Council of Chief Academic Officers  
MINUTES  

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

The January 15, 2020, meeting of the Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Chair David Cordle at 9:12 a.m. The meeting was held in Suite 530, located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Topeka, KS.

In Attendance:
Members:  
- David Cordle, ESU  
- Howard Smith, PSU  
- Carl Lejuez, KU  
- Charles Taber, K-State  
- JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn  
- Rick Muma, WSU  
- Michael Werle, KUMC

Staff:  
- Daniel Archer  
- Karla Wiscombe  
- Erin Wolfram  
- Cindy Farrier  
- Sam Christy-Dangermond  
- Charmine Chambers  
- Marti Leisinger  
- Amy Robinson  
- April Henry  
- Natalie Yoza

Others:  
- Elaine Simmons, Barton CC  
- Steve Loewen, Flint Hills Tech  
- Jean Redeker, KU  
- Jennifer Ball, Washburn  
- Heather Morgan, KACCT  
- Kaye Monk-Morgan, WSU  
- Erin Shaw, Highland CC  
- Beth Ann Krueger, KCKCC  
- Craig Harms, K-State  
- Kim Krull, Butler CC  
- Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC  
- Michael Werle, KUMC  
- Linnea GlenMaye, WSU  
- Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC  
- Greg Schneider, ESU  
- Matt Pounds, NWK Tech  
- Lori Winningham, Butler CC  
- Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC  
- Brian Niehoff, K-State  
- Mike Calvert, Pratt CC  
- Joe McCann, Seward County CC  
- Marlon Thornburg, Coffeyville CC  
- Kevin Bracker, PSU  
- Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC  

Chair David Cordle welcomed everyone.

Approval of Minutes
Howard Smith moved to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2019 meeting. Chuck Taber seconded the motion and the motion passed.

First Reading
K-State is requesting approval to offer a Bachelor of Science in Integrative Physiology. Chuck Tabor discussed the program which will be in their Department of Kinesiology in the College of Health and Human Sciences. He noted that they have had increasing interest and demand in pre-professional health programs at the undergraduate level. This program will serve this need and focus on preparing students interested in a health science career that plan to go onto professional schooling. Chuck introduced Dr. Craig Harms, head of the Department of Kinesiology. Chuck noted they are not asking for any additional resources as they will utilize the existing faculty. The Committee presented no questions and action will be taken at the next meeting.

Second Reading
FHSU is requesting approval to offer a Master of Science in Athletic Training. The Committee heard a first reading in December, and no additional questions were presented.
Rick Muma moved to approve FHSU’s request to offer a Master of Science in Athletic. Chuck Taber seconded the motion and the motion passed. This request will go to COPS for approval later in the morning.

Other Requests
The Committee was presented with four requests from K-State: three name changes and one request to create a new department.

Chuck gave an overview of the K-State request for approval to change the name of their Professional Science Masters in Applied Science and Technology to Professional Science Masters in Applied Biosciences. Jill Arensdorf motioned for the Committee to approve this request. Rick Muma seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Chuck gave an overview of the K-State request for approval to change the name of their Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training to the Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training and Rehabilitation Sciences. Chuck reminded the Committee this change is driven by accreditation needs. Howard Smith motioned for the Committee to approve this request. Carl Lejuez seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Chuck gave an overview of the K-State request for approval to create a new Department of Personal Financial Planning. This department will be in the College of Human Health and Sciences. Chuck noted they previously had this program housed in the School of Family Studies in Human Services within the College of Human Health and Sciences. Chuck stated this was not optimal for creating greater coherence and noted that turning a rapidly growing program into a department made sense to them. Rick Muma motioned for the Committee to approve this request. Jill Arensdorf seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Chuck gave an overview of the K-State request for approval to change the name of their Department of Interior Architecture and Product Design to the Department of Interior Architecture and Industrial Design. Chuck noted they are aligning the name of the department with the name of their new program that was recently approved. Howard Smith motioned for the Committee to approve this request. Carl Lejuez seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Council of Faculty Senate Presidents
Greg Schneider, ESU, presented an update. He stated they will meet later today and discuss the topics from their December breakfast with the Regents. Greg stated they are looking into ways universities will change over the next decade, specifically in reference to enrollment issues and the student population in Kansas. They will focus on future issues in higher education.

Other Matters
Michael Werle, KUMC, discussed moving forward with their Masters in Genetic Counseling. Michael stated they will be working with Children’s Mercy Hospital, and they found there is a need for people to counsel patients on genetics. There is currently a six month wait to be counseled for genetic diseases. Michael asked about the process of getting the new program proposals and associated deadlines. He was directed to Sam as his contact to assist him through the process.

Charles Taber provided an update that the Inter-Institutional Memorandum of Understanding of Clinical Affiliation Site Cooperation held a meeting. At this meeting Dr. Sandra Bibb, Dean of Wichita State University, was elected Chair. He noted they will start to have regular meetings scheduled by Sandra.

Karla Wiscombe discussed graduate degrees and certificates offered for Concurrent Enrollment Partnership (CEP) instructors to become credentialed as required by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). Karla sent an email out last week requesting institutions ensure their degree and certificate program information is accurate on the concurrent enrollment faculty qualifications KBOR webpage located at
This information will be shared with the Concurrent Enrollment Teacher Credentialing Work and Advisory Group formed by MHEC. David Cordle stated the 18-hour packages ESU created are well put together and good offerings; however, they have not had the number of enrolled students that they thought they would. He believes the cost is an issue because the teachers that benefit from these programs can’t generally afford the out of pocket expense of additional classes. Jill Arensdorf stated FHSU has similar issues, as well as issues with turnover from CEP instructors. Karla stated another issue to consider may be if the enrollment process is user friendly and asked if the teachers who just want the 18-hour package would have to do the same admissions process as they would for a Masters. The Committee looked at the KBOR webpage listed above and encouraged institutions to submit information to Erin or Amy to be updated. Karla noted that the more direct the links are the better for students when they search for options. Jill Arensdorf questioned if other concurrent enrollment subject areas should be added to this page. Karla responded that the areas listed are the most common where teachers were not qualified, and she noted she would provide that data in her next update.

Jill Arensdorf motioned for the Committee to recess until lunch. Rick Muma seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The Committee reconvened during lunch. No further business was discussed.

Adjournment
Jill Arensdorf motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rick Muma seconded the motion and the motion passed.