

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
MINUTES**

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

The March 16, 2022, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Kiblinger at 11:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Board office, with a virtual option through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Kiblinger Regent Rolph	Regent Winter	Regent Schmidt
Staff:	Daniel Archer Tara Lebar Lisa Beck	Amy Robinson Karla Wiscombe Judd McCormack	Crystal Puderbaugh Natalie Yoza
Others:	Brenda Koerner, ESU Howard Smith, PSU Jean Redeker, KU JoLanna Kord, ESU Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Mike Werle, KUMC Tanya Gonzalez, K-State	Chuck Taber, K-State Hui Cai, KU Jennifer Roberts, KU Kim Krull, Butler CC Luke Dowell, SCCC Shirley Lefever, WSU Tom Nevill, Butler CC	Gary Wyatt, ESU Janet Stramel, FHSU Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Kim Morse, Washburn Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC Steve Loewen, FHTC Jen Murray, Captioner

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

Regent Rolph moved to approve March 1, 2022, meeting minutes, and Regent Schmidt seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

Consent Items

- Jennifer Roberts and Hui Cai presented the KU request for permission to require more than 120 hours in a BA in Architectural Studies. Currently, KU offers a Master in Architecture, a freshman entry program that requires five years of course work before students can sit for their licensure exam. These students do not receive an undergraduate degree. Granting KU's request to award the BA in Architectural Studies would allow students who leave the Master's program after their fourth year to earn a credential. The BA in Architectural Studies is 136 credit hours, consists of the first four years of the master's program, and only would be awarded to students enrolled in the Master of Architecture program. Regent Kiblinger noted this request will not go on the Board agenda, and the vote will serve as the final approval process.

Regent Rolph moved to approve the KU request for permission to require more than 120 hours in its BA in Architectural Studies. Following the second of Regent Winter, the motion passed unanimously.

- Mike Werle and LaVerne Manos presented the KUMC request to seek accreditation for a Graduate Certificate in Health Informatics (HI). The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM) is the accrediting organization for degree-granting programs in health informatics and health information management. CAHIIM is beginning to accredit certificate programs and would like the Graduate Certificate in Health Informatics at KUMC to serve as a pilot program. KUMC is beginning to work on standards for the HI certificate, and collaborating with

CAHIIM will be essential for standardization support. The Graduate Certificate in Health Informatics takes 12-18 months. Accreditation of this certificate will provide students and employers assurance the program meets certain standards.

Regent Rolph moved to place the KUMC request to seek accreditation for a Graduate Certificate in Health Informatics as presented under the Board consent agenda for approval. Following the second of Regent Schmidt, the motion passed unanimously.

- Crystal Puderbaugh presented the request for a new certificate of approval for degree-granting authority for Visible Music College. They were established in Memphis and founded in 2000, but also have campus locations in Chicago, Dallas, and Germany. The new campus will be located in Olathe, Kansas, and will offer certificate, bachelor, and master level programs in an online and blended format. The college's focus areas include dance, music, business, music production, worship, modern music, and leadership. They are accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS).

Regent Winter moved to place the request for a new certificate of approval for degree-granting authority for Visible Music College under the Board consent agenda for approval. Following the second of Regent Rolph, the motion passed unanimously.

Other Matters

- Crystal Puderbaugh presented an update on National American University's (NAU) conditional certificate of approval. NAU was notified of the Board's action to condition their certificate of approval in November 2021, and they provided the requested information shortly after. This included a financial improvement plan, listing of students, additional bonding, and its teach-out agreement. NAU has 29 students currently enrolled in Kansas. Crystal will continue monitoring NAU financially and checking in with them at each new academic term. If NAU meets the minimum requirements on its next renewal application, KBOR will remove the conditional certificate. Regent Kiblinger would like to receive updates while NAU is under a conditional certificate.
- Regent Kiblinger provided an update from the Advantage KS Coordinating Council (AKCC). The council has not met recently. The Governor's budget recommendation to fund a director position within the Kansas Department of Commerce is still in the works. The council is waiting for a final decision to guide their subsequent actions.

Adjournment

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Regent Winter moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Schmidt seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.