Kansas Board of Regents Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee

MINUTES Wednesday, May 15, 2019

The May 15, 2019, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Murguia at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was held in the Board Office located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, KS.

In Attendance:

Members: Regent Murguia Regent Schmidt Regent Thomas

Regent Van Etten

Staff: Jean Redeker Scott Smathers Sam Christy-Dangermond

Crystal Puderbaugh Jennifer Armour Judd McCormack

Cindy Farrier

Others: Brad Bennett, Colby CC Jeff Briggs, FHSU Nancy Zenger-Beneda, Cloud County CC

Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Erin Shaw, Highland CC Marc Malone, Garden City CC Lynette Olson, PSU Rick Muma, WSU Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Carl Lejuez, KU Brian Niehoff, KSU Michael Fitzpatrick, Pratt CC

Regent Murguia welcomed everyone.

Committee Matters

- Regent Thomas moved to approve the March 20th, April 1st, and April 29th meeting minutes. Following the second of Regent Schmidt, the motion carried.
- Strategic Program Alignment Policy Pilot for KU and WSU was presented by Jean Redeker, KBOR, Carl Lejuez, KU, and Rick Muma, WSU. Jean Redeker presented background information and introduced Carl Lejuez, KU and Rick Muma, WSU to present their institution's Strategic Program Alignment.

Carl Lejuez presented the recommendations for Strategic Program Alignment for KU. The first program alignment is Global and International Studies with a Master's program and a Certificate program coordinated with the KU Edwards Campus and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. The second program alignment is an undergraduate Biology program. KU is offering Biology degrees more specifically aligned to meet workforce needs. KU is working on efficiencies throughout the Lawrence campus and has identified other programs for future program alignment, such as:

- o Joint programs with KU Edwards Campus in Engineering Management Master's and Program Management Master's
- Master of Science in Business

Rick Muma presented the recommendations for Strategic Program Alignment for WSU. WSU has been doing an internal program review for several years and has identified several programs with active work plans for improvement:

Bachelor's programs - 25 majors/ 10 degrees Master's programs - 20 majors/ 5 degrees Doctorate programs - 5 majors/ 2 degrees

The first program alignment WSU selected is a bachelor's and master's program in Liberal Studies. The bachelor's program is not needed as most students are now electing the Bachelor of General Studies program. The master's program is more generally duplicative of other master's programs.

The second program alignment is a bachelor's program in Women Studies. WSU students have requested topics that have a broader appeal to underserved populations. WSU is realigning the mission, departments, and will offer courses in dimensions of diversity.

Regent Schmidt moved to approve the Strategic Program Alignment recommendations by KU and WSU. Following the second of Regent Thomas, the motion carried.

• Request for Approval for the Bachelor of Music Education Degree in Excess of 120 credit hours at PSU was presented by Jean Redeker, KBOR, and Lynette Olson, PSU. Susan Marchant, PSU, and Matthew Montague, PSU, presented the changes made to streamline areas throughout the curriculum. The degree was revised to achieve dual certification in K-12 vocal and instrumental education within 4 years at 129 credit hours.

Regent Thomas moved to approve the Bachelor of Music Education Degree in Excess of 120 credit hours at PSU. Following the second of Regent Van Etten, the motion carried.

- Presentation of the Study of University and College Service Areas (Board Goal 5) At its March 2019 meeting, BAASC suggested the following:
 - o Revisions to the university service area map to show KSU's Olathe campus in Johnson County,
 - o Possibly shifting university service area boundaries to reflect a population shift, and
 - o Potentially changing the appeal process to include the Board as the final arbitrator.

Discussion was held and by consensus, BAASC recommends no changes to the service areas. BAASC requested an update next year on the long-term effect of population trends on service areas.

- The State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement Report (SARA) was presented by Jennifer Armour. SARA allows accredited degree-granting institutions to offer distance education in member states without having to seek individual authorization from those states. Some of the highlights from the report are:
 - o 1,900 participating institutions in 49 member states, two territories, and one district
 - 43 Kansas institutions are participating
 - o 18,000 out-of-state students enrolled in Kansas for AY2017 and AY 2018
 - o 9,000 Kansans enrolled in distance education in another state for AY2017 and AY2018
 - o Starting AY2019, institutions are required to report all out-of-state learning placements such as clinical rotations, student teaching, internships, etc.

BAASC thanked Jennifer for the report and appreciates the work of the Private Postsecondary staff.

The Demonstration of the Transfer Feedback Reporting Tool was presented by Judd McCormack.
Kansas Higher Education Statistics (KHEStats) is an interactive, web-based reporting tool on the Kansas Board of
Regents website. This tool allows the user to view a variety of data on fall transfer students from one public
institution to another public institution, and now includes technical colleges. The tool will also provide fall transfer
information by programs and trend charts.

BAASC thanked Judd for the demonstration and appreciates the work of the Data Research and Planning Unit.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Regent Murguia adjourned the meeting at 11:38 pm.