

Council of Chief Academic Officers

MINUTES

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

The March 20, 2019, meeting of the Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Chair Lynette Olson at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held in the Suite 530 located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Topeka, KS.

In Attendance:

Members:	Lynette Olson, PSU	David Cordle, ESU	Jeff Briggs, FHSU
	Charles Taber, KSU	Carl Lejuez, KU	Rick Muma, WSU
	Mike Werle, KUMC	JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn	Jean Redeker, KBOR
Staff:	Karla Wiscombe	Max Fridell	Sam Christy-Dangermond
	Cindy Farrier	Natalie Yoza	
Others:	Jon Marshall, Allen CC	Lori Winningham, Butler CC	Kim Krull, Butler CC
	Nancy Zenger-Beneda, Cloud CC	Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC	Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC
	Steve Loewen, FHTC	Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC	Erin Shaw, Highland CC
	Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC	Michael McCloud, JCCC	Rick Moehring, JCCC
	Brian Niehoff, KSU	Tim Davis, FHSU	Matt Pounds, NWKTC
	Cliff Morris, PSU	Linnea GlenMaye, WSU	Clayton Whitson, Fort Scott CC
	Spencer Wood, KSU	Jeff Jarman, WSU	Betty Smith-Campbell, WSU
	Gwen Ferdinand Jacob, KSU	Andrew Hippisley, WSU	John Buchwelter, KSU
	Dennis Livesay, WSU	Greg Murray, PSU	Tim Dawsy, PSU
	Michael Jorgansen, WSU	Gary Brooking, WSU	Steven Lovett, ESU
	Mike Calvert, Pratt CC	Brad Bennet, Colby CC	Michael Fitzpatrick, Pratt CC
	Ryan Ruda, Garden City CC	Stephani Johns-Hines, SATC	Todd Carter, Seward CC

Chair Lynette Olson welcomed everyone and started introductions.

Approval of Minutes

Rick Muma moved to approve the February 20th minutes. Following the second of Charles Taber, the motion carried.

Second Program Readings

- FHSU – Master of Social Work

Jeff Briggs presented the degree information, and the proposal is in response to a regional need for a full-time degree in the area. Tim Davis was introduced and available to answer questions.

Rick Muma moved to approve the Master of Social Work degree at FHSU, and Charles Taber seconded the motion. Carl Lejuez expressed concerns on the effect FHSU Master of Social Work degree will have on the degree partnership between FHSU and KU.

A vote was held, and the motion passed with one dissenting vote. This degree proposal will be presented to the Council of Presidents at its April meeting.

- KSU – Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

Charles Taber presented the degree information and background for the degree. John Buchwelter, Gwen Ferdinand Jacob, and Ronald Fees were introduced and available to answer questions. WSU and KUMC have expressed concerns in writing about the degree proposal. The concerns primarily related to the competition for and availability of clinical sites.

David Cordle moved to approve the Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies degree at KSU. Jeff Briggs seconded the motion.

Discussion was held over various aspects of the degree proposal, including but not limited to:

- Availability of clinical sites and the distribution of available slots
- Payment to obtain clinical sites
- Lack of Physician Assistant degrees within Kansas
- Funding aspect does not appear to include all the future costs
- Additional expenses for students to obtain the required testing and immunizations

A vote was held, and the motion passed with two dissenting votes. This degree proposal will be presented to the Council of Presidents at its April meeting.

- PSU – Associate of Applied Science in Plastics Technology
Lynette Olson presented the degree program and introduced Tim Dawsey and Greg Murray.

Rick Muma moved to approve the Associate of Applied Science in Plastics Technology at PSU. Following the second of Carl Lejuez, the motion carried. This degree proposal will be presented to the Council of Presidents at its meeting today.

First Program Readings

- WSU – Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Engineering
Rick Muma presented the degree program and introduced Dennis Livesay. Dennis Livesay discussed the degree program and answered questions. If there are further comments or questions, please contact Rick Muma. This is a doctorate program first reading and no action is required.
- WSU – Bachelor of Science in Applied Computing
Rick Muma presented the degree program and introduce Dennis Livesay. Dennis Livesay discussed the degree program and answered questions. If there are further comments or questions, please contact Rick Muma prior to the April 17, 2019, meeting. This is a first reading and no action is required.
- KU - Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts in Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology and Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts in Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology
Carl Lejuez presented the degree programs and the need to offer specific majors in these areas instead of current subplans within the biology degree. If there are further comments or questions, please contact Carl Lejuez prior to the April 17, 2019, meeting. This is a first reading and no action is required.
- KU - Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of General Studies in American Sign Language and Deaf Studies
Carl Lejuez presented the degree program and the partnership with JCCC. If there are further comments or questions, please contact Carl Lejuez prior to the April 17, 2019, meeting. This is a first reading and no action is required.
- KU - Master of Arts in Leadership in Diversity and Inclusion
Carl Lejuez presented the degree program and answered questions. If there are further comments or questions, please contact Carl Lejuez prior to the April 17, 2019, meeting. This is a first reading and no action is required.

Other Requests

- KU - Request for Approval for Undergraduate Minor in Intelligence and National Security Studies
Carl Lejuez presented the information for the undergraduate minor listed above.

Charles Taber moved to approve the Undergraduate Minor in Intelligence and National Security Studies at KU. Following the second of David Cordle, motion carried.

- KUMC - Request to Change the Department of Biostatistics to the Department of Biostatistics and Data Science
Mike Werle presented the information for the department name change listed above.

Rick Muma moved to approve the request for the department name change listed above at KUMC. Following the second of David Cordle, motion carried.

- KSU - Request to Change Ph.D. Program name from Human Nutrition to Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health
Charles Taber presented the information for the program name change listed above. Carl Lejuez moved to approve the program name change listed above at KSU. Following the second of Rick Muma, motion carried.

Council of Faculty Senate Presidents (CoFSP) Update

Clifford Morris, PSU, stated CoFSP will discuss Open Educational Resources and Parental Leave at its meeting today.

OTHER MATTERS

- Undergraduate Research Day at Capital on March 20th
- University Press of Kansas Board of Trustees tentative May 15th meeting
- Tilford Conference discussion scheduled for April 17th

Rick Muma moved to adjourn the meeting. Following the second of Carl Lejuez, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:52 am.