

Council of Chief Academic Officers

Thursday, April 8, 2010
3:00 p.m.
Or upon adjournment of SCOCAO
Conference Room B
Kansas Board of Regents
Curtis State Office Building
Topeka, KS

Minutes Amended May 13, 2010

The Council of Chief Academic Officers met in the Kathy Rupp Conference Room of the Kansas Board of Regents Office, Suite 520, 1000 SW Jackson, Topeka, Kansas, at 2:20 p.m. by teleconference/conference call on Thursday, April 8, 2010.

Members Present:

Gary Alexander, KBOR	Larry Gould, Provost, FHSU
Barbara Romzek, Interim Vice Provost, KU	Ruth Dyer, Sr. Vice Provost, KSU
Lynette Olson, Provost, PSU	April Mason, Provost, KSU
Gary Miller, Provost, WSU	Tes Mehring, Provost, ESU
Allen Rawitch, VCAA, KUMC	Tim Peterson, Washburn University

Board Staff Present:

Gary Alexander, KBOR; Jacqueline Johnson, KBOR, and Jean Redeker, KBOR

Approve Minutes of March 11, 2010

Tes Mehring moved and Allen Rawitch seconded the motion to approve the March 11, 2010 minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes of March 17, 2010

Allen Rawitch moved and Tes Mehring seconded the motion to approve the March 17, 2010 minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

University Press of Kansas

In the absence of Larry Gould, Allen Rawitch indicated that the intent of reviewing items 2. and 3. was to verify that all the information that COCAO, as Board of Trustees, has requested is on the list of items.

The Council recommended in item 2 the word “subsidy” be changed to “allotment.”

Gary Miller moved and Tes Mehring seconded the motion to change “subsidy” to “allotment” in item 2.

Discussion followed:

- COCAO is the Board of Trustees for the University Press of Kansas (UPK) and as such is taking action on the request to change “subsidy” to “allotment” and to re-instate the UPK allotment
- COCAO will also be approving this list as a request to the University Press of Kansas for more detailed information on the annual report
- Last year, the Council suspended the allotment for one year

Allen Rawitch moved and Barbara Romzek seconded the motion to amend the motion to include approving re-instatement of the allotment and recommend to the Council of Presidents that the University Press of Kansas be funded.

The motion to amend the motion carried.

The original motion moved by Gary Miller and seconded by Tes Mehring has been amended and reads as follows: to approve re-instating the University Press of Kansas’ allotment and recommending to the Council of Presidents that it be funded and to approve the amended list of four items (changing “subsidy” to “allotment” in item 2.) that requests additional information be included in the UPK’s annual report.

Motion carried.

New Program Request

ESU – Request for Approval of a Master of Science in Instructional Leadership (13.0404) (SECOND READING)

No comments were received on the above listed proposed program. There was no discussion.

Gary Miller moved and Allen Rawitch seconded the motion to recommend placing the above listed new program request on the May 2010 Council of Presidents' Agenda. Motion carried.

Program Request

ESU – Requests approval to change the name of the Master of Science in Art Therapy to the Master of Science in Art Therapy Counseling

Emporia State University requests approval to change the Master of Science in Art Therapy to the Master of Science in Art Therapy Counseling. Tes Mehring indicated that this request will meet the needs of students seeking licensure as a LPC that requires an applicant must have graduated from a program with the term “Counseling” in the title.

April Mason moved and Gary Miller seconded the motion to approve Emporia State University’s request to change the Master of Science in Art Therapy to the Master of Science in Art Therapy Counseling. Motion carried.

Informational Items

PSU – Informational Item - ~~The Industrial Engineering Technology program is approved for phasing out and the approval back dated to 3/26/2003~~ New Automotive Technical Concentration within the Bachelor’s of Science in Automotive Technology 15.0803

~~The above phasing out was in response to industry.~~ Pittsburg State University submitted the above mentioned informational item for the Council. This concentration is in response to industry needs and student demand. No action is required.

Discuss Retreat June 3 and 4, 2010

The Council agreed by consensus to wait one more month to discuss the retreat.

Board staff were asked to contact Kim Krull for more details about the KCIA June 3 and 4 agenda. Specifically ask if there are any issues that would pertain to COCAO.

Status of the Council of Deans and Directors of Libraries Consortial Proposal

This discussion took place at the System Council of Chief Academic Officers and COCAO had no further discussion.

Policy on Awarding Honorary Degrees

A revised version of the policy was sent to the Council by e-mail and presented at this meeting.

Item iii “Each institution shall develop guidelines, criteria and procedures for selecting candidates for an honorary degree” was dropped from the policy. Will that make it necessary for the universities to have uniform guidelines, criteria and procedures? The Council agreed that item “iii” should be re-inserted into the revised policy.

Gary Miller moved and Barbara Romzek seconded the motion to amend the policy by inserting item iii “Each institution shall develop guidelines, criteria and procedures for selecting candidates for an honorary degree.”

Motion carried.

Allen Rawitch moved and Gary Miller seconded the motion to accept the Policy on Awarding Honorary Degrees as amended.

Motion carried.

Other Business

Informational Item on Academic Specialty Programs

Jean Redeker informed COCAO that it is time to seek approval of academic specialty programs. These programs do not include distance education programs. The academic specialty programs have a ten-year approval cycle allowing them to be offered outside of an institution’s geographic jurisdiction. Many of the academic specialty programs that were approved are still offered and need to be approved for another ten-year cycle.

Jean Redeker will be sending out a list to each of the institutions that have or have had academic specialty programs. There will be directions on what information will be needed to renew approvals. Staff is aware that many of the programs are still offered and that several have been discontinued.

Annual Accreditation and Advising Reports

These reports will be on the April 15, 2010 Discussion Agenda of the Kansas Board of Regents agenda.

Please be aware that the Regents will be asking questions regarding the accreditation reports.

Board staff has already answered a few questions, after contacting the university for more detailed information.

There being no other business, Gary Miller moved and April Mason seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

Sincerely,

Chris Crawford, Fort Hays State University
For Larry Gould, Chair,
Vice President for Academic Affairs,
Fort Hays State University

Council of Chief Academic Officers

Wednesday, April 14, 2010
12:00 – 1:15 p.m.
Conference Room
Curtis State Office Building
1000 SW Jackson Street Suite 520
Kansas Board of Regents

MINUTES

The Council of Chief Academic Officers met in the Kathy Rupp Conference Room of the Kansas Board of Regents Office, Suite 520, 1000 SW Jackson, Topeka, Kansas, on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Larry Gould, Provost, FHSU	Tes Mehring, Provost, ESU
Danny Anderson, Interim Provost, KU	Gary Miller, Provost, WSU
April Mason, Provost, KSU	Nancy Tate, Interim VPAA, WU
Lynette Olson, Provost, PSU	Gary Alexander, KBOR
Allen Rawitch, VCAA, KU Med Center	Barbara Romzek, Interim Sr. Vice Provost, KU
Ruth Dyer, Sr. Vice Provost, KSU	

Staff Present

Jacqueline Johnson, KBOR; Jean Marie Redeker, KBOR; Dianne Glass, KBOR; and Joan Warren, KBOR

Proposed Amendment to the Admission Policy

Danny Anderson, University of Kansas, distributed a draft proposal to amend the Admission Policy as follows:

Each state university may implement additional standards that are in keeping with its mission. Based on these standards, institutions will choose admitted students from among those who meet the Kansas Board of Regents admission requirements. Such additional standards must be consistent with the goals of broadening access and participation, improving persistence and completion rates, and promoting diversity and overall quality of the educational experience.

Danny Anderson asked COCAO if it would be supportive of this proposal.

Discussion followed:

- Other states do not have standards in statutes
- Obtain input from campuses
- The Admissions Task Force discussed the implementation of additional standards and supported it

- Replace on the bottom of page 2 of the draft admissions standards “*An institution may seek Board approval to implement other standards that are in keeping with its mission” with the proposed language
- Objections to the draft standards
 - Elitist – keeping students out
 - The four years of math
 - One size fits all
- Include” undergraduate admission” language
- Does this draft take into consideration the strategic questions
- Institutions need time to analyze the pool of students applying to determine how they are admitted
- Want students to have access, to participate, and to succeed

COCAO agreed by consensus to develop an endorsement of support for this proposal.

Other Business

Clarification of the Library Proposal

The Council of Deans and Directors of Libraries (CODDL) will present its proposal later. CODDL, for the purposes of purchasing this year, will develop a base package of software needs for all sectors of the system and a strategy for managing it. CODDL will also develop a business plan and budget for the proposal for COCAO to consider.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

Sincerely,

Larry Gould, Chair,
Vice President for Academic Affairs,
Fort Hays State University