

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
MINUTES**

Monday, November 29, 2021

The November 29, 2021 meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) was called to order by Regent Kiblinger at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Kiblinger Regent Winter	Regent Rolph	Regent Schmidt
Staff:	Daniel Archer Amy Robinson April Henry	Sam Christy-Dangermond Tara Lebar Lisa Beck	Karla Wiscombe Cindy Farrier
Others:	Heather Morgan, KACCT Brenda Koerner, ESU Chuck Taber, KSU Janet Stramel, FHSU Jean Redeker, KU JoLanna Kord, ESU Jess Fortner, Hutchinson CC Laurel Littrell, K-State Remy Lequesne, KU Shawnee Hendershot, PSU	Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Elaine Simmons, Barton CC Howard Smith, PSU Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC Jennifer Ball, Washburn Kim Morse, Washburn Monette DePew, Pratt CC Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC Robert Klein, KUMC Tanya Gonzalez, KU	Amber Knoettgen, Cloud County CC George Arasimowicz, ESU Jason Sharp, Labette CC Jennifer Roberts, KU Kim Zant, Cloud County CC Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Marlon Thornburg, Coffeyville CC Sharon Kibbe, Highland CC Tom Nevill, Butler CC

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

Regent Schmidt moved to approve the November 17, 2021 meeting minutes, and Regent Rolph seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

Consent Items

- Chuck Taber presented the K-State second reading for an MS in Aeronautics, offered by the College of Technology and Aviation on the Salina Campus. This program is responsive to industry requests, closely aligns with the K-State mission, and has strong demand. It focuses on serving the aerospace manufacturing sector, which is looking for new leadership and policy implementation skills.

Regent Rolph moved to place the MS in Aeronautics on the Board consent agenda for approval. Following the second of Regent Kiblinger, the motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Daniel Archer and Jennifer Roberts presented revisions to the Spoken English Language Policy. This policy addresses English speaking proficiency requirements for non-native-speaking faculty and teaching assistants at the six public institutions. Daniel provided a summary of the two substantive proposed changes to KBOR policy II.C.2.b.iii, which can be found on page 144 of the agenda. The first proposed set of changes adds specific English proficiency exams and details requisite scores for such exams. The second proposed set of changes aligns requirements for all appointment types of faculty and Graduate Teaching Assistants. KU would also like to align exclusions for sign language and foreign language instruction. Jennifer provided further details of the current differences in policy and the

reasons behind the request. Jennifer and Daniel addressed Regents' questions.

Regent Rolph moved to place revisions to the Spoken English Language Policy on the Board consent agenda for approval. Following the second of Regent Winter, the motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

Discussion Item

Karla Wiscombe presented new Systemwide Transfer (SWT) courses for approval. She thanked everyone involved in this year-long process. During the 2021 KCOG Conference, groups reviewed 13 current Systemwide Transfer (SWT) courses and generated outcomes for six new SWT courses. TAAC approved the updated outcomes for 13 review courses and recommended the following six new courses for inclusion in SWT:

1. BIO2040 - Microbiology and Lab
2. BUS2030 - Business Law
3. EDU2020 - Educating Exceptional Students
4. HSC2010 - Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries
5. POL2020 - State and Local Government
6. SOC2030 - Cultural Diversity and Ethnicity

These courses will be presented to the Board for approval in December. In January, the Chief Academic Officers (CAOs) will be asked to certify their course information in Course Inventory. Karla provided a background summary, details of the KBOR policy, and TAAC membership, as provided starting on page 20 of the agenda. With the six new courses, the total number of SWT courses will be 114. Karla answered clarifying questions from the Regents.

Regent Winter moved to place New Systemwide Transfer Courses on the Board discussion agenda for approval. Following the second of Regent Rolph, the motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

Adjournment

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

Regent Rolph moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Schmidt seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.