

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

**Tuesday, May 31, 2011  
Conference Call  
MINUTES**

The Academic Affairs Standing Committee of the Kansas Board of Regents met by Conference Call at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2011. This meeting had been properly noticed pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Law on May 26, 2011. Lacking a quorum, the Committee took no formal action. Regents Hedges and McKechnie reviewed the materials provided.

**Members present:** Regent Dick Hedges, Chair  
Regent Ed McKechnie

**Members absent:** Regent Janie Perkins  
Regent Mildred Edwards

**Staff present:** Gary Alexander, Jean Redeker, Jacqueline Johnson (by phone), Crystal Puderbaugh, Joan Warren, Blake Flanders, Chuck Kater, Don Richards, and Julene Miller

**Others present:** Gayle Shaw, Kansas Association of Community College Trustees and Scott Rothschild, Lawrence Journal World

**Others present by phone:** Barbara Romzek, University of Kansas; Bill Wojciechowski, Pratt Community College; Joe Burke, Labette Community College; Joyce Washburn, Colby Community College; John Masterson, Allen County Community College; Rob Edleston, Manhattan Area Technical College; Cynthia Rapp, Seward County Community College; Steve Wiens, Seward County Community College; Dean Hollenbeck, Flint Hills Technical College; Lisa Kirmer, Flint Hills Technical College; Steve Loewen, Flint Hills Technical College; Din Benjamin, North Central Kansas Technical College; Cia Verschelden, Highland Community College; Steve Porter, Highland Community College; Randy Pembroke, Washburn University; Rick Muma, Wichita State University

Meeting called to order at 11:00 a.m.

**Approve Minutes**

**May 5, 2011 Minutes**

**April 20, 2011 Performance Review Minutes**

**May 18, 2011 Performance Review Minutes**

Regent Hedges and Regent McKechnie reviewed the minutes.

### **Act on Performance Report Funding Requests**

Flint Hills Technical College requested that their funding be changed from 80% to 100%. The rationale for the request was included in the agenda materials. Staff support their request. Regent Hedges and Regent McKechnie were in favor of Flint Hills Technical College's request.

Barton Community College requested that their funding be changed from 80% to 100%. The rationale for this request was included in the agenda materials. Staff did not support the request. Regent Hedges and Regent McKechnie agreed with staff.

As requested by BAASC, staff developed a process by which an institution disagreeing with staff's funding recommendation may submit a written request to BAASC for consideration of a higher funding amount if it can demonstrate there were variables beyond its control. Any such request is due at least three weeks before the Board Academic Affairs Committee's review of the performance report and will be attached to, and considered part of, the performance report.

### **Agenda Planning**

#### **Act on Request for Approval for Additional Degree Granting Authority for the following:**

- **National American University**
- **Ashford University**
- **ITT Technical Institute**
- **Bryan College**

Jacqueline Johnson presented the above listed requests for additional degree granting authority.

National American University and Ashford University are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a United States Department of Education approved accrediting agency, and it is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

ITT Technical Institute and Bryan College are accredited by the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS) to award diplomas and Associate of Applied Studies degrees. ACICS is a nationally recognized accrediting agency by the United States Department of Education.

These institutions' qualifications, record keeping systems, coursework, materials, website platforms and/or campuses have been reviewed by Board staff, and staff recommends approval of these requests.

BAASC by consensus agreed to recommend placing agenda item III.1.a. on the Wednesday, June 15, 2011 consent agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents.

### **Approve Requests for Degree and Certificate Programs Submitted from Community Colleges and Technical Colleges**

Chuck Kater and Don Richards presented the requests for degree and certificate programs for the following:

**Dodge City Community College - Building Construction Technology (CIP 46.0415) for a technical certificate of 35 credit hours and an Associate of Applied Science Degree of 63 credit hours**

**Flint Hills Technical College - Welding Technology (CIP 48.0508) for a technical certificate of 24 credit hours and Sustainability Studies (03.0103)**

**Labette Community College - Electronic Technology/Technician (CIP 47.0105) f**

**North Central Kansas Technical College - Welding Engineering Technology/Technician (CIP 15.0614) for an Associate of Applied Science degree**

**Pratt Community College - Solar (Photovoltaic) Energy Technology (CIP 15.0505) for a technical certificate**

**Seward County Community College/Area Technical School - Corrosion Technology (CIP 15.0611) for an Associate of Applied Science Degree and two technical certificates, Atmospheric Corrosion and Cathodic Protection**

**Manhattan Area Technical College - Clinical Medical Laboratory Technician (51.1004).**

**The Kansas System of Community (19) and Technical (6) Colleges- -Associate of Applied Science in Technical Studies (CIP 30.9999) comprised of (60-68 credits).**

BAASC appreciated the collaboration occurring among the institutions and, in particular, the collaboration of Flint Hills Technical College and Emporia State University.

BAASC by consensus agreed to recommend placing agenda item III.1.b. on the Wednesday, June 15, 2011 consent agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents.

**Act on Request for New Degree Granting Authority for:**

- **Central Michigan University**
- **Wichita Technical Institute**

Jacqueline Johnson presented the Central Michigan University and Wichita Technical Institute requests for new degree granting authority.

Central Michigan University requests degree granting approval for Bachelor of Science in Community Development, Bachelor of Science in Administration, Bachelor of Science in Integrated Leadership Studies, Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Bachelor of Applied Arts in Administration, Master of Arts in Educational Technology, Master of Science in Administration.

Central Michigan University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, a United States Department of Education approved accrediting agency.

Wichita Technical Institute requests degree granting approval for Associate of Applied Science in Computer Technology and Network Administration.

WTI is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges, a United States Department of Education approved accrediting agency.

Staff thoroughly reviewed Central Michigan University's and Wichita Technical Institute's qualifications, record keeping systems, coursework, materials, website platforms and/or campuses and staff recommends approval of their requests.

BAASC by consensus agreed to recommend placing agenda item III.2.a. on the Wednesday, June 15, 2011 discussion agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents.

### **Act on Performance Reports**

Jean Redeker presented the January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 Performance Reports with funding recommendations.

BAASC by consensus agreed to recommend placing agenda item III.2.b. on the Wednesday, June 15, 2011 discussion agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents.

### **Other Business**

#### **Act on Requests to Revise Performance Agreements**

It is the responsibility of BAASC to act on requests for revisions to performance agreements as designees of the Board. Four institutions presented requests for changes: Allen County Community College, Barton Community College, Colby Community College, and Flint Hills Technical College. BAASC favored the changes, but due to the lack of a quorum, no action was taken on the requests for revisions of performance agreements. A short conference call will be scheduled for the purpose of acting on the requests to revise performance agreements.

### **BAASC Update Private Postsecondary Education – May 2011**

#### **Summary of Activity April 21, 2011 – May 19, 2011**

- Number of schools that have contacted us this month – 55
  - 47 - we are waiting on replies to our questions
  - 7 - applications have been sent to schools that do need to apply
  - 1 - school does not need to apply
- Number of new schools that have applied - 2
- New program requests received from existing schools – 10
- Renewal applications received – 5
- Renewal files expected by June 20, 2011 – 22

**Tentative Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee Conference Call Schedule –  
September 2011 to June 2012**

This was an informational item and no action is required.

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.