

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
MINUTES**

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

The December 15, 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 11:00 a.m. The meeting was held in person and through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Kiblinger Regent Winter	Regent Rolph	Regent Schmidt
Staff:	Daniel Archer Amy Robinson Marti Leisinger	Sam Christy-Dangermond Tara Lebar Travis White	Karla Wiscombe Lisa Beck April Henry
Others:	Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC George Arasimowicz, ESU Jason Sharp, Labette CC Kay Monk-Morgan, WSU Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Lucy Steyer, ESU Meaghan Higgins, KSCAC Robert Klein, KUMC Tom Nevill, Butler CC	Brenda Koerner, ESU Elaine Simmons, Barton CC Howard Smith, PSU Jean Redeker, KU Kim Morse, Washburn Laura Loyacono, KSCAC Luke Dowell, SCCC Monette DePew, Pratt CC Tanya Gonzalez, KSU Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC	Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU Gary Wyatt, ESU Janet Stramel, FHSU Jennifer Roberts, KU JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn Kim Zant, Cloud County CC Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC Remy Lequesne, KU Taylor Crawshaw, Independence CC

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

Regent Rolph moved to approve the November 29, 2021 meeting minutes, and Regent Schmidt seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

Other Matters

Regent Schmidt moved to switch items A and B under Other Matters, and Regent Rolph seconded. The motion passed.

- Sam Christy Dangermond presented the Annual Report on Exceptions to the Minimum Admission Standards at State Universities. K.S.A. 76-717 requires the Kansas Board of Regents to report on the number and percentage of students admitted to state universities who did not meet minimum requirements but were accepted by exception. This report includes freshman and transfer students admitted for Academic Year 2021. Sam reviewed the requirements for both groups of students and noted this is the last year these requirements will be utilized due to changes in Qualified Admissions. She summarized the data, which starts on page 7 of the agenda.

In summary, the only category in which a university exceeded the maximum number of allowable exceptions was the non-resident freshman category. However, with the Qualified Admissions requirements changing, effective for the 2021-2022 AY and beyond, staff do not anticipate issues with the number of exceptions for subsequent years. The report will be sent to the Legislature in January to meet the reporting

requirements set forth in K.S.A. 76-717.

- Tara Lebar, Meaghan Higgins, and Laura Loyacono presented an overview of the Kansas State College Advising Corps (KSCAC). KSCAC is one of more than 30 chapters in the U.S. working to increase the number of low-income, first-generation, and underrepresented high school students who enter and complete higher education.

The KSCAC hires recent college graduates to serve as full-time college advisors in high schools. These advisors:

- Provide guidance, advisement, and group or individualized support with college and career planning
- Conduct application & financial aid workshops, facilitate campus tours and connect families with resources
- Walk students through financial aid, scholarship opportunities, and FAFSA application
- Help students find a “best-fit” post-secondary opportunity to increase the likelihood of persistence and completion rates
- Create and foster a college-going culture that engages, encourages, and supports college attendance and completion

Information can be found at <https://linktr.ee/kscac>. It should be noted that while this chapter is housed at the K-State campus, KSCAC advisors do not recruit for KSU. Their efforts are student focused, helping to find a “best fit” post-secondary plan which could include university, community college, technical college, military or employment. It will require participation from all KBOR institutions for statewide expansion of the program. Additional questions can be directed to Tara Lebar, tlebar@ksbor.org.

- Regent Kiblinger provided an Advantage KS Coordinating Council (AKCC) update. The Council has submitted a budget request with the Governor. Their plan is complete, and documents can be obtained by contacting Regent Kiblinger.
- Regent Schmidt provided a Direct Support Professionals (DSP) update. He noted \$500,000 was granted for DSP apprenticeship initiatives. He is also hearing news of a \$50 million fund to increase DSP pay. Regent Schmidt will provide more information at a later meeting.

Adjournment

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled virtually for January 4, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Regent Rolph moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Winter seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.