

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 14, 2024

The February 14, 2024, 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 virtually through Zoom, with an in-person option at the Board Office.

In Attendance:

Members: Regent Lane Regent Mendoza Regent Ice
 Regent Johnston

Approval of Minutes

Regent Ice moved to approve the January 30, 2024, meeting minutes, and Regent Mendoza seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Other Matters

Sam Christy-Dangermond presented the Academic Review Framework. The requirements for the program review reports were provided. Universities should focus on item E. iii., reviewing the identified programs and issuing a recommendation, either phase out, merge, or action plan. A sample template for analysis data for each program, recommendation, and details was provided. Reports are due from the universities by 4/19, and BAASC will review the reports in subsequent meetings, with the goal of sending them to the Board at their 6/18 meeting. Regent Lane reiterated that the original March deadline was changed to April 19, and invited questions.

Sam Christy-Dangermond led the discussion regarding the AY 2024 - AY 2026 Performance Agreements. Sam provided a sample Performance Agreement and report template. The reporting requirements for the institutions for this year are due July 1. Regent Lane had asked Sam to share information on the funding tiers, and Regent Johnston asked about the determination of awarded points in each of the five focus areas for performance funding. A board-approved funding tier handout was provided and explained. Sam stated that a revised funding guidelines document to reflect the new funding model will soon be available for committee review. Concerns were expressed about degree maps, general education exceptions, math pathways, timelines, and the interdependencies. Regent Johnston suggested that the reporting timeline is separate from the implementation, and Regent Mendoza suggested some flexibility to the five focus areas for performance funding. Following discussion, Regent Lane asked for a workgroup to make recommendations to the Committee, which will include a Provost appointee, Regent Lane, Regent Mendoza, Sam and Karla Wiscombe.

Karla Wiscombe shared an update on program-to-program articulation. The focus is on four programs: Business and Administration, Nursing, Social Work and Computer and Information Sciences. Programs chosen were based on the numbers of students transferring into the universities in these areas and the needs of the Kansas economy. Karla hopes to have names for work groups by Friday. The role of community colleges will be deciding appropriate names for the degrees, determining if the associate degrees are A.A, A.S. or both, and making sure the associate degrees are no more than 60 hours. The role of the universities is to determine 60 hours that all will apply toward their baccalaureate programs and only require an additional 60 hours at the universities. The deadline for a document from the groups is May 24th to bring to BAASC and then to the Board.

Karla Wiscombe provided an Academic Affairs update on Systemwide Gen Ed Exceptions, which need to be posted on the university websites and a link on the KBOR website to the university websites. She reported that KBOR restructured the administrative support group, and additional staff will assist Academic Affairs.

Regent Lane invited good news on campus reports and heard from the provosts.

Adjournment

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled March 5, 2024.

Regent Johnston moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Mendoza seconded. The meeting was adjourned.