

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

The October 18, 2023, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Lane at 3:00 p.m. The meeting was held in person at the University of Kansas with a virtual option through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Lane Regent Mendoza	Regent Ice	Regent Johnston
Staff:	Daniel Archer Tara Lebar Kelly Oliver Gage Rohlf Mistie Knox	Sam Christy-Dangermond Blake Flanders Charmine Chambers John Yeary	Karla Wiscombe Amy Robinson Cindy Farrier Marti Leisinger
Others:	Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU Howard Smith, PSU Ashlie Jack, WSU Gurbhushan Singh, JCCC JoLanna Kord, ESU Linnea GlenMaye, WSU	Brent Thomas, ESU Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Bekah Selby, ESU Elodie Jones, FHSU Jolynn Dowling, WSU Melinda Roelfs, PSU	Chuck Taber, K-State Shirley Lefever, WSU Beth O’Neill, Washburn Brandon Galm, Cloud County CC Jean Redeker, KU Rachel Bates, Cowley CC

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

Regent Ice moved to approve the October 3, 2023, meeting minutes, and Regent Johnston seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

Other Matters

BAASC met to discuss the university Program Review process and allow Provosts to respond to programs identified through preliminary analysis as not meeting two or more metrics. Provosts were asked to describe the programs, identify patterns, discuss initial processes to engage stakeholders, and share important considerations that the Board may need to understand. Regent Lane discussed the Board's Strategic Plan, [Building a Future](#), which is the foundation for the Board's work. It contains three pillars that focus on helping families, supporting businesses, and advancing economic prosperity, and Program Review touches on all three pillars. Identified programs are being examined to ensure they are in demand, result in degree completion, retain Kansas talent, and are a sound investment for students. Institutions will review each program and will recommend each to either phase out, merge with another program, or be placed on an action plan to review and monitor for no longer than three years. Provosts will provide written recommendations to BAASC by March 21, 2024. The following is the number of identified programs at each institution: ESU has two, FHSU has four, K-State has two, KU has 11, PSU has six, and WSU has five. If Provosts have any concerns about the timeline, they are asked to contact Regent Lane. Regents noted this is a collaborative effort and applauded the universities for meeting or exceeding metrics in 90% of their programs.

Regent Ice moved to codify the list of programs for review and have institutions report back to BAASC with an

action plan. With a second from Regent Johnston, the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Regent Ice moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Mendoza seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.