

**Council of Chief Academic Officers
MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

The June 15, 2022, Council of Chief Academic Officers (COCAO) meeting was called to order by Chair Jill Arensdorf at 8:44 a.m. The meeting was held through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:	Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Chuck Taber, K-State Gary Wyatt, ESU	Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU Howard Smith, PSU Shirley Lefever, WSU	Robert Klein, KUMC Laura Stephenson, Washburn Daniel Archer, KBOR
Staff:	Amy Robinson Sam Christy-Dangermond Marti Leisinger	Karla Wiscombe Cindy Farrier Tara Lebar	April Henry Lisa Beck
Others:	Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Chris Broberg, WSU Don Saucier, K-State Jason Sharp, Labette CC Jen-Chi Cheng, WSU JoLanna Kord, ESU Lisa Blair, NWKTC Mary Tolar, K-State Ryan Ruda, Garden City CC Shelly Gehrke, ESU Tanya Gonzalez, K-State Tom Nevill, Butler CC Corey Isbell, NCK Tech Andrew Hippisley, WSU	Alysia Johnston, Fort Scott CC Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC Elaine Simmons, Barton CC Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC Jennifer Ball, Washburn Kim Zant, Cloud County CC Luke Dowell, Seward CC Mindy Markham, K-State Sharon Kibbe, Highland CC Siyu Wang, WSU Tiffany Evans, Colby CC Mickey McCloud, JCCC Tiffany Bohm, KCKCC Brien Bolin, WSU	Cathy Blasi, Pratt CC Don Kurtz, K-State Heather Morgan, KACCT Jean Redeker, KU Jennifer Roberts, KU Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Marc Malone, Garden City CC Robert Klein, KUMC Shawn Keough, ESU Stuart Day, KU Taylor Crawshaw, Independence CC Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC Wilson Baldrige, WSU

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

Howard Smith moved to approve May 18, 2022, meeting minutes, and Chuck Taber seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

1st Readings

- Chuck Taber and Don Kurtz presented the first reading for a BA/BS in Criminology at K-State. K-State has a specialization within the major of Sociology; creating a stand-alone bachelor's degree will attract more students in this growing field. Questions were presented on duplication and how the system can work together through internships and online shared coursework.
- Shirley Lefever, Andrew Hippisley, and Wilson Baldrige presented the first reading for a BA in American Sign Language (ASL) at WSU. The degree will be housed in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures. It was noted there is increased demand for learning ASL and for interpreters across the state. WSU has been invited to join the state ASL Taskforce and is looking at creating an advisory board for the degree.

These programs will be up for a second reading and vote at the next COCAO meeting.

Other Requests

- Shirley Lefever presented a request for approval to change the name of MA in Applied Economics to MA in Economics & Quantitative Analysis at WSU.

Howard Smith moved to approve, and Chuck Taber seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Chuck Taber presented a request for approval to change the name of MS in Family Studies & Human Services to MS in Human Development & Family Science at K-State. The name change will better reflect the content of the program.

Barbara Bichelmeyer moved to approve, and Howard Smith seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Chuck Taber presented a request for approval to change the name of Mary Lynn & Warren Staley School of Leadership Studies to Mary Lynn & Warren Staley School of Leadership at K-State. The school recently added several programs and expanded its scope, and the name change reflects these changes.

Gary Wyatt moved to approve, and Barbara Bichelmeyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Barbara Bichelmeyer presented a request for approval to change the name of the DSW from Advanced Social Work Practice to Social Work at KU. The request aligns the degree and degree title and ensures clarity in KU's School of Social Welfare. It was clarified the DSW is the Doctor of Social Work.

Howard Smith moved to approve, and Shirley Lefever seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Barbara Bichelmeyer and Stuart Day presented requests for approval for a Minor in Environmental Health and a Minor in Clinical Trials Management at KU. These will be offered through the KU Edwards Campus in partnership with KUMC and will help fulfill workforce needs.

Chuck Taber moved to approve the Minor in Environmental Health at KU, and Shirley Lefever seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

Howard Smith moved to approve the Minor in Clinical Trials Management at KU, and Chuck Taber seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

These requests will go to President Flanders for final approval.

Council of Faculty Senate Presidents (CoFSP) Update

CoFSP will meet later in the day, and the new chair will present at the next COCAO meeting.

Adjournment

The next COCAO meeting is scheduled tentatively for September 14, 2022. The meeting schedule and format are determined by the incoming Chair, Barbara Bichelmeyer, and will be presented to the council at the September meeting.

Shirley Lefever moved to adjourn the meeting, and Barbara Bichelmeyer seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.