Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee MINUTES

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

The December 13, 2023, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Lane at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was held in person at the Board office with a virtual option through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members: Regent Lane Regent Mendoza Regent Johnston

Regent Ice

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

Regent Ice moved to approve the November 28, 2023, meeting minutes, and Regent Johnston seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

AY 2022 Performance Report & Consider Case for Higher Level Funding

Sharon Kibbe provided follow-up information on Highland Community College's performance report and their case for a higher level of funding.

Regent Mendoza moved to approve Highland Community College at the 100% funding level as presented to the Board consent agenda for final approval; Regent Johnston seconded the motion. The motion carried.

National Institute for Student Success (NISS) Playbook Presentations

ESU, FHSU, and KSU presented updates on their data and action plans for the supportive metrics of the dashboard.

Receive Qualified Admissions Report

Sam Christy-Dangermond presented the annual Qualified Admissions report. K.S.A. 76-717, establishing minimum admission standards for state universities, became effective in 2001. The statute requires the Board to submit to the Legislature information on undergraduate students annually admitted to state universities who are admitted by exception. This report is informational to BAASC before being submitted to the Legislature.

Academic Affairs Update

Karla Wiscombe discussed staffing changes and welcomed Mistie Knox, who has joined the Academic Affairs unit as Associate Director. An update was provided on Math Pathways, exceptions to the Systemwide General Education Framework, Reverse Transfer, and Performance Agreements. The first performance reports are due July 1, concentrating on planning for the upcoming year and linking to the academic degree maps. Regent Lane requested a deeper dive into the new performance agreements.

Good News on Campus (3 minutes)

Each university discussed the many traditions, concerts, and events involving the communities at this time of year.

Adjournment

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled virtually for January 2, 2024.

Regent Mendoza moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Johnston seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:38 p.m.