

**System Council of Chief Academic Officers
MINUTES**

Wednesday, November 18th, 2020

The November 18, 2020 meeting of the System Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Co-Chair Erin Shaw at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was initially scheduled to be held in Topeka. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it was held through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:	Shirley Lefever, WSU Charles Taber, K-State Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU Jill Arensdorf, FHSU	Erin Shaw, Highland CC David Cordle, ESU Howard Smith, PSU Jerry Pope, KCKCC	Corey Isbell, NCK Tech Lori Winningham, Butler CC Sarah Robb, Neosho County CC JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn
Staff:	Daniel Archer, KBOR Karla Wiscombe	Amy Robinson Tara Lebar	Sam Christy-Dangermond Cindy Farrier
Others:	Brian Niehoff, K-State Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Melinda Roelfs, PSU Robert Klein, KUMC Jean Redeker, KU Steve Loewen, FHTC Gergely Zaruba, WSU Jean Griffith, WSU Larisa Genin, WSU Stanton Gartin, SATC Ziqi Sun, WSU Dukka KC, WSU	Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Andrew Hippisley, K-State Mickey McCloud, JCCC Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC Monette Depew, Pratt CC Aleks Sternfeld-Dunn, WSU Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Chris Broberg, WSU Elaine Simmons, Barton CC G. Wilson, KU Kim Morse, Washburn Mindy Markham, K-State	Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC Jon Marshall, Allen CC Jason Sharp, Labette CC Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC Mark Allen, Independence CC Dennis Livesay, WSU Heather Morgan, KACCT Kaye Monk-Morgan, WSU Mythili Menon, WSU Sue Abdinnour, WSU

Co-Chair Erin Shaw welcomed everyone and briefly introduced herself as the new Co-Chair replacing Brad Bennett. Erin also introduced Sarah Robb, Neosho Community College, as the newest appointed member of SCOCAO and the Vice-Chair of Kansas Council of Instructional Administrators (KCIA).

Approval of Minutes

JuliAnn Mazachek moved to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2020 meeting, and Jill Arensdorf seconded the motion. A correction to the spelling of a name on page two was identified. With no further corrections, the motion passed.

Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) Update

- Linnea GlenMaye presented an update on the 2020 Kansas Core Outcomes Groups (KCOG) Conference held on October 16th and hosted by WSU. The conference is held every fall to bring 2-year and 4-year faculty together to develop common learning outcomes for specified transfer courses. There were around 380 faculty registered this year which reviewed 13 review courses and 6 new courses. The 6 new courses have been approved by TAAC and will be up for Board approval in January, and the review courses will be reviewed by TAAC at their next meeting. If approved by the Board, the following 6 new courses will be added to the current list of 100 systemwide transfer courses:
 1. Principles of Marketing
 2. Criminal Law

3. Children's Literature
4. Intermediate Algebra
5. Meteorology (will transfer as three separate courses)
6. Old Testament

WSU will host the 2021 conference and has begun planning this for a virtual format. A survey was sent out for feedback from the 2020 conference to analyze potential future changes. Karla Wiscombe thanked Linnea and her team at WSU for hosting the conference and doing a great job.

- Melinda Roelfs presented the 2020 TAAC Quality Assurance Report. This report was given at the 2020 KCOG Conference and can be found on the KBOR website at https://www.kansasregents.org/resources/PDF/Academic_Affairs/TAAC/2020_Quality_Assurance_Report_v4-2_FINAL.pdf. She provided an overview of TAAC, discussed their approach to quality assurance, highlighted work being done by faculty and the student impact, and shared outcomes for sequential courses, as provided in the report.

Melinda discussed the marketing and promotion of systemwide courses. She noted the KBOR website has a new Transfer Portal and would like everyone to help promote this site to students, parents, high schools, and academic advisors. The portal can be found at https://www.kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/transfer-articulation.

Other Matters

- Erin Shaw provided a Kansas Council of Instructional Administrators (KCIA) update. At their last meeting, she noted they approved bylaws and new officers, Erin Shaw as Chair, Sarah Robb as Vice-Chair, and Marc Malone as Secretary. Erin noted they have a vacant treasurer position. KCIA tabled the collection of dues and awarding of the KCIA scholarships until the February KCIA meeting, and discussed the current status of professional licensure disclosures for each college. They heard KBOR updates on Perkins/CTE, General Education Working Group, Systemwide Transfer, Performance Agreements, and the OER Working Group. The next KCIA meeting is anticipated for February 18th at 1:00 p.m. through Zoom.
- Daniel Archer provided an update on the General Education (GE) Working Group. He thanked everyone for completing the surveys and noted the surveys provide helpful information from all institutions for a system approach. Challenges were identified through the first survey and organized into three themes as outlined in the provided material. The group's next step will be to identify common threads at colleges and universities through a second survey that was recently emailed. The survey was built around the GE knowledge and skill areas identified by the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U). Daniel noted the group is still early in the process of creating a GE package.
- Tara Lebar provided an update from the Open Educational Resource (OER) Steering Committee. Tara stated that the Open Education Network (OEN) contract had been signed, and this membership is systemwide, which allows KBOR access to their open textbook library and professional development training. The membership resources are available for all KBOR institutions through OER Steering Committee members, who will also be putting together workshops and text review opportunities for faculty. Individual institutions can also become members at a discounted rate. Several institutions are already members and will benefit from the discounted rate next summer. The OER Steering Committee fall webinar series will conclude with the fourth webinar scheduled for December 2. Each webinar has had around 40 participants, and the committee feels as they have been successful. OER's focus during the upcoming months will be getting up to speed with OEN, training members, and working on ways to

expand the OER initiative to our KBOR institutions.

- Tara Lebar provided an Apply Kansas update, and her presentation was emailed out after the meeting. Apply Kansas college application month ran throughout October as a statewide high school event focusing on completing college applications. The program was launched five years ago by April Cozine with some financial contributions from KBOR. This is the first year KBOR is providing oversight for the program. Tara discussed program details, providing past and initial 2020 data. She noted in 2020, high school participation was up 50%; however, student participation was slightly down, probably due to the pandemic. One hundred fifty-four high schools across the state participated in 2020. Events were conducted in person, hybrid and virtually. She highlighted that KBOR institution partnerships provided valuable assistance to increase student participation. Many KBOR institutions provided give-away items, and this will be encouraged more in the future. Tara anticipates future increases in college, student, and high school participation. Tara will present a summary of 2020 data after the new year once it is complete.

Information on Apply Kansas, including resources for participation and a map of participating schools, can be found on the KBOR website at <https://www.kansasregents.org/students/apply-kansas>.

Adjournment

Sarah Robb moved to adjourn the meeting, and Corey Isbell seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.