Moran, Representatives Tim Huelskamp, Kevin Yoder, Lynn Jenkins, and Mike Pompeo for their time.

Saturday was the Spring Board Meeting, which was held in Salina at Smoky Hill. Your elected KAFP leaders discussed many issues including possible changes to the governance structure of the Academy, finances (which are solid, thank you, Dr. Todd Miller, Treasurer) and results from the recent Membership Satisfaction Survey.

Then the Board meeting was followed by the first-ever Leadership Opportunities Meeting. Thank you to those who led the sessions: Drs. Courtney Huhn & Tessa Rohrberg for the student/resident breakout, and Drs. Jen Brull, Rick Kellerman & Mike Munger for the active member breakout. It is exciting to see the interest and abilities that are focused on KAFP leadership opportunities! And the opportunities abound. As Dr. Doug Gruenbacher prepares to become President he is interested in appointing members to committees, so let us know if YOU are interested!

It was a BIG week, and we got a lot done, because of the efforts of volunteer leaders and those willing to spend time working for YOU! Hope you have a terrific week.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director