

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

**Tuesday, June 8, 2010  
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, June 8, 2010. This meeting had been properly noticed pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Law on April 30, 2010.

**Members present:** Regent Gary Sherrer  
Regent Janie Perkins  
Regent Donna Shank

**Member absent:** Regent Dick Hedges

**Staff present:** Gary Alexander, Jean Redeker, Joan Warren, Jacqueline Johnson, Blake Flanders, Chuck Kater, and Dennis Rittle

**Present:** Gayle Shaw, Kansas Association of Community College Trustees

**Others present  
by phone:** Paula Davis, Colby Community College; Barry Kaaz, Colby Community College;  
Tom Moorehous, Colby Community College; April Mason, Kansas State  
University, Allen Rawitch, University of Kansas Medical Center; Barbara Romzek,  
University of Kansas

Meeting opened at 11:00 a.m.

**Approve Minutes**

**May 4, 2010 Minutes**

**May 19, 2010 Performance Reports Review Minutes**

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to approve the May 4, 2010 Minutes and the May 19, 2010 Performance Reports Review Minutes. Motion passed.

**Agenda Planning**

**Wednesday, 06/23/2010 Consent Agenda**

- a. **Approve Request for Additional Degree Granting Authority for Concorde Career College to Offer an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing**
- b. **Approve Request for Additional Degree Granting Authority for Bryan College to Offer an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice and an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Medical Administrative Specialist**

**c. Approve Request for Additional Degree Granting Authority for Pinnacle Career Institute, Lawrence, Kansas for an Associate of Applied Science – Health Information Technician**

Jacqueline Johnson introduced the requests for additional degree granting authority from Concorde Career College, Bryan College and Pinnacle Career Institute to the Standing Committee. There were no questions and no discussion.

**d. Approve Request for Degree and Certificate Programs Submitted from Community Colleges and Technical Colleges for the following: Dodge City Community College and Area Technical Center – Technical Certificate, Electrical Transmissions System Technician (46.0303) and Colby Community College – Associate of Applied Science and two Technical Certificates, Sustainable/Renewable Energy (CIP 14.9999)**

Chuck Kater introduced the Dodge City Community College and Area Technical Center's and Colby Community College's requests for degree and certificate programs. No letters of objection were received concerning these requests. The proposed Dodge City Community College and Area Technical Center's Technical Certificate, Electrical Transmissions System Technician (46.0303) does not duplicate any programs within the state.

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda items II.1.a-d on the Wednesday, Consent Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June 2010 agenda. Motion passed.

**Wednesday, 06/23/2010 Discussion Agenda**

- a. Approve Request for New Degree Granting Authority for Everest University, Orlando, Florida**
- b. Approve Request for New Degree Granting Authority for Everest College – Phoenix**
- c. Approve Request for New Degree Granting Authority for Everest College to Offer an Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice**

It was noted that the Everest University and Everest College requests are not in the correct order on the agenda. Page 25 should be the Everest University, Orlando, Florida, but instead is the Everest College, Kansas City. Staff will correct this.

Jacqueline Johnson introduced the Everest University, Orlando Florida, Everest College, Phoenix, and Everest College, Kansas City requests for new degree granting authority.

The Kansas Private and Out-of-State Postsecondary Educational Institution Act (hereinafter "the Postsecondary Educational Institution Act") gives the Board of Regents responsibility for authorizing schools to deliver instruction in Kansas. The scope of this responsibility includes most private institutions located in the state of Kansas and extends to qualifying private and public colleges and universities located outside of Kansas.

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda items II.2.a-c on the Wednesday, Discussion Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June 2010 agenda. Motion passed.

**d. Adopt Amendments to Regulation Changing the Definition of “Bachelor’s Degree” and “Baccalaureate” Requirement of at Least 124 Semester Credit Hours, or the Equivalent, to 120 Semester Credit Hours or the Equivalent**

Gary Alexander introduced the request to amend the Private Postsecondary Education Regulations. It is related to item II.4.d. on the agenda as both requests relate to the number of credit hours required for a baccalaureate degree. The majority of the states require 120 semester credit hours, or the equivalent, for a baccalaureate degree. Kansas requires a minimum of 124 semester credit hours for its baccalaureate degrees. These requests are an effort to maintain uniformity of the minimum semester credit hours within the baccalaureate degrees. It was determined that it would be advisable to table the two agenda items II.2.d and II.4.d with two new Regents and the new CEO/President coming on Board this year. They will need time to become familiar with all of the issues related to the Board of Regents.

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to table the two agenda items II.2.d and II.4.d concerning the minimum semester credit hours for baccalaureate degrees. Motion passed.

**e. Act on Performance Reports**

Jean Redeker introduced the Performance Reports. This report reflects the consensus of the Standing Committee’s review of each of the institution’s reports. Staff standardized the language in the evaluation column of the reports as per the Committee’s request at its May 21 Performance Review Meeting.

There was no discussion.

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda item II.2.e on the Wednesday, Discussion Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June agenda. Motion passed.

**Thursday, 06/24/2010 Consent Agenda**

**a. Approve Request for a Master of Science in Health Informatics (51.2706) – University of Kansas Medical Center**

Gary Alexander introduced the above listed request for a new Master of Science degree at the University of Kansas Medical Center. Allen Rawitch represented the University of Kansas Medical Center.

There was no discussion.

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda item II.3.a on the Thursday, Consent Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June Agenda. Motion passed.

**b. Approve Request for a Master of Science in Instructional Leadership (13.0404) – Emporia State University**

Gary Alexander introduced the above listed request for a new Master of Science degree at Emporia State University. One question was asked about where this degree will be offered other than online. Board staff will find-out and provide BAASC with the information.

Regent Perkins moved and Regent Shank seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda item II. 3.b on the Thursday Consent Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June agenda. Motion carried.

**Thursday, 06/24/2010 Discussion Agenda****a. Adopt Policy Amendment to Authorize Awarding of Honorary Degrees**

Gary Sherrer introduced the policy amendment to add awarding of Honorary Degrees. This amendment comes from the Council of Presidents.

Discussion followed:

- The word “professional” was added to bullet point one
- “Kansas elected official” was removed from bullet point 4 to allow officials from foreign countries to be given an honorary degree
- “Exceptions may be made by the Board” should be removed – Board has the authority to do so without putting it in the policy

Regent Perkins moved and Regent Shank seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda item II.4.a on the Thursday Discussion Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June Agenda contingent upon removing the last sentence of bullet 5 “Exceptions may be made by the Board.” Motion passed.

**b. Receive Concurrent Enrollment Compliance Review**

Gary Alexander introduced the Concurrent Enrollment Compliance Review:

This report is provided to fulfill the requirement of the Kansas Board of Regents’ Policies and Procedures Manual [Chapter IV.8.c.(2)] that “by January 31 of odd-numbered years, each public postsecondary institution will provide a list of high schools involved in formal CEP [Concurrent Enrollment Partnership] agreements.” From this list, KBOR staff selects “no more than two” high schools for further review. For these schools, each institution is asked to submit a copy of the CEP agreement, including the implementation of instructors’ professional development and the student guide for CEP students; and a report of the most recent review by postsecondary faculty of all CEP courses.

In Spring 2009, institutions were asked to provide information on the Concurrent Enrollment Partnership agreements they have in place. Staff has reviewed the information and finds the schools to be in compliance. This report is presented to the Board for information.

This report was based on information provided by postsecondary institutions regarding their formal Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships with high schools. It thus does not include high school students who enroll at a postsecondary institution without a formal agreement between the high school and postsecondary institution.

Discussion followed:

- Board staff will follow up on the “standard” for qualifying for concurrent enrollment
- Concurrent enrollment students have to meet the requirements for admission to the postsecondary institution
- Another category of students is the student taking college credit while in high school who is not participating in concurrent enrollment

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda item II.4. b on the Thursday, Discussion Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June Agenda. Motion passed.

**c. Receive Spoken English Language Competency of Faculty and Graduate Teaching Assistants Report for Academic Year 2008-2009**

Gary Alexander presented the Spoken English Language Competency of Faculty and Graduate Teaching Assistants Report for Academic Year 2008-2009. No faculty were hired who were potentially deficient in English.

Discussion followed:

- Student evaluations should cover whether or not students have been able to understand faculty
- All institutions have a student grievance process for not being able to understand a professor
- Student evaluations should be a part of the report

Regent Perkins moved and Regent Shank seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda item II.4. c on the Thursday, Discussion Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June Agenda. Motion passed.

**d. Act on Request to Modify Regents' Universities Minimum Requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree**

This agenda item was tabled with agenda item II.2. d.

**e. KSU Calendar Request**

Gary Alexander presented Kansas State University's request to modify its academic calendar for spring semesters 2011, 2012, and 2013 as follows:

<b>Move From</b>	<b>To</b>
Thursday, January 13, 2011	Tuesday, January 18, 2011
Thursday, January 12, 2012	Tuesday, January 17, 2012
Thursday, January 17, 2013	Tuesday, January 20, 2013

The revised calendar being proposed by Kansas State University involves moving the start date for the spring semesters from the Thursday before the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to the Tuesday after.

Regent Shank moved and Regent Perkins seconded the motion to recommend placing agenda item II.4. e on the Thursday, Discussion Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents June Agenda. Motion passed.

**Other Business**

**a. Monthly Private Postsecondary Education Update June 2010**

Jacqueline Johnson presented the monthly Private Postsecondary Education Update as of June 2010 as follows: Additional Degree Granting Authority – 6; Schools in Process – 31; Additional Degree Granting Authority Pending – 2; Additional School Activity – 2; and New Schools in Process – 5.

**Other Business**

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.