

KSBA continues to provide varied opportunities for school board members to receive training and meet their annual requirements in the mandated topics of ethics, finance and superintendent evaluation.

In addition to local in-district training sessions and multiple sessions before and during our conferences in February, July and December, we would like to again provide regional training options through our state education cooperatives. Although several of these sessions were not well attended last year and had to be cancelled, those who were able to participate continually acknowledged appreciation for the regional offering. Based on a review of the number of attendees at sessions in the fall and in the spring, we would like to offer one opportunity in the spring of 2016 (after spring break if possible) for board member training at NKCES.

The training fee will remain the same at \$40 for each session a participant attends to offset the cost of the trainers, travel expenses and materials. Both EILA credit and board member training credit will be available for these courses. We would like for you to identify a date, provide a space for the training that includes a projector and screen, and help promote the event to your member districts. We will handle the registration process as well as promote the training as a partnership between KSBA and NKCES.

Like last year, the format for the training day will be three (3) to five (5) 60-minute workshops (depending on how many finance courses you want to include) and offer participants the option to attend only the session(s) they need and/or want. Board members need 1, 2 or 3 hours of training a year on these topics depending on how long they have served. Possible schedules for the training sessions include:

Morning:

9:00 – 10:00 Finance
10:00 – 11:00 Superintendent Evaluation
11:00 – 12:00 Ethics

OR

Morning and Afternoon:

9:00 – 10:00 Finance (topic 1)
10:00 – 11:00 Finance (topic 2)
11:00 - 12:00 LUNCH BREAK (on your own)
12:00 – 1:00 Finance (topic 3)
1:00 – 2:00 Superintendent Evaluation
2:00 – 3:00 Ethics

OR

Evening:

5:00 – 6:00 Finance
6:00 – 7:00 Superintendent Evaluation
7:00 – 8:00 Ethics

We would like to publish these training options in January to allow board members and central office staff the opportunity to build these options into their 2016 professional development plan. If NKCES is interested in partnering with us again, please let me know the preferred date, schedule, time and location as soon as possible.