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National Child Passenger Safety Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 5 - 7, 2026

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The meeting was called to order by Kristel Robison at 12:06 PM.

Members Attending – Tracy LeMaire

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| ☒ Kristel Robison, Chair | ☒ Shannon Martinello |
| ☒ Britney Lombard, Vice-Chair | ☒ Michael Munson |
| ☒ Emily Burton | ☒ Liz Perez |
| ☒ Laura Dunn | ☒ Krystal Phillips |
| ☐ James Fitzpatrick | ☒ Anna Red |
| ☒ Cass Herring | ☒ Marie Snodgrass |
| ☒ Tracy LeMaire | ☒ Kyndra Webb |
| ☒ Travis Marsh | |

Guests:

- ☒ Amy Artuso
- ☒ Renée St. Louis
- ☒ Janet Werst

Welcome – Kristel Robison

- The Board was welcomed to the May 2026 Full Board meeting.
- The Board was reminded that meetings are held in executive session.
- The Board approved March 2026 [meeting minutes](#).
- Introductions were made and new Board Members were welcomed.

NHTSA – Laura Dunn

- Laura Dunn shared information pertaining to the Pathways to Safer Streets Initiative.
- May 1 was National Heatstroke Prevention Day. Resources and materials are available to be shared.
- NHTSA recently released its early fatality estimates for 2025. Those preliminary estimates indicate that the United States experienced the second-lowest roadway fatality rate in history.
- NHTSA also released the final FARS data for 2024 in April.



National Safety Council – Kyndra Webb

- Kyndra Webb announced that she will be transitioning off the Board as Curriculum Representative. She is remaining with the National Safety Council and will be managing the Board's social media and joining as a guest of the Curriculum Certification Committee.
- Kyndra Webb encouraged everyone to think about where the Board can make the greatest impact moving forward; such as social media initiatives, outreach efforts, educational resources, or any other projects to continue advancing the Child Passenger Safety field.

Safe Kids Worldwide– Cass Herring and Krystal Phillips

- Cass Herring shared certification program statistics. The numbers are trending upward, which reinforces the importance of sustainability, mentoring, and workforce development.
- Safe Kids held a CPS Summit as a pre-conference CEU training at Lifesavers. Once the data has been analyzed a full report will be created listing the findings.
 - There was also discussion pertaining to the Technician Survey and Audits.
- Cass Herring shared that May is Safe Kids Month.
- New "High Five" resources have been added to the Network Members Resource Center, offering five quick tips for each major risk area.

Executive Committee – Kristel Robison

- The Board approved a motion to set aside Toyota4Good funds for the 2027 National CPS Awards and the annual Jotform subscription.
 - Kristel Robison reviewed the Board's mission, participation expectations and Code of Conduct.
 - Kristel shared the Internal and External modes of communication that are utilized for the Board. The Board will continue to use Slack.
 - All Members and guests with standing approval have been invited to the respective NCPSB Committee Slack channels.
 - Slack use concerns were discussed, and possible solutions were shared.
 - Kristel Robison reminded the Board about the password-protected Resource Library and its contents.
 - The Board motioned to approve the edits to the Member Handbook
 - The Board discussed Code of Conduct violation concerns in the field and the review process.
 - Kristel Robison started discussion about the KIDZ IN MOTION International Child Passenger Safety Conference in August.
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- The Board discussed a session theme
 - Thank you to Graco for sponsoring the NCPSB booth at the conference.
- Vice-Chair Elect candidates were announced. Mike Munson and Marie Snodgrass spoke to the board.
 - Ballots were distributed to voting Board Members.

The meeting was adjourned by Britney Lombard at 3:49 PM CT.

Wednesday, May 6

The meeting was called to order by Kristel Robison at 9:03 AM CT.

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Guests:

- ☒ Ron Kremer – National Safety Council
- ☒ Liz Perez – Phoenix Children’s Hospital
- ☒ Kyndra Webb – National Safety Council

Guest Attendees:

- ☒ Jennifer Booge – National Safety Council
- ☐ Emily Burkhardt – Westat
- ☐ Ali Knieling – Tennessee Tech University iCube
- ☐ Elizabeth Petraglia – Westat
- ☒ Julie Brewer – Tennessee Tech University iCube
- ☐ Adele Polson – Westat
- ☒ Joe Powell – Tennessee Tech University iCube

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Executive Committee – Kristel Robison

- The Board celebrated outgoing Members Liz Perez and Kyndra Webb. Incoming Board Members were welcomed.
 - Amy Artuso – Curriculum Representative
 - Janet Werst – CPS Advocate
 - Renée St. Louis – Public Health/Research Representative
- Michael Munson was voted in as the Vice-Chair Elect for 2026 – 2027.
- The Board approved the Committee Members list and new Committee Chairs were named for each.
 - Kristel Robison will transition to the Community Engagement representative role.
 - Kyndra Webb is a Community Engagement Committee guest with standing approval.

Data Committee – Emily Burton and Michael Munson

- Jennifer Booge shared an NDCF Data Dashboard overview.
- Emily Burton updated the Board on the Strategic Plan.
 - Three overall goals for the Board to focus on were shared.
 - Booster seat usage & early transition was discussed as an ongoing need in the field and the Board discussed ways to support the field around this issue.

Curriculum Certification Committee – Cass Herring and Kyndra Webb

- Cass Herring shared processes that were developed through Safe Kids to improve customer service to respond to and address questions as they come up from the CPST community.
 - This information is found at <https://cert.safekids.org/resources-faqs/how-to>.
- Cass Herring discussed having a more formal process for designating Mentor Instructors and how to establish criteria on who should be a Mentor Instructor.
- Kyndra Webb shared analytics from the Hybrid course completions, *Car Seat Basics National Training Series* completions and the NCPSB Webinar Series Reach.
 - Kyndra Webb shared the new resources on cpsboard.org that support the 2024 *Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification Training*.
 - The Board discussed estimated completion time by module for the 2024 *Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification Hybrid Training*.
- Liz Perez reviewed and updated the webinar schedule through September 2026.
 - New Board Members were informed on moderator duties.

Community Engagement Committee – Marie Snodgrass

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- Marie Snodgrass shared current practices for bi-annual CPS coordinator calls.
 - Ron Kremer shared the social media reports and demographics of our social channels and cpsboard.org.
 - Ron Kremer credited the Board for the success and growth of followers.
 - Ron Kremer thanked Kyndra Webb and Britney Lombard for helping the Board Members with Canva.
 - Kyndra Webb celebrated Ron Kremer with a presentation for all his efforts and the work he has done on behalf of the Board.

The meeting was adjourned by Britney Lombard at 3:40 PM CT.

Thursday, May 7

The meeting was called to order by Kristel Robison at 9:00 AM CT.

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Community Engagement Committee – Kyndra Webb and Britney Lombard

- The social media schedule will be updated and shared in Slack.
 - Each Board Member will submit six posts two to three times a year.
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- Kyndra Webb and Britney Lombard shared information from their recent presentation, “#CarSeatSafety: Why Accessibility Matters as Much as Your Content”.
 - The Board discussed use of AI with further discussion to take place at a future Full Board meeting.

Outstanding Business – Kristel Robison

- The Board discussed focusing on mentorship and booster seat use and education.
 - The Board put to vote that this would be our direction. The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Britney Lombard at 11:54 AM CT.