

**Kansas Board of Regents
Academic Affairs Standing Committee**

**Tuesday, January 4, 2011
Conference Call
MINUTES**

The Academic Affairs Standing Committee of the Kansas Board of Regents met by Conference Call in Conference Room B of the Kansas Board of Regents, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, Kansas, at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2011. This meeting had been properly noticed pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Law on December 29, 2010.

Members present: Regent Dick Hedges, Chair
Regent Janie Perkins
Regent Mildred Edwards

Member absent: Regent Ed McKechnie

Staff present: Gary Alexander, Jean Redeker, Jacqueline Johnson, Joan Warren, and
Julene Miller

Present: Scott Rothschild, Lawrence Journal World

**Others present
by phone:** Gayle Shaw, Kansas Association of Community College Trustees; Allen
Rawitch, University of Kansas Medical Center; Chris Crawford, Fort Hays
State University, Lynette Olson and John Oppliger, Pittsburg State
University; and Jim Williams, Emporia State University

Meeting opened at 11:00 a.m.

Approve Minutes

November 30, 2010 Minutes

Regent Edwards moved, and Regent Perkins seconded the motion, to approve the November 30, 2010 Conference Call Minutes. Motion carried.

**Act on Request to Approval of a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science (CIP 31.0505)
Pittsburg State University**

Joan Warren presented the Pittsburg State University request for a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science (CIP 31.0505) to the Committee. John Oppliger provided additional information about the program pointing out the national trend in the field, student demand, use of existing faculty, department assessment of plans resulting in efficiencies with course offerings, etc.

Discussion followed:

- Funding by reallocation through restructuring classes, using existing classes and faculty
- Campus has a brand new wellness facility

Regent Perkins moved, and Regent Edwards seconded the motion, to recommend placing agenda item II.1. on the Thursday, January 20, 2011 consent agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents agenda. Motion carried.

Accept Annual Report on Qualified Admissions

Gary Alexander presented the Annual Qualified Admissions Report to BAASC.

KBOR is required by state statute to submit an annual report on the number and percent of freshmen and transfer students admitted by state universities as exceptions. The 2009-2010 freshmen data are similar to data from previous years.

Table 2 shows that state universities admitted less than 10% of freshmen resident students as exceptions except for Emporia State University. ESU admitted 10.3% of resident freshmen as exceptions. As a result, ESU has three fewer exception slots for the 2010-2011 freshmen class.

Tables 3-6 are for informational purposes. These tables provide aggregated data showing 79% of resident students were admitted under the test score criterion and the remaining 21% were admitted under the class rank, curriculum or exception criterion.

The number of Resident Transfer Students admitted as exceptions and the number of Non-resident Transfer Students admitted as exceptions are required reports. Transfer students admitted as exceptions have less than a cumulative GPA of 2.0 on 24 or more transfer credit hours. Admittance is at the discretion of the state university.

The state universities admitted less than 10% of both resident and non-resident transfer students as exceptions.

No discussion followed.

Regent Perkins moved, and Regent Edwards seconded the motion, to recommend placing agenda item II.2. on the Thursday, January 20, 2011 discussion agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents agenda. Motion carried.

Other Business

Discussion of Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP)

The Council of Chief Academic Officers, at its December 15, 2010 meeting, discussed the possibility of revising the procedures for the Midwest Student Exchange Program to allow flexibility to add programs and increase the enrollment.

Gary Alexander presented MSEP background information to BAASC:

- Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP) established in 1994 by the Midwest Higher Education Commission (MHEC)

- Goal is to increase access and affordability
- Participation is voluntary
- Approximately 140 colleges and university in the Midwest states participate
- Except for Kansas, individual institutions make decisions regarding programs and enrollment caps
- KBOR has set criteria for:
 - Approval of programs to be included in MSEP
 - Enrollment Caps which limits the number of out-of-state students enrolling in MSEP programs at state universities in Kansas to 255
- 985 Kansans leave the state for MSEP programs in other states
- Four times more students leaving the state for MSEP programs in other states than coming into Kansas to attend MSEP programs at state universities

Issues to Consider:

- Allow state universities to submit programs at any time for consideration for inclusion in MSEP
- Remove all MSEP enrollment caps and delegate decisions on such caps to each institution
- Review criteria for program inclusion to either simplify or eliminate them

Discussion followed:

- Removing enrollment cap might attract more out-of-state students
- History of lost enrollment opportunities due to the program submission process
- At the establishment of MSEP, university tuition was put into the state general fund
- The procedures need to be simplified

BAASC, by consensus, approve review of the MSEP procedures and development of a proposal for revisions and/or elimination of procedures.

BAASC Update Private Postsecondary Education

Jacqueline Johnson provided the Private Postsecondary Education update as follows:

- New programs received for review – 10
- New programs pending further review – 55
- Prospective Schools Requesting Applications – 2
- Renewal Applications Received – 7
- Renewal files expected in December - 6

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.