Kansas Board of Regents Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee

MINUTES Wednesday, October 16, 2019

The October 16, 2019, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Schmidt at 9:38 a.m. The meeting was held by conference call.

In Attendance:

Members: Regent Schmidt, Chair Regent Harrison-Lee Regent Kiblinger

Regent Van Etten

Staff: Daniel Archer Karla Wiscombe Samantha Christy-Dangermond

Erin Wolfram Julene Miller Amy Robinson Charmine Chambers April Henry Crystal Puderbaugh

Institutions: ESU FHSU Hutchinson CC

KUKUMCPratt CCKSUWashburn TechFort Scott CCWSUPSUButler CC

WSU Tech

Regent Schmidt welcomed everyone and roll call was taken.

Approval of Minutes

Regent Van Etten moved to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2019 meeting. Regent Kiblinger seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Work Topics Update

- The Committee previously heard about academic advising, such as types of resources and guidance that may help students plan and make discussions. It was noted it may be helpful to learn about strategies being used at the six Kansas public universities. Each of these universities will present on these topics at an upcoming face-to-face meeting over the next four months:
 - 1. Core advising areas and who provides the advising.
 - 2. Information on first-year advising programs such as how the university helps students select majors, what resources are used to educate and inform students of their options such as an institution website, portal or external resources, and if K-12 Individual Plans of Studies (IPS) are being used to explore career and post-secondary opportunities.
 - 3. Data analytics such as how data is being used to identify students that may need support and specialized services.
 - 4. Career advising such as how programs are administered and what resources are employed.
 - 5. Advising assessments and how advising programs are evaluated and assessed to identify strengths and areas of improvement.
- In addition to institutions presenting, the National Academic Advising Association known as NACADA will present on evidence based academic advising practices, strategies and resources that help strengthen academic advising programs.
 - Regent Van Etten asked how the community and technical colleges do their advising and it was discussed that information from them may be helpful as well. Daniel stated that this information can be worked in if the Committee decides to do so.

Regent Van Etten discussed that not all K-12 resources are the same at every school and asked how this would be addressed. Daniel responded that he would like to have someone from KSDE present on IPS and any requirements they have. Daniel stated he would also like to bring in counselors from different sized districts to see their perspectives on how they can be helped and how we can all be more effective.

Regent Kiblinger commented that she would also like to hear from the community and technical colleges on their academic advising plans. In regard to K-12, Regent Kiblinger stated there are standard expectations on their IPS. She stated that KSDE may be able to poll the schools for information on what resources they are using. Regent Kiblinger stated she had sent out a letter to superintendents recently looking for counselors to present information and is keeping track of names.

- For IPS, Daniel stated they would work on having regular meetings each semester with KSDE to collaborate and share information, as well as follow up on getting information from counselors.
- The college-going rate has been calculated at 65% and includes in-state public and private institutions and out-of-state public and private institutions. At the November meeting Daniel will provide the college-going rate and FAFSA completion rate by school district. He noted that staff started working on data for those who enter the military. Staff plans to seek assistance with obtaining other data from KSDE.

Regent Schmidt discussed professions such as direct support professionals or those who assist the elderly, noting many of them do not go to college but instead go straight into the work force after high school. Regent Schmidt discussed identifying training needs for these types of low wage professions and this was discussed in the Governors Education Counsel. He stated that there were associations or groups that can possibly assist with data and help break down the 35% of high school graduates who do not go to college.

• Crystal Puderbaugh discussed the proposed private postsecondary statutory changes. The goal of the proposed changes is to clarify and strengthen the Board's authority over private and out-of-state postsecondary schools that operate in Kansas and to also strengthen the consumer protections and increase institutional accountability for institutions that are regulated by the Board. Crystal stated more detail will be presented on the November 4th BAASC conference call. Proposed changes include updates to definitions and exemptions, requiring an accredited status for an institution before providing a certificate of approval with degree granting authority, adding language to add provisional certificates of approval, and expanding the Board's ability to fine institutions for violations.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be at 11:00 a.m., November 4, 2019, by conference call. The Committee will tentatively:

- Review the agenda for November 20th Board meeting at PSU
- Continue to approve AY 2018 Performance Reports
- Approve PPS UMKC School
- Be provided further information on the proposed PPS statutory changes
- An executive session will occur at the end of the meeting

Adjournment

Regent Kiblinger moved to adjourn the meeting. Regent Harrison-Lee seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m.