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FORESIGHT 2020

A Strategic Agenda for the State's Public Higher Education System

1. Increase higher education attainment among Kansas citizens
2. Improve alignment of the state's higher education system with the needs of the economy
3. Ensure state university excellence

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A 10-Year Strategic Agenda for the State's Public Higher Education System



Foresight 2020 is a 10-year strategic agenda for the state's public higher education system. Originally adopted by the Kansas Board of Regents in 2010, updated in 2012, and modified in 2015, the plan sets long-range achievement goals that are measurable, reportable, and ensure the state's higher education system meets Kansans' expectations. Find each year's progress report at: kansasregents.org/foresight_2020.

INCREASE HIGHER EDUCATION ATTAINMENT

Aspirations

- ★ Increase to 60 percent the number of Kansas adults who have earned a certificate, associate or bachelor's degree by 2020.
- ★ Achieve a ten percentage point increase in retention and graduation rates by 2020.

Measures

- ★ Number of certificates and degrees awarded by universities, community and technical colleges
- ★ Attainment Model progress
- ★ Graduation rates: 4/5/6-year rates for universities and 2/3/4-year rates for community and technical colleges
- ★ First to second year retention rates at universities, community and technical colleges
- ★ Student Success Index rates
- ★ Comparison of state demographics with higher education participation levels, including race/ethnicity, Pell Grant eligibility, and age
- ★ Comparison of postsecondary attainment in Kansas to the nation, by age groups
- ★ Adult Education: participation, percent served among working-age adults in Kansas without a high school diploma or its equivalent, and percent transitioning to postsecondary within 3 years of enrollment
- ★ Number of adults with college credit but no certificate or degree who are returning to complete a certificate, associate/bachelor degree
- ★ Seamless Transition: total number of courses approved for guaranteed transfer and number of Reverse Transfer degrees awarded systemwide

IMPROVE ECONOMIC ALIGNMENT

Aspirations

- ★ Respond to business and industry expectations for graduates and ensure all technical programs meet expectations of quality.
- ★ Reduce workforce shortages in select high-demand fields by increasing the number of certificates and degrees awarded, including in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields.

Measures

- ★ Percent of graduates employed and average wages in Kansas, by award level
- ★ Number of certificates and degrees awarded in selected high-demand fields, and progress made on special state initiatives
- ★ Summary findings from latest K-TIP Report, providing systemwide analysis of all approved postsecondary CTE programs, by program
- ★ Percent of certificates/degrees awarded in STEM fields
- ★ Student performance on assessments tracking industry-requested "Foundational Skills" –
 1. Mathematics/Analytical Reasoning
 2. Written and Oral Communication
 3. Critical Thinking/Problem Solving

ENSURE STATE UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE

Aspiration

- ★ Improve regional and national reputations of state universities.

Measures

- ★ Comparison to peers for each of the six state universities on established metrics
- ★ Private giving to universities
- ★ Total research dollars awarded, highlighting federal research dollars (as percent of total) and specific industry support secured
- ★ University Excellence Profile: select rankings, Composite Financial Index, and assessment of economic impact

BOARD GOALS 2016-2017

Approved by the Kansas Board of Regents



ATTAINMENT

- The Board will receive a proposal to attract Kansans with some college credit, but no degree, back to higher education to complete a credential, as well as the projected costs to implement the proposal.
- The Board will review its policy on credit hour requirements for baccalaureate degrees to determine if the policy meets best practices for promoting on-time completion.
- The Board will conduct a cost-benefit analysis of developing a common online application for state universities.

ALIGNMENT

- The Board will further the implementation of Credit for Prior Learning in Kansas by aligning with additional branches of the military with a focus on healthcare bridge programs.
- The Board will pilot an internship program with the Department of Commerce to better engage Kansas employers seeking qualified employees.

EXCELLENCE

- The Board will appoint a working group composed of state university representatives to examine ways to enhance innovation and gain greater administrative efficiency at the universities.
- The Board will receive a briefing on the state universities' fee structures and evaluate whether a different configuration should be considered.

OTHER

- The Board will continue preparing for campus concealed carry through the Governance Committee's review and approval of the university policies that implement Board policy and state law.
- The Board will receive from the Council of Presidents an update on the progress of the Title IX workgroup created by the Board at its May 2016 meeting.

BOARD ACADEMIC AFFAIRS STANDING COMMITTEE
FY 2017 AGENDA TOPICS

- BAASC 17-01 Review and Approve AY 2017-2019 Performance Agreements – **Completed**
- BAASC 17-02 Review and Approve AY 2015 Performance Reports
- BAASC 17-03 Review and Approve Academic Calendars for AY 2020-2022
- BAASC 17-04 Receive Adult Education Report
- BAASC 17-05 Receive Accreditation Report
- BAASC 17-06 Receive Concurrent Enrollment Report
- BAASC 17-07 Receive Program Review Report
- BAASC 17-08 Receive Transfer and Articulation Council Report
- BAASC 17-09 Receive Update on School of Dentistry Proposal – **Completed**
- BAASC 17-10 Receive Report on Program Articulation Agreements between Community/Technical Colleges and Universities

FISCAL AFFAIRS AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE
FY 2017 AGENDA TOPICS

- FAA 17-01 Review and Adopt Committee Organization, Agenda, and Work Plan – **Completed**
- FAA 17-02 Finalize Higher Education Unified Appropriations Request for 2017 Legislative Session – **Completed**
- FAA 17-03 Staff Overview of FY 2017 KBOR Office Operating Budget – **Completed**
- FAA 17-04 Staff Overview of the Board’s Tuition Setting Process and Discuss Expectations – **Completed**
- FAA 17-05 Staff Overview of Board’s Capital Budgeting Process – **Completed**
- FAA 17-06 Receive Accountability Report on Major State Investments
- FAA 17-07 Receive Internal Audit Plans and Meet with State University Internal Auditors
- FAA 17-08 Review State Universities’ Annual Financial Reports, including Composite Financial Index and Current Year Spending to Budget
- FAA 17-09 Receive Debt Capacity Plans for Each of the State Universities and Assessment from KDFFA of Universities’ Indebtedness
- FAA 17-10 Review and Approve Capital Improvement Requests and Five-year Capital Improvement Plans

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
FY 2017 AGENDA TOPICS

- GOV 17-01 Review Committee Charter and adopt agenda/schedule for the year – **Completed**
- GOV 17-02 Review Board Member COI disclosures and make recommendations to address any actual or perceived conflicts – **Completed**
- GOV 17-03 Consider full-Board discussion topics for the year – **Completed**
- GOV 17-04 Review and approve campus proposed concealed carry policies – **Completed**
- GOV 17-05 Receive university annual campus security reports
- GOV 17-06 Review CEO assessment process and track 360 survey progress
- GOV 17-07 Follow progress of newly created Title IX workgroup
- GOV 17-08 Receive update on WATC/WSU merger proposal
- GOV 17-09 Review proposed revisions to policies as they arise
- GOV 17-10 Review proposed regulation amendments as they arise
- GOV 17-11 Review new board member orientation process
- GOV 17-12 Recommend CEO monetary compensation for FY18

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MEETING INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE

Unless noted, all meetings take place at the Curtis State Office Building (CSOB) at 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, Kansas, 66612 in the meeting room indicated. Addresses for offsite meetings can be obtained by contacting the Kansas Board of Regents office at 785-430-4240.

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

Time	Committee/Activity	Location
9:15 am - 10:00 am	Council of Chief Academic Officers	Kathy Rupp Room
8:45 am - 10:00 am	Governance Committee	Suite 530
10:00 am - Noon	Council of Faculty Senate Presidents	Kan-Ed Conference Room
10:00 am - Noon	Students' Advisory Committee	Conference Room C
10:15 am - 11:50 am	Fiscal Affairs & Audit Standing Committee	Board Room
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Academic Affairs Standing Committee	Kathy Rupp Room
11:00 am - Noon	Council of Presidents	Suite 530
Noon - 1:15 pm	Lunch <i>Board of Regents & President Flanders</i>	Conference Room B
Noon - 1:15 pm	Lunch <i>Council of Chief Academic Officers</i>	Kathy Rupp Room
1:30 pm	Board of Regents Meeting	Board Room
6:00 pm	Dinner <i>Board of Regents, President Flanders, State University CEOs, Foundation & Alumni Chairs</i>	Governor's Row House

Thursday, January 19, 2017

Time	Committee/Activity	Location
7:30 am	Breakfast <i>Board of Regents, President Flanders, State University CEOs, and Government Relations Officers</i>	2 nd Floor North Wing Statehouse

MEETING AGENDA

The Kansas Board of Regents will meet in the Board Room located in the Curtis State Office Building at 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, Kansas, 66612.

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

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| I. Call To Order | Regent Newton, Chair | |
| A. <i>Approve Minutes</i> | | |
| December 14, 2016 Meeting | | p. 5 |
| II. Introductions and Reports | | |
| A. <i>Introductions</i> | | |
| B. <i>Report from the Chair</i> | Regent Newton, Chair | |
| C. <i>Report from the President & CEO</i> | Blake Flanders, President & CEO | |
| D. <i>Report from Council of Presidents</i> | Chancellor Gray-Little | |
| E. <i>Report from Council of Faculty Senate Presidents</i> | Pam Keller | |
| F. <i>Report from Students' Advisory Committee</i> | Stephonn Alcorn | |
| G. <i>Report from Unclassified Staff Council</i> | Elizabeth Phillips | |
| H. <i>Report from University Support Staff Council</i> | Chris Wallace | |
| III. Standing Committee Reports | | |
| A. <i>Academic Affairs</i> | Regent Newton | |
| B. <i>Fiscal Affairs & Audit</i> | Regent Bain | |
| C. <i>Governance</i> | Regent Feuerborn | |
| IV. Approval of Consent Agenda | | |
| A. <i>Academic Affairs</i> | | |
| 1. Act on Request for Approval of Programs for Cloud County Community College and Kansas City Kansas Community College | Scott Smathers,
VP, Workforce Development | p. 17 |
| 2. Act on Request for Approval of Courses for Systemwide Transfer | Jean Redeker,
VP, Academic Affairs | p. 22 |
| B. <i>Fiscal Affairs & Audit</i> | | |
| 1. Authorize Razing of Buildings 440 (Barn) and 441 (Shed) – KSU | Nelda Henning,
Director of Facilities | p. 23 |
| 2. Amend FY 2017 Capital Improvement Plan to Add Agronomy Education Center – KSU | | p. 23 |
| 3. Act on Request for Approval of the Kansas Board of Regents Nursing Faculty and Supplies Grant Program | Connie Beene,
Sr. Director, Adult & Career
Technical Education | p. 24 |

- 4. Act on Proposed Amendments to Memorandum of Agreement with Pittsburg State University and the PSU Chapter of the Kansas National Education Association (KNEA) Theresa Schwartz, Associate General Counsel p. 25

C. *Retirement Plan*

- 1. Appoint Member to Retirement Plan Committee Madi Vannaman, Staff Affiliate p. 27

D. *Other Matters*

- 1. Act on Recommended Kansas Board of Regents Student Health Insurance Benefit and Premium Rates for Plan Year 2017-2018 Madi Vannaman, Staff Affiliate p. 29

V. **Consideration of Discussion Agenda**

A. *Presentation*

- 1. Receive Annual *Foresight 2020* Progress Report Blake Flanders, President and CEO p. 31

B. *Fiscal Affairs & Audit*

- 1. Approve Distribution of State Funds for Technical Education (SB 155 and AO-K Proviso) and Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentive Fund (GED Accelerator) Regent Bain Elaine Frisbie, VP, Finance & Administration p. 32
- 2. Receive Report on Inventory of Physical Facilities and Space Utilization Nelda Henning, Director of Facilities p. 35
- 3. Receive Report on State University Deferred and Annual Maintenance p. 35
- 4. Adopt Resolution Approving the Issuance by the Kansas Development Finance Authority of Energy Conservation Revenue Bonds and Approve the Execution of Various Other Documents in Connection Therewith – KSU Julene Miller, General Counsel p. 36

C. *Governance*

- 1. Act on Proposed Amendments to the Board Weapons Possession Policy Regent Feuerborn Julene Miller, General Counsel p. 40

D. *Other Matters*

- 1. Receive Update on the Kansas Independent Colleges Matt Lindsey, President, KS Independent College Association p. 45
- 2. Receive Update on Engineering Initiative Scott Smathers, VP, Workforce Development p. 45

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| 3. Act on Request to Approve Granting of Honorary Degree at the University's Spring 2017 Commencement – KU | Chancellor Gray-Little | <i>p. 46</i> |
| 4. Act on Request to Approve Granting of Honorary Degree at the University's Spring 2017 Commencement – KSU | President Myers | <i>p. 46</i> |
| 5. Act on Naming of Building – ESU | Jennifer Denton,
ESU Associate VP for
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VI. Adjournment

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

I. Call To Order

Regent Newton, Chair

A. Approve Minutes

KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS MINUTES December 14, 2016

The December 14, 2016, meeting of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Chair Zoe Newton at 1:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Board Office located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka. Proper notice was given according to law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zoe Newton, Chair
 Dave Murfin, Vice Chair
 Joe Bain
 Shane Bangerter
 Bill Feuerborn
 Dennis Mullin
 Daniel Thomas
 Helen Van Etten

MEMBER ABSENT: Ann Brandau-Murguia

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regent Thomas moved that the minutes of the October 19-20, 2016 regular meeting, November 14, 2016 special meeting, November 15, 2016 special meeting, and November 16, 2016 regular meeting be approved. Following the second of Regent Van Etten, the motion carried.

INTRODUCTIONS

President Bardo announced that Mary Herrin, Wichita State University's Vice President of Administration and Finance, is retiring and thanked her for her many years of service. Provost April Mason introduced Kansas State University's Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Tammy Beckham; Vice President for Research, Dr. Peter Dorhout; and Dean of the College of Business Administration, Dr. Kevin Gwinner. Chancellor Gray-Little introduced Shegufta Huma, a senior at the University of Kansas who has received a Rhodes Scholarship. The Rhodes Scholarship provides all expenses for two or three years of study at the University of Oxford in England and is awarded to only 32 American students. President Garrett stated that during the Board's campus visit at Emporia State University, the Regents watched a glass blowing demonstration. During that demonstration a glass vase was produced, and President Garrett presented that vase to the Board for display in the Board office. Additionally, President Garrett announced that Emporia State University's Vice President of Administration and Finance, Werner Golling, will take the position of Vice President of Administration and Finance at Wichita State University in January and that Diana Kuhlman will be acting Vice President at Emporia.

GENERAL REPORTS

REPORT FROM CHAIR

Chair Newton thanked everyone for all the work that went into developing the Board weapons policy and the universities' weapons policies. She reported that she attended the Sunflower Showdown that was held in Manhattan this year. She also noted this is finals week for students and thanked the students who attended today's meeting.

REPORT FROM PRESIDENT AND CEO

President Flanders thanked everyone who is working on the military alignment initiative. Work is being done to evaluate and determine if higher education credit can be awarded for specific military training.

REPORT FROM SYSTEM COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS

President Krull presented the System Council of Presidents' report. The Council received an update from the System Council of Chief Academic Officers on the new transfer and articulation courses that will be presented to the Board for approval, progress on credit for prior learning, and progress being made by the performance agreement working group. The Council received information from Pat George, CEO of Valley Hope, on the services that Valley Hope offers to people who are dealing with addictions. Additionally, the Council discussed the *Foresight 2020* attainment goals.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS

The Council of Presidents report was presented by Chancellor Gray-Little. The Council received a report from the Council of Chief Academic Officers regarding new programs, proposed amendments to the Board's Annual and Multiple Year Appointments policy, and improving access for students. The Council of Business Officers provided an update on the status of the J1 Visa insurance issue and the progress being made on the Board's efficiency and fee structure goals. The Council of Government Relations Officers reminded the CEOs that Higher Education Day at the Statehouse is scheduled for January 19, 2017. The Council of Student Affairs Officers reported with winter break approaching they are monitoring the number of cases of mumps reported in nearby states. The University Support Staff Council reported that they are working on drafting a mission statement for their council. The Council of Presidents also began discussing non-resident tuition policies and strategies and will continue that discussion at next month's meeting. Chancellor Gray-Little announced that President Garrett was nominated by the Council to serve on the Board Retirement Plan Committee. This nomination will be forwarded to the Board for final action.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL OF FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENTS

Pam Keller presented the report for the Council of Faculty Senate Presidents. The Council discussed the university concealed carry policies and the possibility of conducting a climate survey after the policies go into effect. The faculty are interested in collecting data to determine what impact concealed carry on campus may have over time. Additionally, the Council continued its discussion of creating a sabbatical position in the Board office.

REPORT FROM STUDENTS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Stephonn Alcorn presented the Students' Advisory Committee report. The Committee discussed campus climate. Mr. Alcorn reported several student senates are considering passing resolutions in support of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) immigration policy. Additionally, the Committee continued to discuss how student body presidents can be more involved with the Board committees. Mr. Alcorn stated the Committee plans to present a proposal regarding student involvement to the Board at the February meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Regent Van Etten presented the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee report. The Committee received an update on the transition to college algebra pilot program. This program is offered to high school seniors to help improve their math skills so they avoid remediation once they reach college. There are more than 550 students enrolled this year in the pilot program. The Committee also heard a report from Wichita State University on its Ad Astra Conference, which is designed to bring first-generation college students across the state together to share information and experiences. Kansas State University provided the Committee with additional information on its proposed Doctorate of Philosophy in Leadership. The Committee approved forwarding the

program to the Board for consideration. The Committee also approved changing one of its 2017 agenda topics to review and approve academic calendars.

AMEND AGENDA

Regent Van Etten moved to amend the agenda to add Kansas State University's Doctorate of Philosophy in Leadership as item three under the Academic Affairs discussion agenda. Regent Thomas seconded, and the motion carried.

FISCAL AFFAIRS AND AUDIT

Regent Bain reported the Board Fiscal Affairs and Audit Standing Committee received accountability reports on the state's major investments for the University of Kansas Medical Center's Cancer Center, Wichita State University's Kansas Aviation Research and Technology Growth Initiative, and Kansas State University's Global Food Solutions. Kansas State University's Veterinary Medical College will provide its update to the Committee in January. The universities will present the economic impact of these programs to the Legislature this upcoming session. Board Staff updated the Committee on the Board of Regents Nursing Faculty and Supplies Grant program. A full update on this program will be presented to the Board at the January meeting. The Committee also reviewed the statewide financial audit. The universities had one finding that was purely technical. Regent Bain noted that this was Mary Herrin's last Committee meeting and thanked her for her services.

GOVERNANCE

Regent Feuerborn reported the Governance Committee approved further amendments to the Credit by Examination policy, which is on the agenda for the Board's consideration. The Committee reviewed amendments to the Board's Weapons policy, which will be forwarded to the Board next month. Additionally, the Committee reviewed the university concealed carry policies that are on the Board's agenda for consideration and discussed the process of receiving the campus security reports.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Regent Bain moved, with the second of Regent Van Etten, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried.

Academic Affairs

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING AT WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

Wichita State University received approval to offer a Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering. The program will be funded with a mix of internal reallocation, tuition revenue, and external research grants and contracts.

BREAK

The Chair called for a break at 2:15 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

Academic Affairs

PERFORMANCE AGREEMENTS

Jean Redeker, Vice President for Academic Affairs, presented the performance agreements for the colleges and universities. State law gives the Board authority to approve performance agreements and all the institutions have developed three-year agreements. Board staff and the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee have reviewed all the proposed agreements. Regent Van Etten moved to approve, and Regent Thomas seconded. The motion carried.

AMENDMENTS TO CREDIT BY EXAMINATION POLICY

Vice President Redeker presented proposed amendments to the Credit by Examination policy. The proposed amendments bring the policy in line with the statute that passed during the last legislative session. The changes require state universities to adopt standardized cut scores for awarding credit on the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) and Advanced Placement (AP) exams. Beginning on July 1, 2017, each state university will award credit for CLEP scores at or above 50 and AP scores 3 or above. Vice President Redeker noted there is a process in place that allows individual academic disciplines to establish a higher systemwide AP exam score. Regent Mullin moved to approve, and Regent Van Etten seconded. The motion carried. The following amendments were adopted:

CHAPTER II: GOVERNANCE – STATE UNIVERSITIES

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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3. CREDIT BY EXAMINATION

- a. College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) and Advanced Placement (AP) credit awarded by any state university in conformity with this policy shall be transferable to accepted by all other state universities.
- ~~b. One half the credit hours earned through campus developed and administered tests may be included in the instructional base.~~
- b. Beginning July 1, 2017, each state university shall award:
 - i. Credit for all Advanced Placement (AP) examination scores of three (3) or above for the equivalent course or courses at their institution.
 - ii. Credit for all College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) examination scores at or above the American Council of Education’s (ACE) credit-granting recommended score of 50 for the equivalent course or courses at their institution.
- c. Any academic discipline may establish a higher systemwide AP exam score above three (3) using the process for establishing a higher AP exam score that was proposed by the Council of Faculty Senate Presidents and approved by the Council of Chief Academic Officers on May 18, 2016.
- d. All other Kansas public postsecondary educational institutions are encouraged to adopt this state university policy.
- e. Institutions shall have discretion on awarding additional credit for scores above three (3) on AP exams and scores above the ACE credit-granting recommended score of 50 for CLEP exams.

DOCTORATE OF PHILOSOPHY IN LEADERSHIP COMMUNICATION – KSU

Vice President Redeker introduced Kansas State University’s request to offer a Doctorate of Philosophy in Leadership Communication (CIP 44.0201). The proposed Ph.D. program went through an external analysis that the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) reviewed. Regent Murfin noted that BAASC directed Kansas State to update the Committee on program guidelines that safeguard against public influence by program participants prior to the start of the program in Fall 2018. Regent Van Etten moved to approve. Following a second by Regent Bain, the motion carried. Regent Murfin abstained from voting.

Fiscal Affairs and Audit

EPSCoR PROPOSALS

Vice President Redeker presented three EPSCoR proposals. The EPSCoR Review Committee recommends funding the following projects:

- 1) For increasing the Kansas IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (located at the University of Kansas Medical Center) competitiveness for National Institutes of Health funds, the Committee recommends awarding \$125,000 for FY 2017. This award provides a 16:1 leverage for state funds (federal: state).
- 2) For additional development of a Single-Molecule Sequencing Using Exonuclease Time-of-Flight Platform project (located at the University of Kansas Medical Center), the Committee recommends awarding \$138,000 for FY 2017.
- 3) For the Center for Environmentally Beneficial Catalysis (located at the University of Kansas), the Committee recommends awarding \$30,000 for FY 2017.

Regent Thomas moved to approve the Committee’s recommendations. Regent Bain seconded, and the motion carried.

FY 2018 HOUSING AND FOOD SERVICE RATE ADJUSTMENTS – STATE UNIVERSITIES

Elaine Frisbie, Vice President of Finance and Administration, presented the proposed FY 2018 housing and food service rate adjustments for final action. The Board discussed meal plan structures and occupancy rates. Regent Mullin asked for more information on occupancy rates for housing structures that currently have outstanding revenue bonds issued. Following discussion, Regent Feuerborn moved to approve the rate adjustments as presented. Regent Bain seconded, and the motion carried.

(Complete Listing of Adjustments filed with Official Minutes)

ALLOCATION OF FY 2018 REHABILITATION AND REPAIR APPROPRIATION – STATE UNIVERSITIES

Vice President Frisbie presented the FY 2018 proposed allocation of the Rehabilitation and Repair appropriation. For FY 2018, \$35,000,000 is expected from the Educational Building Fund for this purpose. Vice President Frisbie noted the universities continue to have a backlog of deferred maintenance projects. The projects list for this appropriation is not a complete list of deferred maintenance projects but rather the top priorities of the universities. Regent Mullin moved that the project list for the FY 2018 rehabilitation and repair appropriation be approved. Regent Feuerborn seconded, and the motion carried. The following summary reflects the authorized totals:

SUMMARY

	<u>Gross Sq. Feet</u>	<u>% of Total</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
The University of Kansas	5,488,301	26.87	\$9,404,000
The University of Kansas Medical Center	2,297,176	11.25	3,938,000
Kansas State University	6,105,374	29.90	10,465,000
Wichita State University	2,243,148	10.98	3,843,000
Emporia State University	1,232,601	6.04	2,114,000
Pittsburg State University	1,507,841	7.38	2,583,000
<u>Fort Hays State University</u>	<u>1,548,171</u>	<u>7.58</u>	<u>2,653,000</u>
TOTAL	20,422,612	100.00	\$35,000,000

MARKET-BASED INSTRUCTION – ESU

Vice President Frisbie introduced Emporia State University's request to offer courses for professional development to non-degree seeking students at market-based tuition rates. ESU's proposal is similar to Wichita State University's proposal that the Board approved in October 2015. Vice President Frisbie stated any programs that ESU wants to offer in the Kansas City area will need to go through the Board's geographical jurisdiction approval process. Regent Thomas moved to approve, and Regent Bain seconded. The motion carried.

PROGRAM STATEMENT FOR STUDENT HOUSING DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION AND BONDING AUTHORIZATION – ESU

Vice President Frisbie presented Emporia State University's request to seek legislative bonding authority to construct new student housing. ESU's proposal includes the demolition of two buildings: Northeast Morse Hall and Central Morse Hall. It also includes the construction of a new 325-bed facility. The total project cost is estimated at \$31.5 million. Vice President Frisbie noted that if bonding authority is granted, the debt service will be repaid with student housing fees. Regent Bangerter moved to approve, and Regent Van Etten seconded. The motion carried.

PROGRAM STATEMENT FOR ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND BONDING AUTHORIZATION – KSU

Kansas State University's request to seek bonding authority from the Legislature to upgrade its electrical distribution system was presented by Vice President Frisbie. Over the last 18 months, several of KSU's buildings have experienced power outages as a result of an antiquated electrical distribution system. The estimated cost to upgrade the system is approximately \$7.8 million. If bonding authority is granted, the debt service will be repaid from a portion of KSU's allocation of the Education Building Fund and revenue generated from interest deposited in the Deferred Maintenance Support Fund. Vice President Frisbie noted this project is listed on KSU's FY 2018 Rehabilitation and Repair Projects list. Regent Bain moved to approve, and Regent Mullin seconded. The motion carried.

AMENDMENT TO FY 2017 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND PROGRAM STATEMENT TO INCREASE THE PROJECT BUDGET FOR PUREBRED BEEF UNIT – KSU

Vice President Frisbie introduced Kansas State University's request to amend its FY 2017 Capital Improvement Plan and program statement to increase the budget for the Purebred Beef Unit relocation project from \$5.2 million to \$6 million. The budget increase of \$800,000 will be financed from Animal Sciences and Industry restricted use departmental fund balances. The \$5.2 million will still be funded from bond proceeds committed from the State of Kansas to the NBAF project. Regent Murfin moved to approve. Regent Van Etten seconded, and the motion carried.

AMENDMENT TO FY 2017 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND PROGRAM STATEMENT FOR THE BILL SNYDER FAMILY STADIUM PHASE IV – KSU

Kansas State University's request to amend its FY 2017 Capital Improvement plan and program statement to include the Bill Snyder Family Stadium Phase IV was presented by Vice President Frisbie. The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$1.34 million, which will be funded with private gifts and Athletic Association funds. Regent Bangerter moved to approve, and Regent Murfin seconded. The motion carried.

AMENDMENT TO FY 2017 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND PROGRAM STATEMENT FOR THE BILL SNYDER FAMILY STADIUM PHASE V – KSU

Vice President Frisbie presented Kansas State University's request to amend its FY 2017 Capital Improvement plan and program statement to include the Bill Snyder Family Stadium Phase V. The total project cost is approximately \$4,655,000, which will be funded with Athletic Association funds. Regent Feuerborn moved to approve. Regent Van Etten seconded, and the motion carried.

TRASFER OF PROPERTY – KU & KSU

Vice President Frisbie stated the University of Kansas and Kansas State University are beneficiaries of the James F. Lindley Revocable Trust and request authorization to transfer ownership from the universities to the KU Endowment Association and the KSU Charitable Real Estate Foundation. Each university will receive 50 percent interest in ten tracts of real property located in Shawnee and Jefferson Counties, Kansas for creation of scholarship funds. The appraised value of the real property is \$4,257,000. Regent Bangerter moved to approve, and Regent Thomas seconded. The motion carried. The following land will be transferred:

Legal Descriptions of Real Property, Estate of James F. Lindley

Tract 1

The Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Sixteen (16), Township Ten (10) South, Range 15 East of the 6th P.M. in Shawnee County Kansas, containing 160 acres, more or less.

Except a tract of land described: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Section; thence S 0°42'24"E, 475.00 feet along the East line of said Quarter; thence S 90°00'00"W, 525.00 feet; thence N 00°42'24"W, 475.00 feet; thence N 90°00'00"E, 525.00 feet along the North line of said Quarter to the point of beginning.

Tract 2

The west 30 acres of that fractional southerly part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 17, East of the 6th P.M., lying and being south of the public road running south of and adjacent to the village of Grantville (said road being South Street in village of Grantville according to the recorded plat thereof and said South Street extended), except a tract described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of the south line of South Street and the West line extended south of Adams Street, in the village of Grantville, according to the recorded plat thereof, running thence south parallel with the west boundary of said northeast quarter 421.509 feet; thence: east parallel with the south boundary of said Northeast Quarter 336.8 feet; thence north parallel with the west boundary of said Northeast Quarter 354.5 feet to the south line of said South Street; thence westerly following the south line of said South Street 343.5 feet to the place of beginning, containing approximately 3 acres, more or less; also

Except that portion of said West 30 acres described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the south line of South Street and the West line of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 17, east of the 6th P.M.; thence in a southeasterly direction along the south line of the South Street 699 feet; thence south on line which is perpendicular to the south line: of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 17, east of the 6th P.M., to a point on said south line of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 17, east of the 6th P.M.; thence West along the south line of said quarter section to the southwest corner of said quarter section; thence north along the west line of said quarter section to the place of beginning; also

Except that portion described as follows: Beginning at a point on the south line of South Street, which point is 699 feet southeasterly along the south line of South Street from the intersection of the south line of the South Street with the west line of the Northeast Quarter, Section 19, Township

Beginning at a point where the South line of South Street intersects the West line of said Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 17, East of the 6th P.M.; thence Southeasterly along the South line of South Street 699 feet; thence South and perpendicular to the South line of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 17, East of the 6th P.M., to the South line of said Quarter Section; thence west along South line of said Quarter Section to the West line thereof; thence North along West line of said Quarter Section to the place of beginning, except streets and highways,

Tract 3

The East 79 acres of the North 89.9 acres of the Northwest Fractional Quarter (NWfr1/4) of Section 21, Township 11, Range 17, also described as that part of Lots 3 and 4 in Section 21 lying East of Road, in Jefferson County, Kansas

Tract 4

The Southwest Fractional Quarter (SW fr.1/4) of Section 23, Township 11 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M.; EXCEPT that part of said Southwest Fractional Quarter (SW fr.1/4) described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said fractional quarter section, running thence West 14.24 chains, thence North to the North line of said fractional quarter section, thence East to the Northeast corner of said fractional quarter section, thence South along the East line of said fractional quarter section to the place of beginning; ALSO EXCEPT the right-of-way of the Union Pacific Railroad Company (formerly Kansas Pacific Railway Company); in Jefferson County, Kansas.

The East 45.58 acres of Lot No. One (1) per Government Plat of Section Twenty-Six (26), Township Eleven (11) South, Range Seventeen (17) East of the Sixth P.M., Jefferson County, Kansas.

The West Forty (40) acres of the Northwest Fractional Quarter (NWfr1/4) of Section Twenty-six (26), Township Eleven (11), Range Seventeen (17), Delaware Trust Lands; ALSO the Northeast Fractional Quarter (NEfr1/4) of Section Twenty-six (26), Township Eleven (11), Range Seventeen (17), Delaware Reserve Lands, 57.69 acres, and containing in all 97.69 acres, more or less.

The Northwest Fractional Quarter (NW Fr. ¼) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township Eleven (11) South, Range Seventeen (17) East, Jefferson County, Kansas, commonly known as Lot No. One (1) per Government plat of said Section 25, and containing 11.25 acres.

Tract 5

The west one hundred (100) acres of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of Section Eighteen (18), in Township Eleven (11) South, Range Seventeen (17) East, in Jefferson County, Kansas.

EXCEPT A tract of land in the Northeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 11 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M., Jefferson County, Kansas described as follows; Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence N01°13'24"W (assumed bearing) along the West line of said Northeast Quarter a distance of 850.00 feet; thence N89°42'12"E a distance of 525.00 feet; thence S01°13'24"E a distance of 850.00 feet to a point on the South line of said Northeast Quarter; thence S89°42'12"W along said South line a distance of 525.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 10.24 acres more or less and subject to easements and rights of ways of record.

A tract of land in the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Seven (7), Township Eleven South (T11S), Range Seventeen East (R17E) of the 6th P.M., in Jefferson County, Kansas, described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner (SEcr) of said Southeast Quarter (SE/4); thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 21 seconds West (assumed bearing) along the South line of said Southeast Quarter (SE/4), 2,540.08 feet to the center of Muddy Creek; thence North 32 degrees 35 minutes 49 seconds West along the center of Muddy Creek, 123.00 feet; thence North 10 degrees 56 minutes 32 seconds West along the center of Muddy Creek, 129.52 feet; thence North 50 degrees 24 minutes 41 seconds East along the center of Muddy Creek, 376.86 feet; thence North 03 degrees 39 minutes 16 seconds West along the center of Muddy Creek, 58.95 feet; thence North 45 degrees 05 minutes 46 seconds West along the center of Muddy Creek, 94.42 feet; thence North 16 degrees 35 minutes 44 seconds West along the center of Muddy Creek, 54.44 feet; thence North 06 degrees 08 minutes 06 seconds East along the center of Muddy Creek, 182.16 feet; thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes 21 seconds East, 2,386.74 feet to the East line of said Southeast Quarter (SE/4); thence South 01 degree 24 minutes 47 seconds East along the East line of said Southeast Quarter (SE/ 4), 829 .66 feet to the point of beginning; said tract containing 47.01 acres, more or less.

Tract 6

The West Half (W/2) of the Southwest Fractional Quarter (SWFr/4) of Section Six (6), Township Eleven South (T11S), Range Seventeen East (R17E) of the 6th P.M. in Jefferson County, Kansas:

EXCEPT approximately 8.077 acres along the East side thereof for Drainage and channel change as set out in Book 269, page 808; AND EXCEPT a parcel of land in the Southwest corner (Swcr) of the West Half (W/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section 6, Township 11 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M., described as follows:

The South 749.48 feet of the West 626.13 feet, together with an easement 40 feet wide over the South 40 feet of the above described South 749.48 feet of the West 626.13 feet of said West Half (W/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW/4).

Tract 7

The North Half (N1/2) of the Southwest Fractional Quarter (SWfr1/4) and all that part of the North Half (N 1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) lying West of Big Muddy Creek; all in Section 7, Township 11 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M. in Jefferson County, Kansas.

Tract 8

The North Half (N ½) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4); also the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼); also the North Half (N ½) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼); all in Section Twelve (12), Township Eleven (11) South, Range Sixteen (16) East of the 6th P.M., Jefferson County, Kansas. Containing 140 acres, more or less.

Tract 9

The Southwest Fractional Quarter of Section 30, Township 10 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M., containing 159.69 acres, more or less, according to U.S. Government Survey; and the Northwest Fractional Quarter of Section 30, Township 10 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M., except a tract described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Northwest Fractional Quarter, thence East 408 feet, thence South 385 feet, thence West 408 feet, thence North 385 feet to the place of beginning, and containing, less said excepted tract, 156.99 acres, more or less, according to U.S. Government Survey, and containing in the aggregate 316.68 acres, more or less, according to U.S. Government Survey, and except a tract of land in the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 10, Range 17, East of the 6th P.M., described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Northwest Quarter which is 1105.0 feet South of the Northwest corner of said Northwest Quarter; thence East at an angle of 91 degrees, 53.3 minutes in the Southeast quadrant, 256.0 feet; thence West parallel with the first described course, 256.0 feet to the West line of said Northwest Quarter; thence North 260.0 feet to the point of beginning; and except a parcel of land containing 3.5 acres, more or less, lying in part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 10 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M., and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line 1365.0 feet South of the Northwest corner of said Section 30; thence North 88°18'09" East 256.17 feet; thence North 0°12'07" East 260.0 feet; thence North 88°16'49" East 311.0 feet; thence South 1°42'46" East 166.88 feet; thence South 49°47'49" West 209.87 feet; thence South 74°23'27" West 134.90 feet; thence S 38°37'34" West 380.20 feet thence South 88°18'09" West 45.0 feet to the West line of said Section 30; thence North 0°00'00" East along the said West line 359.0 feet, more or less to the point of beginning. The subject tract consists of 311.4 acres more or less.

Tract 10

The Southwest Fractional Quarter of Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 17 East of the 6th P.M., Jefferson County, Kansas, less the following described tract of land: Beginning at the Southwest Corner of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 30; thence North on the Section line 2694 feet; thence East 30 feet; thence

South parallel with the Section line 2694 feet; thence West 30 feet to the point of beginning, and subject to existing highway and road right of way.

UPDATE TO CAMPUS MASTER PLAN – PSU

President Scott reported the Board approved Pittsburg State University’s Campus Master Plan in 2011. Since then, the University has completed several projects including the Overman Student Center, the Crossland Family University House, and new and renovated student housing. President Scott stated PSU has updated its Master Plan to align with the goals of the University’s new Strategic Plan. Regent Bain moved to approve PSU’s updated Campus Master Plan. Regent Mullin seconded, and the motion carried.

(Handout filed with Official Minutes)

Governance

AMENDMENT TO K.A.R. 88-29-11 AND REVOCATION OF CERTAIN ARTICLE 29 RULES AND REGULATIONS

General Counsel Julene Miller presented amendments to K.A.R. 88-29-11 that sets forth the qualified admission precollege curriculum for state university applicants. The proposed amendments update the list of precollege courses required for admission to state universities. General Counsel Miller noted that the amendments will not adversely affect any students because they are prospective only. Staff also recommends the following regulations be revoked: K.A.R. 88-29-2, K.A.R. 88-29-5, K.A.R. 88-29-6, K.A.R. 88-29-7, K.A.R. 88-29-7a, K.A.R. 88-29-8, K.A.R. 88-29-8c, K.A.R. 88-29-9, and K.A.R. 88-29-10. These regulations have now been replaced with new regulations that took effect with the summer 2015 session. Regent Bangerter moved, and Regent Feuerborn seconded, that the proposed amended regulation and revocations be approved. On a roll call vote, the following Regents voted affirmatively to adopt the motion: Regent Newton, Regent Murfin, Regent Feuerborn, Regent Mullin, Regent Thomas, Regent Van Etten, Regent Bain, and Regent Bangerter. Motion carried.

CAMPUS CONCEALED CARRY POLICIES – STATE UNIVERSITIES

General Counsel Miller stated one of the Board’s goals this year is to continue preparing for campus concealed carry by approving the university policies that implement the Board’s Weapons policy and state law. The proposed policies of the universities will go into effect after July 1, 2017, when the statutorily authorized exemption expires. The Governance Committee reviewed all the policies and requested that they be forwarded to the Board for approval this month so the universities have sufficient time to prepare for the implementation of the policies before the statutory exemption expires. General Counsel Miller noted all the universities formed diverse campus committees to aid with the drafting of their policies. For the most part, the proposed policies are consistent with the Board policy and the state statutes. They are also similar to each other, bringing some degree of uniformity across the state university system.

General Counsel Miller reported there are two instances where the university policies will require amendments to the Board policy. The first amendment to the Board policy would clarify that each university may provide or authorize more locations for safe storage of a handgun than are currently mentioned in the Board policy. The second amendment to the Board policy would allow stun guns to be used for self-defense purposes and specifically prohibit Taser-like devices. The Governance Committee reviewed these proposed changes and approved forwarding them to the Board for consideration at the January meeting.

General Counsel Miller presented a general overview of the proposed policies. She noted each permits concealed carry on campus beginning July 1, 2017. The campuses will continue to prohibit possession of other weapons and open carry of any firearm even after July 1, 2017. None of the policies currently provide for adequate security measures at public entrances of any buildings on campus. She noted that per Board policy, the universities will need to bring requests for concealed carry prohibitions at specific buildings using adequate security measures to the Governance Committee for approval. Regent Bangerter commented that the Governance Committee will also

review any locations that the universities want to deem restricted access. The universities are being asked to discuss their planned restricted access locations in their annual security to the Governance Committee.

Regent Bangerter moved to approve all the university policies. Regent Thomas seconded, and the motion carried.

(University Policies filed with Official Minutes)

BREAK

Chair Newton called for a break at 3:27 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Other Matters

NON-BUDGETARY LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL

Matt Casey, Director of Government Relations, reported last month the Board reviewed the proposed non-budget legislative item to reauthorize the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority for a five-year period beginning July 1, 2017. Without an amendment to the statute, the TEA will sunset on June 30, 2017. Regent Feuerborn moved to approve, and Regent Bain seconded. The motion carried.

WICHITA AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE AND WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY AFFILIATION PROPOSAL (FIRST READ)

President Bardo and President Utash presented the Wichita Area Technical College (WATC) and Wichita State University (WSU) affiliation proposal. Last month the Board received information on a possible merger between the two entities. A merger would require changes in funding statutes and common practices. Following the Board meeting, WATC and WSU decided a formal affiliation with a structure similar to what Washburn University has with Washburn Institute of Technology would accomplish the goals they originally set out. The affiliation means the following will happen: 1) there will be a change in the operational governance of WATC from Sedgwick County Government to Wichita State University (while maintaining governance of the University in the Board of Regents), 2) the name of WATC will change to Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology, and 3) WATC employees will transition from Sedgwick County employment to WSU (state) employment. President Utash noted that WATC would remain a technical college that offers two-year associates degrees. It will keep its unique Federal Identification Number and most likely have a separate HLC accreditation process. It will apply for federal grants as a technical college and receive state funds that are available to technical colleges. President Bardo stated the affiliation will allow students at both entities to have more access and more opportunities.

President Krull, Butler Community College, spoke on behalf of the community colleges regarding the affiliation. She stated the community colleges are supportive of WATC and WSU forming an affiliation. However, the community colleges are still concerned about the funding language in the proposed legislative bill. The community colleges would like the language regarding tiered technical course funding to be consistent with current practices. President Krull reiterated that the community colleges are still against re-centering the postsecondary tiered technical education state aid.

President Burks, North Central Kansas Technical College, stated the technical colleges are supportive of the proposed affiliation. The technical colleges do not have any opposition to WATC remaining eligible for all funding streams available to technical colleges.

Regent Newton thanked the two-year college representatives for attending. The Board will continue the discussion on the proposed affiliation at the January meeting.

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS CHANCELLOR SEARCH COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND SEARCH CHARGE

Last month the Board appointed Dave Dillon as Chair of the University of Kansas Chancellor Search Committee. Regent Murfin thanked Mr. Dillon for his willingness to chair such an important Committee. He then read the proposed Board Charge to the Committee and the names of the individuals who have agreed to serve on the Committee. Regent Murfin moved to approve the Board Charge, the Committee membership, and the appointment of Regent Murguia as vice chair of the Committee. Regent Mullin seconded, and the motion carried.

(Committee Charge and Membership filed with Official Minutes)

FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY INTERIM PRESIDENT

Regent Newton thanked Mike Barnett for his leadership as Acting President for the past several weeks at Fort Hays State University. Regent Bain then moved to appoint Dr. Andy Tompkins as the Interim President at Fort Hays State University and direct the Board Chair and Board President and CEO to work with Dr. Tompkins to finalize the details of the appointment. Regent Thomas seconded, and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Newton adjourned the meeting at 4:11 p.m.

Blake Flanders, President and CEO

Zoe F. Newton, Chair

REPORTS AND CONSENT AGENDA

II. Introductions and Reports

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| A. <i>Introductions</i> | |
| B. <i>Report from the Chair</i> | Regent Newton, Chair |
| C. <i>Report from the President & CEO</i> | Blake Flanders, President & CEO |
| D. <i>Report from Council of Presidents</i> | Chancellor Gray-Little |
| E. <i>Report from Council of Faculty Senate Presidents</i> | Pam Keller |
| F. <i>Report from Students' Advisory Committee</i> | Stephonn Alcorn |
| G. <i>Report from Unclassified Staff Council</i> | Elizabeth Phillips |
| H. <i>Report from University Support Staff Council</i> | Chris Wallace |

III. Standing Committee Reports

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| A. <i>Academic Affairs</i> | Regent Newton |
| B. <i>Fiscal Affairs & Audit</i> | Regent Bain |
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IV. Approval of Consent Agenda

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| A. <i>Academic Affairs</i> | |
| 1. Act on Request for Approval of Programs for Cloud County Community College and Kansas City Kansas Community College | Scott Smathers,
VP, Workforce Development |

Summary

Each month community and technical colleges submit requests for the approval of new certificate and degree programs. The Board office received requests from Cloud County Community College to offer an Associate of Applied Science degree and a technical certificate in Precision Agriculture Production and from Kansas City Kansas Community College to offer a technical certificate in Nail Technology. The programs submitted addressed all criteria requested and were subject to the 14-day comment period required by policy. The program was reviewed by the Technical Education Authority and is recommended for approval.

Background

Community and technical colleges submit requests for new certificate and degree programs each month utilizing forms approved by staff. Criteria addressed during the application process include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Student and employer demand for the program
- Current and projected job openings and anticipated wages
- Level of program duplication across institutions, based on Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) code, and any efforts to collaborate to provide the needed program
- Rationale for why collaboration is not a viable option and/or need for a duplicative program
- Program description and designation of required and elective courses
- Measurable program outcomes and course competencies
- Process and frequency for review of program content, level of program success, and process for addressing any areas of concern
- Any specialized accreditation required and/or available for the proposed program
- Faculty qualifications and proposed student to faculty ratio
- Description of facilities and equipment needed and available

- Projected program costs and designation of adequate resources
- Membership of a steering/advisory committee for the program
- Approval by institutional academic committee and local governing board

Description of Proposed Programs:

Cloud County Community College requests approval for the following program:

- Precision Agriculture Production (01.0304) - Associate of Applied Science degree/62 credit hours, Technical Certificate B/30 credit hours

The proposed Precision Agriculture Production program will prepare students with the necessary skills for entry-level employment in areas, including but not limited to, Program Agriculture Technicians, Product Marketers, and Service Providers. The program consists of courses in areas such as agronomy, software, hardware, unmanned aircraft, and data management. Emphasis will be placed on the utilization of data in decision making.

To gauge student demand for this program, Cloud County Community College (CCCC) surveyed thirty-six current agriculture students about their interest in Precision Agriculture, all of whom indicated interest.

The title of “Precision Agriculture” is relatively new and is only now starting to be used in business and industry and national occupational reporting data. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook indicates a national growth rate for occupations that fall under Life, Physical, and Social Science Technicians of 8% from 2012-2022, with a median wage of \$44,650 (\$21.47 per hour). The Kansas Department of Labor has yet to begin reporting on occupations titled Precision Agriculture. For comparison purposes Life, Physical, and Social Science Technician data was used. KS DOL data indicates a median wage of \$44,060 (\$21.18 per hour). Projected growth rate from 2012-2022 is 13.33%, which equates to an additional 333 jobs statewide.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture states that between 2015 and 2020, college graduates should expect to see 57,900 average annual openings for graduates with bachelor’s or higher degrees; 27% of those openings being in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), with precision agriculture specialists specifically named.

Currently, three institutions in the state offer Precision Agriculture programs utilizing the classification of instruction (CIP) code 01.0308. The National Center for Education Statistics titled this CIP as Agroecology and Sustainable Agriculture and is defined as:

“A program that focuses on agricultural principles and practices that, over the long term, enhance environmental quality, make efficient use of nonrenewable resources, integrate natural biological cycles and controls, and are economically viable and socially responsible; and that may prepare individuals to apply this knowledge to the solution of agricultural and environmental problems. Includes instruction in principles of agroecology, crop and soil sciences, entomology, horticulture, animal science, weed science and management, soil fertility and nutrient cycling, applied ecology, agricultural economics, and rangeland ecology and watershed management.”

The CIP to Standard Occupation Classification (SOC) match includes the following occupations: Nursery and Greenhouse Managers, Farm and Ranch Managers, Soil and Plant Scientists, Soil and Water Conservationists, Agriculture Sciences Teachers, Forestry and Conservation Science Teachers, and First-Line Supervisors of Agriculture Crop and Horticulture Workers.

Because these programs are relatively new, no enrollment, completion or wage data is currently available for Highland Community College’s (HCC) Precision Agriculture program or Johnson County Community College’s

(JCCC) Sustainable Agriculture program. In fact, Northwest Kansas Technical College's (NWKSTC) Precision Agriculture program was approved on February 17, 2016 and was scheduled to begin in August 2016.

CCCC's proposed program utilizes CIP Code 01.0304 which is titled Crop Production and is defined as: "A program that prepares individuals to cultivate grain, fiber, forage, oilseed, fruits and nuts, vegetables, and other domesticated plant products. Includes instruction in basic principles of plant science, health, and nutrition as applied to particular species and breeds; soil preparation and irrigation; pest management; planting and harvesting operations; product marketing; and applicable issues of safety, regulation, logistics, and supply."

The CIP to SOC match includes the following occupations: Farm and Ranch Managers, Agriculture Sciences Teachers, Farm and Home Management Advisors, and First-Line Supervisors of Agriculture Crop and Horticulture Workers.

CCCC's Advisory Board and Agriculture Department believe the CIP code description best fits their program and believe the CIP to SOC matches most accurately depict occupations students will obtain. CCCC did not seek partnership with any institutions offering similar programs, stating distance and curricular differences.

Upon examination of the current programs utilizing CIP code 01.0308, JCCC's program, Sustainable Agriculture, appears to be focused on food production for individual farmers geared at personal consumption or commerce at local farmers' markets. HCC and NWKSTC's Precision Agriculture programs prepare students with competencies in the areas of Geographic Information Systems, management, computer systems, collection and interpretation of data, and soil sensing. NWKSTC's program specifically states the inclusion of unmanned aerial systems within the program for the purpose of data collection. Courses within both programs appear to be consistent with the description of the CIP code.

An examination of Cloud County Community College's Precision Agriculture Production program, utilizing CIP code 01.0304, appears to be very similar to existing Precision Agriculture programs. Students are prepared with competencies in the areas of agriculture management, computer systems, collection and interpretation of data, plant science and plant pest control. The proposed new program allows the student twenty-four credit hours of agriculture electives, which permits the student to customize the program to their intended career goals. CCCC has also included the use of unmanned aircraft systems as optional competencies for this program. Two courses required of the proposed program (Plant Science and Plant Pest Control) appear to be consistent with the description of the CIP code.

Letters of support for this program were received from the following sources:

- Mid Kansas Cooperative. – serving on local advisory board, guest speaker, equipment demos, and field trips.
- Kansas State Research and Extension, River Valley Extension District #4. – participation on local advisory board.
- Crop Production Services – curriculum development, guest speaking, opportunities for hands on experience, and internships.
- Letters of general support were included from Mid Kansas Cooperative, Kansas State Research and Extension, and Central Valley Agriculture

Cloud County Community College planned to begin the Precision Agriculture Production program in August 2016. The college estimated the initial cost to deliver the proposed program at approximately \$97,500 (\$55,000 salaries; \$35,000 equipment, \$5,000 tools and/or supplies, and \$2,500 for technology). A new full-time faculty member will be hired. Existing space on campus will be used. Instructor salaries will be paid through the general fund and student lab fees. Equipment will be obtained through industry partner donations and supplemented through the general fund. Tools and/or supplies and technology for the program will be acquired through the institution's general fund.

The proposed program was subject to the 14-day comment period from April 21, 2016 to May 10, 2016 during which four responses were received. Kansas City Kansas Community College and Pratt Community College stated they had no objection to this program. Responses expressing concerns of program duplication, no attempt at collaboration with existing programs, appropriateness of the CIP Code, and funding concerns were received from Northwest Kansas Technical College and Highland Community College.

At the request of the Technical Education Authority's Program and Curriculum Committee, Cloud County Community College worked with Highland Community College to develop a partnership between the two programs. As a result, the two colleges developed a shared program in which Precision Agriculture courses distinct to each institution would be transferable between the colleges, allowing students to take advantage of course offerings from both programs.

Staff Recommendation

The new program request submitted by Cloud County Community College for an Associate of Applied Science degree at 62 credit hours and Technical Certificates B at 30 credit hours in Precision Agriculture Production was reviewed by the Technical Education Authority is recommended for approval.

Kansas City Kansas Community College requests approval for the following program:

- Nail Technology (12.0410) - Technical Certificate A/16 credit hours

The proposed Nail Technology program prepares individuals to shape fingernails and toenails, remove unwanted skin and blemishes, apply polish and cosmetics to nails, and function as licensed manicurists. The proposed program includes instruction in manicuring theory, skin anatomy, nail growth, irregularities, diseases, sterilization, sanitation, equipment and table maintenance, cuticles, blemishes, rough skin removal, nail filing, shaping polishing, cream application, extremity massage, nail sculpture, nail design, nail art, product storage, product usage, customer service, laws, and regulations. Upon completion of the program, students are eligible to sit for the Kansas Board of Cosmetology's Nail Technology License.

Kansas City Kansas Community College currently offers a fifteen credit hour Nail Technology Stand Alone Parent Program (SAPP). Courses within SAPP's are eligible for tiered funding; however, the program itself is not eligible for Carl D. Perkins funds.

To gauge student demand for this program, Kansas City Kansas Community College examined student inquiry data. According to Scott Smith, KCKCC's Counselor, during the past year 35 students have been advised on the program; however, only 10% actually enrolled in the program. The most common reason given for not enrolling in the program was the lack of federal financial aid for the program.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook indicates a national growth rate for Manicurists and Pedicurists of 10% from 2014-2024 with a median annual wage of \$20,820, or about \$10.01 per hour. The Kansas Department of Labor, Long-term Occupation Projections 2012-2022 indicate a state-wide growth rate of 9.57%, which equates to roughly 11 jobs, with a median annual wage of \$22,756, or about \$10.94 per hour.

Currently, five institutions offer a Nail Technology program. Below are the colleges, programs, total number of declared majors, total number of graduates, and average wage of graduates exited and employed information from the 2015 K-TIP report.

2015 K-TIP Data					
College	Program Name	Total # declared Majors	Total # Graduates	Total # Graduates Exiting & Employed	Average Wage: Graduates Exited & Employed
Fort Scott Community College	Manicurist	8	5	*	NR
Independence Community College	Nail Tech	*	*	*	NR
Johnson County Community College	Nail Technology	17	14	5	*
Kansas City KS Community College	Nail Technology	26	10	9	\$23,554
Northwest KS Technical College	Nail Technician	*	*	*	NR
Total					

NR = No values were reported.

* = Small cell suppression used to protect student privacy in accordance with FERPA and HEOA guidelines.

Of the five Nail Technology programs in the state, Johnson County Community College is the only institution running the program as a Technical Certificate A. All other programs are SAPPs.

Letters of support for this program were received from the following sources:

- Barukh Beauty Salon – program development, apprenticeship opportunities, willing to interview and employ qualified program completers
- ECE Beauty Salon – interview opportunities for program completers
- Hoopla - willingness to interview and employ qualified program completers
- Allure Nail Supply – access to facility for field trips and donation of materials
- State Beauty Supply - access to facility for field trips, donation of materials, willing to interview and employ qualified program completers
- Letters of general support were included from Studio 8 The Salon, and Salon Equipment Now

Kansas City Kansas Community College plans to begin the Technical Certificate a Nail Technology program in August of 2017. Since the college currently runs a SAPP in the CIP code, there is no additional cost to increase the program by 1 credit hour. Existing faculty and space will be utilized.

The proposed program was subject to the 14-day comment period from October 18, 2016 to November 4, 2016 during which no comments were received.

Staff Recommendation

The new program request submitted by Kansas City Kansas Community College for a Technical Certificate A at 16 credit hours in Nail Technology has been reviewed by the Technical Education Authority and is recommended for approval.

2. Act on Request for Approval of Courses for Systemwide Transfer

Jean Redeker,
VP, Academic Affairs

Summary and Staff Recommendation

The Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) reviewed reports from the September 23, 2016 Kansas Core Outcome Group (KCOG) meeting and approved outcomes for nine additional courses to be recognized for transfer across the Kansas Board of Regent System. Staff recommends approval of this request.

Background

The ongoing process of transfer and articulation among public postsecondary institutions in Kansas is managed by the Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) which utilizes the discipline-based Kansas Core Outcomes Groups (KCOG) to review courses for direct equivalency.

Board policy states the Transfer and Articulation Council's mission is to create structures and processes that facilitate student transfer and degree completion within Kansas higher education. TAAC is responsible for assuring quality and adherence to the agreed-upon learning outcomes of courses articulated across institutions. Criteria used for selecting courses to consider for systemwide transfer are:

- Courses that facilitate timely degree completion
 - Courses that meet General Education requirements
 - Lower division instruction * (as defined in KBOR policy)
 - Frequency of transfer across institutions
 - Number of institutions offering course (minimum target of 12)
 - Recommendation of faculty at Kansas Core Outcomes Group Meeting
- * lower-division instruction means course content and teaching at a level appropriate for first and second-year postsecondary students generally but available to more advanced students who have no prior experience in the subject.

Faculty established learning outcomes for the courses listed below at the annual KCOG 2016 meeting at Washburn University. TAAC recently reviewed reports submitted by the KCOG Chairs from the meeting and approved outcomes for nine additional courses for seamless transfer among any university or college in the Kansas Board of Regents System offering the equivalent course.

2017-18 Courses Presented for Approval

The following list of courses is presented to the Board for approval for inclusion in the systemwide transfer matrix:

- Anatomy and Physiology – 8 credit hours
- Biology II and Lab for Majors
- Contemporary Math/Essential Math
- First Aid and CPR
- General Calculus/Business Calculus
- Introduction to Business
- Introduction to Education
- Introduction to Women's Studies
- Medical Terminology

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval to include the nine courses listed above in the systemwide course transfer matrix.

B. Fiscal Affairs & Audit

1. Authorize Razing of Buildings 440 (Barn) and 441 (Shed) – KSU

**Nelda Henning,
Director of Facilities**

Kansas State University requests approval to raze a concrete block and steel barn, building #440, and a metal shed, building #441, at the Purebred Beef Unit location, 1517 Kimball Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66506. The location of the buildings, adjacent to the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility, was identified as a potential security issue during the Site Specific Risk Assessment conducted for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. In addition, the 59-year old barn is no longer able to fulfill the research and technology requirements of the program and is no longer cost effective to maintain. There will be no utility or operating costs following demolition. Funds allocated to building maintenance will be directed to other projects.

Asbestos was found in the barn during a test by a certified inspector. The asbestos will be removed prior to demolition, and the site will be restored to grass. The Board of Regents approved the legislative proposal at the November 2016 meeting to sell multiple properties. The land will be sold pending legislative approval in 2017. The cost to raze the buildings and clear the site is estimated at \$65,000 and will be financed from the funds appropriated by the Legislature to relocate the Purebred Beef Unit.

2. Amend FY 2017 Capital Improvement Plan to Add Agronomy Education Center – KSU

Kansas State University requests approval to amend the FY 2017 capital improvement project plan and to accept the program statement for the Agronomy Education Center. K-State's Department of Agronomy is recognized as a regional, national and world leader in agricultural research, teaching and extension outreach. In 2008, the Department of Agronomy CSREES review recommended developing a training and education center at the Agronomy Farm to enhance the effectiveness of undergraduate teaching, technology sharing with research partners and extension offices and related research programs. The need for an Agronomy Education Center has only grown since 2008 as undergraduate enrollment and demand for graduates in agriculture fields have increased. The Agronomy Farm is frequently utilized by individuals from elementary aged children to professionals for educational and outreach activities. The Center will promote multi-investigator, multi-disciplinary and multi-institutional research projects requiring extensive on-site work sessions and interactions.

The 6,600 square foot Agronomy Education Center will be located adjacent to the Ag Research Center on Kimball Avenue within easy access of educational and research areas. The center will consist of an exhibition hall, two multipurpose teaching rooms, restrooms, storage, mechanical space and a lobby. Emphasis will be placed on energy conservation methods, such as exterior wall insulation and utilizing daylight to reduce the use of artificial light, to ensure the building is energy efficient and sustainable. The total project cost is estimated at \$1.2 million and will be financed from private funds. Operations and maintenance costs will be financed from departmental funds.

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| <p>3. Act on Request for Approval of the Kansas Board of Regents Nursing Faculty and Supplies Grant Program</p> | <p>Connie Beene,
Sr. Director, Adult & Career
Technical Education</p> |
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Summary

In 2005, nursing program directors from across the state identified four major barriers that limited increased enrollment and subsequent graduation of more registered nursing students. These barriers were: (1) an insufficient number of qualified nursing faculty, (2) competition among programs for clinical placement sites, (3) classroom and laboratory space constraints, and (4) additional equipment needs. In January 2006, The Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) submitted a report to the Governor and the Legislature describing the resources required to increase the capacity of the state higher education system to accommodate up to 250 more nursing students annually. In spring 2006, the Legislature responded to the report by investing \$3.4 million dollars in grant funds to begin addressing each of the four barriers to nursing education program expansion. The Legislature authorized KBOR to distribute these funds annually in three specific areas based on the key barriers identified in the report. The current grant supports nursing faculty salaries and supplies by investing \$1,800,000 yearly, and is set to be renewed in 2017.

Background

To create a new request for proposal (RFP), Workforce Development staff created the following process and timeline:

- Convened groups of nursing directors and hospital/business and industry representatives, and the Kansas Board of Nursing staff in the Fall, 2016 to determine the needs and future outlook for the nursing profession
- KBOR staff gathered input and synthesized into an initial framework
- Committee formed to create RFP
- Timeline to release:
 - October/November – Creation of RFP
 - November 14 through 23: Public comment period
 - December 8 – Technical Education Authority
 - December 14 – KBOR Fiscal Affairs & Audit
 - January 18-19 – Kansas Board of Regents

The following eligibility criteria were agreed upon by the various focus groups:

- Approved by the Kansas Board of Nursing and nationally accredited
- Most recent 3-year average NCLEX test scores at or above the 3-year national average
- Documented articulation of one of the following: RN to BSN, BSN to MSN, MSN to DNP

In an effort to assist those programs not meeting the above criteria, 10% of funds will be set aside for “alternative applications” for programs to:

- Obtain accreditation
- Improve NCLEX scores to a minimum of 3-year national average
- Grants awarded on yearly basis – allows institutions to address deficiencies and receive additional funding in subsequent years

Recommendation

The RFP and process was approved by the Kansas Technical Education Authority on December 8, 2016. Board staff submit the RFP and process to the Kansas Board of Regents for consideration and approval.

- 4. Act on Proposed Amendments to Memorandum of Agreement with Pittsburg State University and the PSU Chapter of the Kansas National Education Association (KNEA)** **Theresa Schwartz, Associate General Counsel**

Summary and Staff Recommendation

Pittsburg State University (PSU) requests that the Kansas Board of Regents approve and execute the Amendments to a Memorandum of Agreement (Agreement) between PSU, the Kansas Board of Regents and the PSU chapter of the Kansas National Education Association (KNEA) for FY 2017. In compliance with state law concerning negotiations with represented employee groups, PSU and KNEA met and conferred, and have reached agreement on proposed amendments to the Agreement. The two proposed changes to the existing three-year Agreement are to the Salaries and Duration articles in accordance with the limited annual automatic opener. The increase will total an additional expense of \$152,700 for the next fiscal year and will be funded using tuition revenue. Board staff has reviewed the proposed amendments for compliance with Board policy as well as state and federal law. Staff recommends approval of the Amendments and granting the Chair authority to execute the amendments to the Agreement.

Background

The Public Employer-Employee Relations Act (PEERA) (pursuant to which state agencies are required to meet and confer with their employees’ recognized bargaining units over terms and conditions of employment) first took effect in 1972.¹ In 1974, the Kansas Public Employee Relations Board (PERB) certified the Kansas National Education Association (KNEA) as the exclusive representative under the PEERA, for the purpose of meeting and conferring on behalf of faculty at Pittsburg State University (PSU). In 1983, the Kansas Supreme Court held that the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) is the appropriate governing body for purposes of PEERA and therefore the Board itself “must approve any proposed agreement in order to make it binding and effective.”² Thus, for many years, KBOR has performed the role of approving agreements that are negotiated between the University and the certified faculty representative, after the meet and confer process has been completed.

In 2014, PSU and PSU/KNEA reached a three-year Memorandum of Agreement (Agreement) that concludes at the end of Fiscal Year 2017. The Agreement provides for an automatic opener each year for salary only. As provided for in the Agreement and as required by the PEERA, PSU and PSU/KNEA have now completed the meet and confer process over the salary and duration articles of the agreement and offer the below agreed-to amendments to KBOR for consideration and approval. The key change to the existing three-year Agreement is a \$400 one-time payment to each unit member who is benefits-eligible as of August 2016. The \$400 will not become part of the members’ base salary in future years, and will cost \$100,800, to be financed by tuition revenue.

NEGOTIATED AMENDMENTS TO THE PSU/KNEA AND PSU/KBOR AGREEMENT³

“IV. SALARIES [page 4 of the amended Agreement]

“A. FY ~~2016~~ 2017

“For the ~~2015-2016~~ 2016-2017 academic year, it is agreed by and between the parties that those faculty salary funds for faculty included in the Meet and Confer Unit ("Unit") shall be divided in the following proportions:

¹ *Kansas Board of Regents and Pittsburg State University v. Pittsburg State University Chapter of KNEA and PERB*, 233 Kan. 801, 812 (1983).

² *Id.*

³ Actual language copied directly from the Amendments to the Agreement; Section IV.B is unchanged and has been omitted solely for space considerations.

Base Salary Total	\$14,965,344	<u>\$16,714,676⁴</u>
Sum of Adjustments ⁵	\$316,801	<u>\$152,700</u>
Merit Increment Total	0	
Grievance Fund	0	
 TOTAL	 \$15,282,145	 <u>\$16,867,376</u>
 Summer Session 2016 <u>2017</u>	 \$1,233,763	

“XXVII. DURATION [page 76 of the amended Agreement]

“Sections IV.A. and IV.B. of this Agreement shall be effective from July 1, ~~2015~~ 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017. All remaining portions of this Agreement shall be effective from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.

“If this Agreement contains any unlawful provisions, those provisions shall be deemed to be of no effect and stricken from this Agreement without affecting the binding force of the Agreement as it shall remain after omitting such provisions.”

Conclusion and Recommendation

Pittsburg State University requests that the Board approve the amendments to the Agreement reached through meet and confer processes. Board staff have reviewed the amendments, determined that they are consistent with Board Policy and do not violate state or federal laws. Staff therefore recommends that the Board approve the amendments and authorize the Chair to execute the Amended Agreement on behalf of the Board.

⁴ The information that is stricken reflects the numbers from the prior fiscal year. These numbers reflect last year's salary increase (previously approved by KBOR) which was not given to PSU employees until October 2016. The only new amount for which KBOR approval is sought is the \$152,700.

⁵ Of this amount, \$46,500 shall be used to fund promotions, plus \$5,400 to fund merit increases, and \$100,800 shall be distributed in the form of a \$400 one-time (non-base) payment to each unit member who was a benefits eligible employee in Fiscal Year 2017 commencing in August 2016.

C. Retirement Plan

1. Appoint Member to Retirement Plan Committee

Madi Vannaman,
Staff Affiliate

Summary and Staff Recommendation

To fulfill the Board’s fiduciary responsibility for oversight of its Mandatory Retirement Plan, appropriate management and periodic review of the investment options provided under the Plan are required. In order to better provide such oversight, in July 2005, the Board delegated responsibility for plan administration and investment oversight to the Board-created “Retirement Plan Committee” (RPC) and established the composition of and membership for that Committee. Staff recommends the appointment of a new RPC member, the Council of Presidents’ recommendation to appoint President Garrett to serve as their representative who will serve the remainder of the three-year term of the position held by President Martin.

Background on the Kansas Board of Regents Retirement Plans

The Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) Retirement Plan is an essential component of the benefits and compensation package available to faculty and certain staff who serve at the six state universities and the Board office. The KBOR Plan has four components: (1) a mandatory 403(b) retirement plan; (2) a voluntary 403(b) retirement plan; (3) a long term disability plan; and (4) a phased retirement plan. This issue paper addresses the Board’s oversight of the Mandatory Retirement Plan and the composition of the Board-created Retirement Plan Committee (RPC).

Background on Mandatory Retirement Plan

In 1962 the Legislature authorized the Board to establish a Mandatory Retirement Plan under Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b) in order to provide retirement income for faculty and unclassified employees at the state universities and Board staff. The creation of the KBOR Mandatory Plan allowed eligible employees an alternative to KPERS, which was also established in 1962.

Then, as now, the KBOR retirement plan is an essential tool used to attract and retain quality faculty and unclassified employees to the state universities and to the Board office. With features such as portability and immediate vesting, the KBOR Plan has aspects that differ from KPERS and are more suitable in the competitive environment of higher education.

Each participating employee is required to contribute a percentage of their compensation to the Mandatory Plan (currently 5.5%). The employer, a State university or the Board office, is required to contribute an additional percentage to the Mandatory Plan (currently 8.5%). Thus, participating employees have a total of 14% of their compensation directed as pretax contributions to their retirement.

As of December 31, 2016, the total value of the retirement funds in the Mandatory Plan (with the two Board approved investment providers, TIAA and Voya) was \$3.378billion dollars.

Retirement Plan Committee and Appointments In June 2005, the Board created the RPC and appointed its first members.⁶ By Board policy, the RPC is composed of representatives from the Board itself, the Council of Presidents (COPs), the Council of Business Officers (COBO) and the Advisory Committee on Retirement and Benefits (ACORB). Subject matter experts from the campuses provide additional expertise. The RPC’s assigned duties include oversight of the Mandatory Retirement Plan, including its administration and its investments, as well as the responsibility for creating and reviewing plan documents and investment provider agreements, implementing an investment policy with performance standards, and reviewing the investment performance on a semi-annual basis. In 2012, after a competitive bid process, Segal Rogerscasey was awarded a contract in order

⁶ See Board Policy Manual Section I.A.4.a.iii.

to provide the RPC with consulting services regarding the oversight and performance of investment options and in 2015 the Board approved a five-year extension of that consulting contract.

In accordance with Board policy, the RPC is comprised of ten individuals, with nine voting members, eight of whom represent the universities. Members are appointed to serve staggered three year terms. The RPC is currently chaired by Regent Brandau-Murguia, and Regent Bangerter also participates.

In May 2016, the Board appointed President Mirta Martin, Fort Hays State University, who had been nominated by COPs to represent that body on the RPC. At their December 2016 meeting, COPs nominated President Allison Garrett to serve as its representative on the RPC.

Staff recommends that the Board appoint President Garrett to the RPC to serve out the term, through June 30, 2019, of the position last held by President Martin.

D. Other Matters

1. Act on Recommended Kansas Board of Regents Student Health Insurance Benefit and Premium Rates for Plan Year 2017-2018

Madi Vannaman,
Staff Affiliate

Summary and Staff Recommendation

Under authorization granted by K.S.A. 75-4101, the Board of Regents has provided health insurance plans for eligible students attending a state educational institution. The plans are currently offered through MHECare and are underwritten by UnitedHealthcare – Student Resources. The Board’s Student Insurance Advisory Committee, the Council of Business Officers and the Council of Presidents have received and reviewed the benefit/rate proposal for Plan Year 17-18. The metallic bending required under the Affordable Care Act no longer applies, so all essential health benefits required in Kansas will be covered. The annual student only premium increase is 5.17% or \$72. The Committee recommends accepting the changes. The Councils and staff support this recommendation.

Background

During the 2006 Session, the Kansas Legislature enacted K.S.A. 75-4101 authorizing the Board of Regents to enter into group health insurance contracts to provide voluntary health and accident insurance coverage for students attending state universities and such students’ dependents. Previously, health insurance coverage for student employees was offered through the Kansas State Employees Health Care Commission.

In February 2007, the Board approved the recommendation of Board staff, the Council of Presidents (COPs) and the Council of Business Officers (COBO) to select UnitedHealthcare-Student Resources (UHC-SR) as the provider for the KBOR student health insurance plan.

In February 2012, the Board approved the recommendation of Board staff, COPs and COBO to move away from a stand-alone plan and enter into a consortium contract with MHECare. In addition to retaining the same insurance underwriter, the MHECare plan offered several advantages to students and to the KBOR plan including compliance with federal health care reform regulations, enhanced benefits, participation in a contingency arrangement for premiums, being part of a larger insurance group umbrella (which helps to stabilize rates and spread risk), and an improved target loss ratio. Mercer is the consulting firm that MHECare utilizes to ensure the plan design meets federal and state requirements, to perform analysis of utilization and to negotiate premium renewals.

Student Insurance Advisory Committee

The Student Insurance Advisory Committee (SIAC), created in 2007, serves in an advisory capacity to COBO for the student insurance plan. Each of the six state universities, as well as KUMC, has its own university advisory subcommittee and the chair of each of those subcommittees sits on the SIAC. Two student representatives, nominated by the Student Advisory Council, also sit on the SIAC, which is chaired by a member of COBO.

The SIAC has received proposed premium information from MHECare/UHC-SR for Plan Year 17-18. The blended trend of 9% for medical, prescription drugs and student health centers was used in the calculation as well as the improved target loss ratio of 77.95% (compared to the prior year of 74.99%), which had a favorable impact on the renewal. Fees and taxes under the Affordable Care Act provisions were reduced by about half due to the sunset of the required transitional reinsurance fee.

The Plan Year 17-18 annual, student only, premium will be \$1,464 which is a 5.17 % (\$72) increase from the prior plan year. Mercer, the KBOR student health plan’s consultant, offered the following assessment: “The proposed rate increase is lower than trend and is not unreasonable given no rate increases in the past 2 years. KBOR may want to consider some benefit changes to mitigate the \$72.00 annual increase to students.”

The SIAC does not recommend any such changes to the plan’s benefits at this time and will, in the future, review any changes required pursuant to federal law, as well as deductibles, coinsurances and any ability to place caps on or remove benefits (to address high utilization or over usage), but leaving the basic plan structure the same.

The state universities make a 75% contribution toward the semester premium for any qualifying graduate teaching, graduate research or graduate assistant who enrolls in the plan. An estimate of the universities’ per graduate student annual premium for Plan Year 17-18 will be \$1,097 (an increase of \$53 per student from the prior plan year). Based on graduate assistant enrollment in the plan as of November 2016 of 2,317 students, the projected annual premium paid by the universities could be \$2,541,749, or an increase of \$122,801, using the same enrollment number.

KBOR Student Insurance - PY 16/17 and PY 17/18				
<i>Group rates (w/student rate included in all categories)</i>	2016/17	2017/18	Annual Rate Change	
Student	\$ 1,392	\$ 1,464	\$ 72	5.17%
Student + Spouse	\$ 2,784	\$ 2,928	\$ 144	5.17%
Student + One Child	\$ 2,784	\$ 2,928	\$ 144	5.17%
Student + 2 or more Children	\$ 4,176	\$ 4,392	\$ 216	5.17%
Student + Spouse + One Child	\$ 4,176	\$ 4,392	\$ 216	5.17%
Student + Spouse + 2 or more Children	\$ 5,568	\$ 5,856	\$ 288	5.17%

Recommendation

The Plan Year 17-18 recommendation was presented to COBO at their January 11, 2017 meeting, and to COPs at their meeting today. The SIAC wanted the item to be on the Board’s January agenda so that, if the changes are approved, UHC-SR can start updating information in order to make it available to students and families as soon as possible. The Student Insurance Advisory Committee recommends accepting the proposed Plan Year 17-18 plan modifications and premium rates. The Councils and staff support the recommendation.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

V. Consideration of Discussion Agenda

A. Presentation

1. Receive Annual *Foresight 2020* Progress Report

**Blake Flanders,
President and CEO**

Summary

After a year and a half of study, the Board approved a strategic agenda for Kansas higher education in September of 2010. In January of 2012, the first annual report was given and later that year the Board made some revisions to the goals and identified some specific metrics to be used in assessing progress. Additional modifications were made in 2015 and 2016. In this sixth annual progress report, the Board will find multiple years of data on selected metrics, including targeted attainment goals for each institution in order to better operationalize the state's systemwide attainment goal. The published report should be consumed in conjunction with our website, where one can review additional data on individual institutions for many of the metrics outlined.

B. *Fiscal Affairs & Audit*

1. Approve Distribution of State Funds for Technical Education (SB 155 and AO-K Proviso) and Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentive Fund (GED Accelerator)

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**Elaine Frisbie
VP, Finance & Administration**

Summary and Recommendation

Senate Bill 155 became law in FY 2013 (KSA 72-4489), providing state financed college tuition for high school students in postsecondary technical education courses and incentives to school districts for students earning industry-recognized credentials in high-demand occupations. For FY 2017, the Board of Regents has available \$59,072 for the incentives to school districts, \$20.25 million for high school students’ postsecondary tiered technical course tuition, and at least \$500,000 for tuition for adults without a high school diploma or GED who are enrolled in tiered technical courses in designated Accelerating Opportunity: Kansas (AO-K) approved pathways. Funding for the tuition portion is distributed twice a year based on actual student enrollments submitted to the Kansas Higher Education Data System by the institutions. The proposed distribution amounts presented were calculated based on current FY 2017 enrollments (summer and fall enrollments as of November 10, 2016). The second and final disbursement will be presented in June.

The Board of Regents also has funds available for the Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentives Fund (known as the GED Accelerator initiative). This fund provides incentives to eligible institutions—community colleges, technical colleges and Washburn Institute of Technology—for adults seeking and earning a GED/high school equivalency diploma and/or an identified industry credential while enrolled in an eligible postsecondary technical education program. Eligible institutions can receive \$170 for each adult enrolled in a postsecondary technical program while pursuing a GED/high school equivalency diploma (\$150 of which must be used for the GED/high school equivalency tests), \$500 for each adult earning a GED/high school equivalency diploma, and \$1,000 for each adult earning an identified industry credential while enrolled in an eligible postsecondary technical education program. Funding for these incentives is also distributed relying on data submitted to the system by the institutions. Board staff recommends approval of these distributions.

Background

The Excel in Career Technical Education program provides state financed college tuition for high school students in tiered postsecondary technical education courses and incentives to school districts for students earning identified industry-recognized credentials in high-demand occupations. Calculated tuition costs, credential incentives and available appropriations are detailed on the tables on the following pages:

SB 155-Excel in Career Technical Education Initiative

FY 2013	Amount Available	Amount Expended
Secondary Student Tuition	11,750,000	12,018,419
Credential Incentives	1,500,000	694,168
Total	\$13,250,000	\$12,712,587
FY 2014		
Secondary Student Tuition	18,035,000	16,969,784
Credential Incentives	1,500,000	1,419,190
Total	\$19,535,000	\$18,388,974
FY 2015		
Secondary Student Tuition	23,100,000	22,128,899
AO-K Adult Tuition	500,000	532,635

Credential Incentives	750,000	750,000
Total	\$24,850,000	\$23,411,534
FY 2016		
Secondary Student Tuition	20,250,000	20,127,423
AO-K Adult Tuition	500,000	622,577
Credential Incentives	50,000	50,000
Total	\$20,800,000	\$20,800,000
FY 2017		
Secondary Student Tuition	20,250,000	12,314,378
AO-K Adult Tuition ¹	500,000	375,800
Credential Incentives	59,072	--
Total	\$20,809,072	\$12,690,178

¹ The Legislature requires expenditures of at least \$500,000 for the AO-K Adult Tuition program; any amount over that comes from the secondary student tuition line-item.

GED Accelerator

FY 2017	Amount Available	1 st Distribution
	\$1,660,018	\$82,510

Recommendation

Staff have reviewed the information submitted by the institutions and recommends approval.

Institution	SB 155	AOK Proviso Adult Tuition	GED Accelerator
Allen Community College	\$269,673	--	--
Barton Community College	\$192,219	\$93,833	\$6,670
Butler Community College	\$337,895	--	--
Cloud County Community College	\$109,788	--	--
Coffeyville Community College	\$444,335	--	--
Colby Community College	\$63,641	--	--
Cowley Community College	\$259,308	--	--
Dodge City Community College	\$216,325	\$7,482	\$3,340
Flint Hills Technical College	\$622,860	--	--
Fort Scott Community College	\$539,564	\$9,946	\$15,020
Garden City Community College	\$59,177	\$1,399	\$840
Highland Community College	\$529,679	\$21,368	--
Hutchinson Community College	\$1,439,361	\$18,557	\$2,020
Independence Community College	\$72,876	--	--
Johnson County Community College	\$877,824	\$11,951	\$9,010
Kansas City Kansas Community College	\$720,835	--	--
Labette Community College	\$110,039	--	--
Manhattan Area Technical College	\$147,318	--	--
Neosho County Community College	\$473,447	\$11,286	\$8,020
North Central Kansas Technical College	\$156,224	--	--
Northwest Kansas Technical College	\$430,622	--	--
Pratt Community College	\$124,525	--	--
Salina Area Technical College	\$438,437	\$21,000	\$7,680
Seward County Community College/ATS	\$481,747	\$10,143	\$3,350
Washburn Institute of Technology	\$1,763,545	\$137,040	\$23,550
Wichita Area Technical College	\$1,433,114	\$31,795	\$3,010
Total	\$12,314,378	\$375,800	\$82,510

2. Receive Report on Inventory of Physical Facilities and Space Utilization

**Nelda Henning,
Director of Facilities**

Background

The report “Inventory of Physical Facilities and Space Utilization – Fall 2016” will be presented to the Board on January 18. This report is prepared every two years in adherence with K.S.A. 76-7,103 and includes building information related to area and replacement costs, age, room usage, and utilization of classrooms and laboratories. By statute, the report is submitted to the Governor, Joint Committee on State Building Construction, the Senate Committee on Ways & Means and the House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations.

3. Receive Report on State University Deferred and Annual Maintenance

Background

The report “State University Deferred and Annual Maintenance – Fall 2016” will be presented to the Board on January 18. This report is prepared every two years in adherence with K.S.A. 76-7,103 and provides an overview of the maintenance needs based on audits performed on all buildings and infrastructure at each state educational institution. By statute, the report is submitted to the Governor, Joint Committee on State Building Construction, the Senate Committee on Ways & Means and the House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations.

4. Adopt Resolution Approving the Issuance by the Kansas Development Finance Authority of Energy Conservation Revenue Bonds and Approve the Execution of Various Other Documents in Connection Therewith – KSU

**Julene Miller,
General Counsel**

Summary and Staff Recommendations

Kansas State University requests authorization to proceed with an energy performance contract with Energy Solutions Professionals (ESP) that will result in the implementation of the projects detailed herein that total \$2,848,354. The University also requests authorization to issue bonds (or other debt) to finance the energy savings and the costs of debt issuance. The debt will be issued through the Kansas Development Finance Authority and will be a general credit of the University secured with the energy savings from the projects.

As of June 2016, the University and its affiliated corporations had approximately \$506 M in outstanding revenue bonds. The University has identified a specific revenue source to pay the debt service on all outstanding bonds, and \$367 M of the \$506 M is also supported by a pledge of generally available unencumbered funds of the University.

Staff recommends approval.

Background

Kansas State University Polytechnic engaged Energy Solutions Professionals (ESP) to conduct an Investment Grade Energy Audit of the campus. The audit is complete and has been reviewed by KCC-Facility Conservation Improvement Program personnel. The University is now ready to proceed with the energy performance contract and financing for the project described below.

The project will include such energy conservation and facility improvement measures as lighting retrofit to LED technology, water conservation, building infiltration improvements, expansion and additions to energy management control system, destratification fans, communicating programmable thermostats, a photovoltaic solar array, replace chiller, boilers and converting constant volume air-handling units to variable volume in Tech Center East, replace boilers and chillers in Harbin and Schilling Halls, replace the HVAC system in Tech Center West with a variable refrigerant flow system and implement a campus-wide energy conservation training program.

Energy Solutions Professionals will guarantee the amount of energy savings attributable to the implementation of the agreed measures. Kansas State University will work in collaboration with KDFA and ESP to determine the most cost-effective long-term financing, which is not expected to exceed 15 years. Preliminary financial information provided for a simple payback on the total project at 11.8 years, financing based on a rate estimate of 2.7%, results in a 15-year financing term.

Project Summary

Energy Savings Project	GMAX* Construction Cost
Energy Saving/Facility Improvement Measures	
Lighting improvements-LED retrofit	\$319,524
Water efficiency improvements (includes irrigation savings)	\$23,814
Building infiltration improvements	\$25,029
EMS expansion/addition	\$460,293
Wi-Fi programmable thermostats	\$3,258
Deferred maintenance HVAC/MEP measures	\$1,027,983
Renewable energy measures (photovoltaic solar power)	\$97,973
Energy conservation/behavioral training	\$39,664

Project contingency	\$58,700
Asbestos abatement allowance Tech West AHUs and disconnect piping only	\$29,000
Payment and performance bond	\$57,344
Project Total	\$2,142,582

ESCO and FCIP professional service costs/fees	
Energy and design engineering, system commissioning, training/O&M manuals, permitting, construction management (full-time on-site), project management, measurement and verification, construction period interest/carry-cost, overhead and profit (NOTE: This represents a 15.8% discount off ESP’s Standard FCIP pricing, which is lowest in program)	\$643,203
Investment grade audit fee	\$19,169
Facility conservation improvement program fee	\$43,400
Total project cost/net financed amount	\$2,848,354
Projected total annual savings (Year 1)	\$241,139
Simple payback (in years)	11.81
Projected financing term (based on 2.717% rate)	15.00

*Guaranteed Maximum Construction Cost

As of June 2016, the University and its affiliated corporations had approximately \$506 M in outstanding revenue bonds. The University has identified a specific revenue source to pay the debt service on all outstanding bonds, and \$367 M of the \$506 M is also supported by a pledge of generally available unencumbered funds of the University.

If the Board authorizes K-State to proceed with the energy performance contract outlined above, the University requests that the Board adopt a Resolution approving the issuance of bonds by the Kansas Development Finance Authority to finance the projects. The Resolution is set forth in full below

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE KANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ITS KANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS (KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY ENERGY CONSERVATION PROJECT) TO PROVIDE ALL OR A PORTION OF THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES ON THE SALINA POLYTECHNIC CAMPUS OF KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PLEDGE OF REVENUES AGREEMENT BETWEEN KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE KANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY THAT CONTAINS CERTAIN COVENANTS AND PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PLEDGE OF CERTAIN FUNDS OF THE UNIVERSITY THAT WILL PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF, SECURITY AND PAYMENT OF SUCH BONDS.

WHEREAS, the Kansas Board of Regents (the "Board") is vested under the Constitution and laws of the State of Kansas with supervision and control over Kansas State University (the "University"), and is authorized under such laws to adopt this Resolution and perform, execute and carry out, or cause to be performed, executed and carried

out, the powers, duties and obligations of the Board under this Resolution in connection with the implementation of energy conservation measures to be located on the Salina Polytechnic Campus of the University; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-37,125, the Kansas Corporation Commission (the "KCC") has the authority to approve energy conservation measures for various public entities, including the University; and

WHEREAS, the University is negotiating a contract with Energy Solutions Professionals, LLC that provides for the installation of energy conservation measures on the Salina Polytechnic Campus of the University at an estimated cost of \$2,900,000 (the "Project"), and will submit the contract to the KCC for approval in accordance with K.S.A. 75-37,125; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 74-8960 authorizes the Kansas Development Finance Authority (the "Authority"), on behalf of the University, to issue its revenue bonds (as defined in K.S.A. 74-8901 et seq. to include all evidences of indebtedness) in amounts not in excess of the amounts approved for the Project by the KCC, plus all amounts required for costs of issuance, costs of interest on such revenue bonds during the construction of the Project and any required reserves for the payment of principal and interest on such revenue bonds (the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the Board, upon recommendation of the University, hereby finds and determines that it is advisable that the Bonds be issued by the Authority on behalf of the University pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8901 et seq. for the purpose of financing the Project and related costs as hereinbefore set forth; and

WHEREAS, prior to the issuance of the Bonds, the Authority will receive from the Secretary of Administration a request to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of financing the Project and paying related interest, costs and reserves on behalf of the University; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the issuance of the Bonds, the University will be required to execute a Pledge of Revenues Agreement between the University and the Authority (the "Pledge Agreement"), which contains certain covenants and provisions with respect to the pledge of generally available unencumbered funds of the University, which will secure and provide for the payment of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the Authority has and will incur additional expenses in relation to the issuance of the Bonds and subsequent administration and enforcement of the Pledge Agreement, and the University desires to reimburse the Authority for said additional expenses through the execution of an Administrative Service Fee Agreement (the "Administrative Agreement").

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Board hereby approves the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority on behalf of the University to finance all or a portion of the costs of the Project, in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the limitations hereinbefore set forth. The Bonds may be issued jointly with other revenue bonds for the University and shall be issued substantially in the form and with the repayment terms and provisions contained in the information presented to the Board by the Authority and the University.

SECTION 2. The Board hereby authorizes the President of the University to execute on behalf of the University the Pledge Agreement, the Administrative Agreement and such other documents and certificates necessary to accomplish the purposes set forth in this Resolution and the issuance of the Bonds, in such forms as are approved by the General Counsel to the University. The Board hereby further authorizes and instructs the Chair and President and CEO of the Board to execute on behalf of the Board such documents and certificates necessary to accomplish the purposes set forth in this Resolution and the issuance of the Bonds, in such forms as are approved by the General Counsel to the Board.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

CERTIFICATE

We, the undersigned Chair and President and CEO of the Kansas Board of Regents (the "Board"), hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was lawfully adopted by the Board at its meeting held on January __, 2017.

KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS

(SEAL)

By _____

Zoe F. Newton, Chair

ATTEST:

By _____

Blake Flanders, Ph.D., President and CEO

C. Governance

Regent Feuerborn

1. Act on Proposed Amendments to the Board
Weapons Possession Policy

Julene Miller,
General Counsel

Summary and Recommendation

During its review and discussion of the state university concealed carry policies, the Governance Committee determined that the Board’s policy should be amended in two ways: To allow the universities to permit storage of lawful concealed carry handguns in additional secure places, and to allow possession of stun guns for self-defense purposes while prohibiting the more dangerous Taser-like weapons. The Governance Committee has reviewed the proposed policy amendments and recommends them for adoption.

Background

The Legislature enacted the Personal and Family Protection Act, K.S.A. 75-7c01 *et seq.* in 2006. As originally enacted, the law prohibited concealed carry licensees from carrying a concealed weapon into certain listed places, including any “community college, college or university facility,” L.2006, Ch. 32, Sec. 10(a)(14).⁷ Subsequently, in 2007, the Legislature replaced this specific prohibition with a requirement that the listed places post signs at all entrances to all buildings where concealed carry was to be prohibited in order to maintain the prohibition, L.2007, Ch. 166, Sec. 5(a).⁸ In 2013, the Legislature enacted K.S.A. 75-7c20, requiring the Board to adopt a Resolution to continue the status quo exemption for state university buildings and placing a four year limit on that continued exemption. By law, the exemption expires July 1, 2017. Thus, as of that date, concealed carry can no longer be prohibited in a state university building unless adequate security measures (*i.e.* metal detectors and armed security) are placed on every public entrance to that building.

With the 2013 legislative amendments, the Board began a process of preparing for the July 1, 2017 exemption expiration. Discussions were held with state university administrators, and amendments were made to the Board’s weapons policy in January, 2016. Those amendments called for University policies to be developed and presented to the Board Governance Committee for review and approval. The Governance Committee spent most of its October and November meetings reviewing the policies and subsequently the policies were revised in accordance with Governance Committee recommendations to each university. While the Board policy does not require it, the Committee decided to send the university policies to the full Board for approval. The Board approved the university policies in December and they will be effective beginning July 1, 2017.

Summary of Board Policy Amendments

During its review and discussion of the state university concealed carry policies, the Governance Committee determined that the Board’s policy should be amended in two ways to accommodate provisions in some or all of the university policies. The first proposed change would allow the universities to permit storage of lawfully possessed concealed carry handguns in additional secure places in order to help alleviate individuals having to run to their car or residence each time they move from an area where concealed carry is allowed to an area where concealed carry is prohibited. The other proposed change is to allow possession of stun guns for self-defense purposes while prohibiting the more dangerous Taser-like weapons.

Recommendation

These two Board policy amendments, shown in full below, are now ready for Board consideration. The Governance Committee recommends approval.

⁷ Additionally, both public and private employers were authorized to restrict or prohibit employees who were licensed to carry a concealed weapon from carrying that firearm while on the premises of the employer’s business, L.2006, Ch. 32, Sec. 11(a)(1).

⁸ The statutes were also amended to specifically preclude employers from prohibiting possession of a firearm in a private means of conveyance, even if parked on the employer’s premises. L.2007, Ch. 166, Sec. 6(a)(1)

Board Policy Amendments

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14 WEAPONS POSSESSION

- a Pursuant to the authority vested in the Board of Regents by Article 6, Section 2 of the Kansas Constitution, K.S.A. 76-712 and other state laws, and in accordance with K.S.A. 75-7c20 allowing concealed carry and K.S.A. 75-7c24 authorizing prohibition of open carry, concealed carry of handguns shall be permitted on each state university campus, while open carry of firearms and possession of weapons other than concealed handguns shall be prohibited on each state university campus.
- b For purposes of this policy:
 - i The term “weapons” includes:
 - (1) Any object or device which will, is designed to, or may be readily converted to expel bullet, shot or shell by the action of an explosive or other propellant;
 - (2) any handgun, pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun or other firearm of any nature, including those that are concealed or openly carried;
 - (3) any BB gun, pellet gun, air/C’O2 gun, ~~stun gun or blow gun, or any device, such as a Taser, which is designed to discharge electric darts or other similar projectiles; however, personal self-defense stun guns that do not fit within the preceding definition shall not be deemed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;~~
 - (4) any explosive, incendiary or poison gas (A) bomb, (B) mine, (C) grenade, (D) rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, or (E) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than ¼ ounce;
 - (5) any incendiary or explosive material, liquid, solid or mixture equipped with a fuse, wick or other detonating device;
 - (6) any tear gas bomb or smoke bomb; however, personal self-defense items containing mace or pepper spray shall not be deemed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;
 - (7) any knife, commonly referred to as a switch-blade, which has a blade that opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring or other device in the handle of the knife, or any knife having a blade that opens or falls or is ejected into position by the force of gravity or by an outward, downward or centrifugal thrust or movement;
 - (8) any straight-blade knife of four inches or more such as a dagger, dirk, dangerous knife or stiletto; except that an ordinary pocket knife or culinary knife designed for and used solely in the preparation or service of food shall not be construed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;

- (9) any martial arts weapon such as nunchucks or throwing stars;
 - (10) any longbow, crossbow and arrows or other projectile that could cause serious harm to any person; or
 - (11) any other dangerous or deadly weapon or instrument of like character.
- ii The term “handgun” means:
 - (1) A pistol or revolver which is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand and which is designed to fire or capable of firing fixed cartridge ammunition; or
 - (2) any other weapon which will or is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive and which is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand.
 - iii The term “firearm” includes any handgun, rifle, shotgun, and any other weapon which will or is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive.
 - iv The term “adequate security measures” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined in K.S.A. 75-7c20, and “building” shall have the same meaning as the term “state building” is defined in K.S.A. 75-7c20.
 - v The term “campus” means any building or grounds owned by a state university or the Board and any building or grounds leased by a state university or the Board for state university use.
- c Nothing in this policy shall be read to prohibit possession of weapons on campus (1) as necessary for the conduct of Board approved academic programs or university approved activities or practices, or (2) by university police or security officers while acting within the scope of their employment. Each university shall develop and follow policies and procedures for the safe possession, use and storage of such weapons and shall notify the Board in writing of any activities or practices involving weapons that are approved by the university under subparagraph c(1).
 - d Beginning July 1, 2017, any individual who is 21 years of age or older and who is lawfully eligible to carry a concealed handgun in Kansas shall not be precluded from doing so on state university campuses except in buildings and areas of buildings for which adequate security measures are provided, and except as otherwise prohibited by law.
 - i Each individual who lawfully possesses a handgun on any state university campus shall be wholly and solely responsible for carrying, storing and using that handgun in a safe manner and in accordance with the law, Board policy and university policy. Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted to require individuals who lawfully possess a handgun to use it in defense of others.
 - ii Each university shall develop and follow policies and procedures for the safe possession and storage of lawfully possessed handguns, and shall submit such policies and procedures to the Board office for review and approval by the Board Governance Committee prior to publication or implementation. Each university’s policies and procedures shall include detailed provisions regarding how and where to report suspected violations of this policy, how faculty, staff and students shall be notified of the laws and policies pertaining to concealed carry on campus, and shall also provide interested students, faculty and staff with information about any known locally or regionally available firearm safety instruction.

- e Open carry of any firearm anywhere on any campus shall be prohibited. Each entrance to each building and facility on each campus shall be conspicuously posted with appropriate signs indicating that openly carrying a firearm into that building or facility is prohibited. Additional signs may be posted as appropriate.
- f Except in those instances where necessary for self-defense or transferring to safe storage and except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs c(1) and c(2), it shall be a violation of Board policy to openly display any lawfully possessed concealed carry handgun while on campus.
- g Regardless whether the individual is otherwise lawfully eligible to carry a concealed handgun, it shall be a violation of Board policy to commit any of the following offenses on a university campus:
 - i Possess a firearm under the influence of alcohol or drugs, as defined by K.S.A. 21-6332, and amendments thereto;
 - ii discharge a firearm in violation of K.S.A. 21-6308, and amendments thereto;
 - iii discharge a firearm within or into the corporate limits of any city in violation of K.S.A. 21-6308a; or
 - iv otherwise possess, store, transport, trade, sell, or in any other way use a firearm in violation of any applicable law.
- h Beginning July 1, 2017, each individual who lawfully possesses a concealed handgun on campus shall at all times have that handgun in their custody and control, and shall either keep it on their person with safety mechanism, if any, engaged, or stored 1) in any secure storage location provided by or authorized by the university specifically for that purpose, 2) at their residence, or 3) in their vehicle. If stored in a location provided or authorized by the university specifically for that purpose, the handgun must be secured, concealed from view, and in a location that can be accessed only by the individual and the university. If stored in a vehicle on campus, the handgun must be secured and concealed from view. For any dormitory or scholarship hall that does not have adequate security measures, each resident who lawfully possesses a handgun on campus and elects to store the handgun they possess in the room to which they are assigned when not carrying it on their person in a concealed fashion shall secure the handgun in a secure storage device that conceals the gun from view. Such storage devices shall be provided by the individual who possesses the handgun and must meet minimum industry standards for safe-keeping of handguns.
- i Beginning July 1, 2017, each state university shall determine whether and to what extent otherwise lawfully possessed concealed handguns will be prohibited in any campus buildings or areas of buildings by provision of adequate security measures, permanent or temporary, at each public entrance to the building or area. Each entrance to each building where concealed carry is prohibited as provided in this paragraph shall be conspicuously posted with appropriate signs indicating that carrying a concealed handgun into that building is prohibited. Additional signs may be posted as appropriate. Each state university that prohibits concealed carry pursuant to this paragraph shall submit to the Board office for review and approval by the Board Governance Committee a list of the buildings and areas of buildings so restricted, the rationale therefor, and a description of the adequate security measures to be provided.

- i The list shall be provided at the time such buildings and areas are first identified as requiring adequate security and, as buildings or areas of buildings are added to the list, at the time so amended. Once the Governance Committee has approved a building or area for provision of adequate security measures, re-approval of that building or area is not required.
- ii Because safety and security considerations may warrant a university implementing adequate security measures on an as-needed, temporary basis that are intended to address a specific concern, each university shall include in its annual security report to the Board information regarding all instances in which adequate security measures were implemented on an as needed, temporary basis during the previous year and the reasons therefor.
- j Any individual who violates one or more provisions of this policy may be issued a lawful directive to leave campus with the weapon immediately. Any individual who violates the directive shall be considered to be in trespass and may be cited accordingly. Any employee or student of the university who violates one or more provisions of this policy shall be subject to discipline in accordance with applicable university codes of conduct. Any individual who violates state or federal law may be detained, arrested or otherwise subjected to lawful processes appropriate to the circumstances.
- k Notice of this policy shall be given in each state university's weapons policy and housing contracts. To the extent adequate security measures are used to prohibit concealed carry into stadiums, arenas and other large venues that require tickets for admission, the tickets shall state that concealed carry will be prohibited at that event.

D. *Other Matters*

- 1. Receive Update on the Kansas Independent Colleges** **Matt Lindsey,
President, KS Independent
College Association**

Summary

The Kansas Board of Regents has had a long-standing collaborative relationship with the Kansas Independent College Association. Matt Lindsey, president of KICA, will give the Board an update on progress being made at the 18 Kansas independent colleges and universities.

- 2. Receive Update on Engineering Initiative** **Scott Smathers,
VP, Workforce Development**

Summary

The University Engineering Initiative Act (UEIA) [K.S.A. 74-8768(a)] was enacted and signed into law effective July 1, 2011. The Kansas Legislature appropriated \$1 million in 2011 for the purpose of expanding the state’s professional engineering training programs at Kansas State University, the University of Kansas and Wichita State University, to address needs for engineers in industries that were not being met with the current levels of graduating students. The appropriation was enhanced by a commitment of \$3.5M per year for ten years (with a 1:1 dollar match) for each of the three colleges of engineering to continue the expansion and produce a combined total of 1,365 engineering graduates per year by 2021. Results and progress of the UEIA are tracked using a “scorecard” and other metrics, and universities provide an annual report including metrics to the Department of Commerce in November of each year.

While the focus of the grant is to increase the number of engineering graduates (1,285 in 2016), additional information including data on enrollments, employment, etc. for engineering graduates is also provided and will be presented at the January board meeting.

- 3. Act on Request to Approve Granting of Honorary Degree at the University’s Spring 2017 Commencement – KU** **Chancellor Gray-Little**

Summary

Board policy provides authority for universities to award “honorary degrees” under special circumstances as outlined in the policy. The University of Kansas will be recommending the awarding of honorary degrees at its Spring 2017 Commencement.

- 4. Act on Request to Approve Granting of Honorary Degree at the University’s Spring 2017 Commencement – KSU** **President Myers**

Summary

Board policy provides authority for universities to award “honorary degrees” under special circumstances as outlined in the policy. Kansas State University will be recommending the awarding of honorary degrees at its Spring 2017 Commencement.

- 5. Act on Naming of Building – ESU** **Jennifer Denton,
Emporia State University
Associate VP for Advancement**

Summary

Emporia State University requests authorization to name the new University House. This facility will serve dual purposes: as an on-campus home to the ESU President and family and as an appropriate place for the President to build relationships with all constituencies, including overnight guests. The project will be fully funded by private gifts, including an endowment for perpetual renewal and replacement expenses. In accordance with ESU’s approved Campus Master Plan, the existing president’s residence at 1522 Highland Street will be razed and the University House will be sited appropriately on that parcel.

6. Act on Wichita Area Technical College and Wichita State University Affiliation Proposal **Matt Casey,
Director, Government Relations**

Summary

Last month the Board received a first read on a legislative proposal that would authorize Wichita Area Technical College and Wichita State University to affiliate and create a Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology. Below is revised legislative language.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL: Wichita Area Technical College and Wichita State University Affiliation

Request: Wichita State University requests approval from the Kansas Board of Regents to seek legislation that would allow the affiliation of Wichita Area Technical College (WATC) with Wichita State University (WSU), a structure recommended by the Kansas Technical College and Vocational School Commission and adopted by the Kansas Legislature in 2007. See K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 72-4479. This action will do three things: change the operational governance of WATC from Sedgwick County Government to Wichita State University (while maintaining governance of the University in the Board of Regents), change the name of WATC to Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology, and transition WATC employees from Sedgwick County employment to Wichita State University (state) employment.

Background: Wichita Area Technical College is the local technical college that provides certificate and technical skills education to the Wichita metropolitan area. Wichita State University and WATC have a long partnership through transfer and articulation agreements known as Shocker Pathways. In order to build on this previous initiative and increase educational opportunities for Kansans, WATC and WSU are requesting legislative authorization to affiliate the two entities and create a Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology, which will continue functioning as an independent technical college with unique federal status, but within the operational structure of WSU.

WSU and WATC initially sought to merge WATC into WSU to better serve the Kansas Economy from GED to advanced degrees. This merger would have required changes to funding statutes and common practices within the two-year college system. These particular changes were met with resistance, with many community colleges asking why funding for the two-year institutions should be shared with baccalaureate-level institutions.

After further review of the merger plan and after discussions with federal agencies, the regional accreditor and other interested parties, WATC and WSU have decided that a formal affiliation like that between Washburn and Washburn Tech would be the preferable structure. Similar to the Washburn structure, WATC would remain a separate legal entity, in WATC’s case a technical college that provides two-year associates degrees, keep a unique Federal Identification Number, most likely have a separate HLC accreditation process, apply for federal grants as a technical college, and receive state funds that are available to technical colleges. The only change would be the operational governance structure, as was also done with the Washburn University/Washburn Technical School affiliation.

Impact: Impact of this proposal would mean that WSU could assist WATC in developing new programs designed to meet the needs of industry through certificates and associates degrees. Any new four-year degrees and advanced degrees will be housed within WSU. WATC will remain a technical college and be designated the Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology and would be operationally governed by WSU, rather than Sedgwick County Technical Education Training Authority, for the purposes of establishing new programs. The WATC campus would not change current admissions requirements, and students on the WATC campus wishing to take classes offered outside the approved WATC curriculum would have to meet the admissions requirements currently in place for WSU. WATC and WSU believe this will allow more Kansans access to the GED to PhD continuum, ultimately growing the Kansas economy.

Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology students could also share in other benefits. These students would have access to Wichita State University student housing, could participate in WSU student affairs programs and attend athletic events through a student fee. This also allows WSU to further its vision and mission of applied learning and research, growing the Kansas economy, and improving the quality of life for Kansans.

Fiscal Note: The net fiscal effect of this proposal will be negligible.

Draft Bill Language:

AN ACT concerning postsecondary education; authorizing the affiliation and governance structure change of Wichita area technical college; amending K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 72-5445 and K.S.A. 74-4939, and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) The Wichita area technical college, authorized and designated as a technical college pursuant to K.S.A. 72-4472, and amendments thereto, with a governing board established pursuant to K.S.A. 72-4470a, and amendments thereto, hereby is affiliated with Wichita state university and the institutional infrastructure of the college hereby is officially designated as the Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology shall be governed by and operated as a technical college campus within Wichita state university.

(b) The governing board of the Wichita area technical college, established pursuant to K.S.A. 72-4470a, and amendments thereto, shall become the industry advisory board to the president of Wichita state university for the Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology, and all the powers and duties established in the governing board of any technical college by law shall be transferred to Wichita state university, subject to the rules and regulations and supervision of the board of regents. The president of Wichita state university shall appoint the members of the industry advisory board.

(c) The Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology shall offer programs that focus on critical areas of regional competitiveness, including credential and degree programs ranging from a high school equivalency credential to associate of applied science degrees. The industry advisory board shall review non-credit and credit programs with the president and senior leadership of the campus to ensure such programs are aligned with the current and emerging needs of industry for an educated and trained workforce, and shall provide input into changes in each advisory board member's industry sector that affect academic programs.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, persons who are admitted by Wichita state university into the campus of applied sciences and technology as degree-seeking students in career technical education courses or programs terminating with an associate of applied studies degree and persons admitted into the campus of applied sciences and technology as nondegree-seeking students in career technical education certificate programs shall not be subject to the admission requirements set forth in K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 76-717, and amendments thereto. Students admitted into the campus of applied sciences and technology who subsequently seek to transfer into another school within Wichita state university, or into a bachelor's, masters, doctorate, or non-technical associate degree program offered at Wichita state university, or into a non-technical certificate program offered at Wichita state university shall, at the time of such transfer, be subject to the admission requirements set forth in K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 76-717, and amendments thereto. Persons seeking a non-technical certificate, non-technical associate degree or any bachelor's, masters or doctorate degree shall be subject to the admission requirements set forth in K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 76-717, and amendments thereto.

(e) The Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology shall continue to be a technical college and shall be eligible for such funding as is available to technical colleges to the extent provided by law, the amounts to be determined in the same manner as provided by law for technical colleges.

(f) Whenever the Wichita area technical college, Wichita area vocational school, or the Wichita area vocational-technical school, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by any statute, contract or other document,

such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions of all statutes of general application to area vocational schools, area vocational-technical schools and technical colleges shall apply to the Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology. Whenever area vocational schools, area vocational-technical schools or technical colleges are defined, referred to or designated in a statute, such definition, referral or designation shall be deemed to apply to Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology.

(g) The affiliation effected by this section shall not affect any contract, agreement or assurance in effect on the effective date of this section.

(h) Subject to authorization by the state board of regents, all personnel of the Wichita area technical college, who are necessary, in the opinion of the president of Wichita state university, to the operation of the Wichita state university campus of applied sciences and technology, shall become personnel of Wichita state university. The employment of such personnel shall be deemed to have been uninterrupted.

(i) No suit, action or other proceeding, judicial or administrative, lawfully commenced, or which could have been commenced, by or against the Wichita area technical college, or by or against any personnel of the Wichita area technical college, shall abate by reason of the affiliation effected by this section. Any such suit, action or other proceeding may be allowed to be maintained by or against Wichita state university. No criminal action commenced or which could have been commenced by the Wichita area technical college shall abate by reason of the affiliation effected by this section.

(j) The provisions of this section shall be effective from and after the date on which the affiliation described in subsection (a) is approved by the higher learning commission of the north central association of colleges and schools.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 72-5445 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-5445 (a) The provisions of K.S.A. 72-5438 through 72-5443, and amendments thereto, apply only to: (1) Teachers who have completed not less than three consecutive years of employment, and been offered a fourth contract, in the technical college, institute of technology at Washburn university, *current Wichita area technical college faculty at the time of the affiliation with Wichita state university* or community college by which any such teacher is currently employed; and (2) teachers who have completed not less than two consecutive years of employment, and been offered a third contract, in the technical college, institute of technology at Washburn university, *current Wichita area technical college faculty at the time of the affiliation with Wichita state university* or community college by which any such teacher is currently employed if at any time prior to the current employment the teacher has completed the years of employment requirement of paragraph (1) of this subsection in any technical college, the institute of technology at Washburn university, *current Wichita area technical college faculty at the time of the affiliation with Wichita state university* or community college in this state.

(b) Any board may waive, at any time, the years of employment requirements of subsection (a)(1) for any teacher employed by it.

(c) The provisions of this subsection [section] are subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-5446, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 74-4939 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-4939. Employee and employer contributions; certification of employer rate and information. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4919 and 74-4920, and amendments thereto, shall apply to employee and employer contributions and obligations.

(2) The employer contribution rate for participating employers who are eligible employers as specified in subsections (1), (2) and (3) of K.S.A. 74-4931 and amendments thereto shall be as certified by the board. *This shall include Wichita area technical college employees currently participating after the affiliation with Wichita state university.* Participating employers shall certify to the state board of education before September 15 of each year the anticipated total compensation to be paid during the next fiscal year to employees who are or are to become members. The state board of education shall transmit the information necessary to the division of the budget and the governor who shall include in the budget and budget document each year thereafter provisions for the transfer from the state general fund of sufficient sums to satisfy the participating employer's obligation under

this act. The director of accounts and reports shall make a transfer therefor to the system quarterly, at the same time such employee contributions are remitted by such participating employers. Such transfer from the general fund of sufficient sums to satisfy the participating employer's obligation shall not include any adjustments for individual employee's service in prior periods and any required payment by a participating employer pursuant to K.S.A. 74-4990 and amendments thereto and K.S.A. 74-49,126 and amendments thereto. The employer's obligation for such adjustments shall be paid by the participating employer. Transfers required by this subsection shall be provided for annually by act of the legislature.

(3) Participating employers who are eligible employers as specified in subsection (4) of K.S.A. 74-4931 and amendments thereto shall pay to the system employer contributions at a rate of contribution as certified by the board.

(4) Upon the effective date of this act, the transfers for the employer's obligation pursuant to subsection (2) for the quarter commencing on January 1, 1987, shall be made on July 1, 1987, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6.72% per annum from the date the payment would have been made as provided in this section immediately prior to this amendment until the date paid.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 72-5445 and K.S.A. 74-4939 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

7. Act on Proposed J-1 Visa Legislation

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL: J-1 Visa’s Insurance Coverage

Request: To modify state statute to allow state universities to self-insure only those employees who do not meet federal requirements due to changing state health insurance plans.

Background: Wichita State University, Kansas State University, and the University of Kansas (including the Lawrence and Medical Center campuses) employ 216 benefits-eligible visiting scholars (employees who hold J-1 Visas). Federal law pertaining to these individuals’ visa status requires them to have health insurance coverage that meets certain minimum requirements. One such requirement is that the deductible of the visa-holders’ health insurance must not exceed \$500 per accident or illness (22 CFR 62.14(b); 22 CFR 62.14(h)). In past years, the individual deductible for Plan A of the State Employee Health Plan (SEHP) was \$500. Thus, the visiting scholars had health insurance that met the requirements of federal law.

Changes to Plan A of the SEHP for the 2017 Plan Year included an increase in the individual deductible to \$1,000. As of January 1, 2017, visiting scholars who participate in the SEHP will no longer have employer provided health insurance that meets the requirements of federal law. While the visiting scholars do have the option of purchasing individual insurance that meets the requirements, requiring visiting scholars to do this represents a substantial reduction in benefits for these employees and puts the universities at a competitive disadvantage for recruiting these highly qualified scholars, whose work is essential to furthering the missions of the institutions. Unfortunately, the universities are prevented by law from subsidizing the purchase of individual insurance or separately contracting for a compliant employer-provided health insurance plan. Thus, options for resolving this dilemma are limited. The three state universities have secured a temporary solution through July 31, 2017. The universities have reached an agreement with United Health Care, which provides student insurance for state university students, to allow these visiting scholars to have temporary coverage under that plan through July 31, 2017. However, this is not a long-term solution although we are very fortunate to have it as a temporary fix.

The three state universities engaged legal counsel at Ice Miller LLP to assist in identifying a long-term solution to this challenge. Ice Miller has proposed the creation of a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) to bridge the gap between the requirements of federal regulations and the deductible for the SEHP. The creation and operation of the HRA would be wholly funded by the participating universities. The proposed amendment authorizes the Board to administer the recommended HRA.

Impact: This allows current J1 visa holders to maintain their visa status and continue to work in the state of Kansas.

Fiscal Note: negligible administrative costs as well as the cost to provide coverage for these employees, which would be \$500 per employee or \$108,000.

Draft Bill Language:

K.S.A. 75-4101

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(1) The state board of regents may enter into one or more group insurance contracts to provide health and accident insurance coverage or health care services of a health maintenance organization for all students attending a state educational institution as defined in K.S.A. 76-711, and amendments thereto, and such students' dependents, except that such insurance shall not provide coverage for elective procedures that are not medically necessary as determined by a treating physician. The participation by a student in such coverage shall be voluntary. In the case of students who are employed by a state educational institution in a student position, the level of employer contributions toward such coverage shall be determined by the board of regents.

(2) Notwithstanding the requirements of K.S.A. 75-6501 et seq., the state board of regents shall have the authority to independently provide, through self-insurance or the purchase of insurance contracts, health care benefits for employees of a state educational institution, as defined in KSA 76-711, in order to satisfy federal requirements when the state health care benefits program does not satisfy such federal requirements. Such health care benefits shall be limited to only those employees for whom the state health care benefits program does not meet federal requirements.

(3) The state board of regents may adopt rules and regulations necessary to administer and implement the provisions of this section.

8. Receive Legislative Update

Summary

The Board will receive a preview of the 2017 legislative session. The Governor's State of the State on Tuesday, January 10th will officially unveil the administration's budget for the first year of the two year budget cycle. The Board will receive an update on the budget and any other issues impacting higher education for this session.

AGENDA

KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS STANDING COMMITTEE

January 18, 2017
10:30 am – 11:30 am

The Board of Academic Affairs Standing Committee will meet in the Kathy Rupp Room located in the Curtis State Office Building at 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, Kansas, 66612.

- I. Call To Order** Regent Newton, Chair
 - A. *Approve Minutes*
January 3, 2017 Meeting

- II. Discussion**
 - A. *Quality Assurance of Systemwide Transfer Courses* Jon Marshall, TAAC Quality Assurance Subcommittee Chair

- III. Updates**
 - A. *Credit for Military Alignment* Karla Wiscombe, Director for Academic Affairs, KBOR
Connie Beene, Senior Director for Adult & Career Technical Education, KBOR

- IV. Other Matters**

- V. Adjournment**

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
Meeting Schedule**

AGENDA MATERIALS DUE	MEETING DATES		TIME
December 28, 2016	January 18, 2017	Face to Face	10:30 am
January 16, 2017	January 31, 2017	Conference Call	11:00 am
January 25, 2017	February 15, 2017	Face to Face	10:30 am
February 14, 2017	February 28, 2017	Conference Call	11:00 am
February 22, 2017	March 15, 2017	Face to Face	10:30 am
March 20, 2017	April 4, 2017	Conference Call	11:00 am
April 17, 2017	May 2, 2017	Conference Call	11:00 am
April 26, 2017	May 17, 2017	Face to Face	10:30 am
May 1, 2017	May 30, 2017	Conference Call	11:00 am
May 24, 2017	June 14, 2017	Face to Face	10:30 am

MINUTES

**Kansas Board of Regents
Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
Tuesday January 3, 2017
MINUTES**

The Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee of the Kansas Board of Regents met by conference call at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Helen Van Etten	Regent Daniel Thomas	Regent Zoe Newton
	Regent Shane Bangertter	Regent Dave Murfin	

Staff:	Jean Redeker	Jacqueline Johnson	Scott Smathers
	Karla Wiscombe	Max Fridell	April Henry
	Julene Miller		

Institutions Represented:	KSU	KUMC	KU
	WSU	Washburn	Cloud County CC
	KCKCC	Hutchinson CC	

Meeting called to order at 11:30 a.m.

I. Approve December 14, 2016 Minutes

Regent Newton moved, and Regent Thomas seconded the motion, to approve the December 14, 2016 minutes as written. Motion carried.

II. Agenda Planning

A. Consent Agenda

Requests for Approval for Degree and Certificate Program

April Henry presented the request for approval for Cloud County Community College to offer an Associate of Applied Science degree and a Technical Certificate in Precision Agriculture Production. The program addresses all criteria requested and was reviewed by the Technical Education Authority, and is recommended for approval.

After discussion, Regent Newton moved, and Regent Bangertter seconded the motion, to place the Request for Approval for Cloud County Community College to offer an Associate of Applied Science degree and a Technical Certificate in Precision Agriculture Production on the Board’s January 2017 agenda. Motion carried.

April Henry also presented the request for approval for Kansas City Kansas Community College to offer a Technical Certificate in Nail Technology. This program addresses all criteria requested and was reviewed by the Technical Education Authority, and is recommended for approval.

After discussion, Regent Bangerter moved, and Regent Thomas seconded the motion, to place the Request for Approval for Kansas City Kansas Community College to offer a Technical Certificate in Nail Technology on the Board's January 2017 agenda. Motion carried.

B. Discussion Agenda

Request for Approval of Courses for Systemwide Transfer

Karla Wiscombe presented the request for Approval of Courses for Systemwide Transfer. The Transfer and Articulation Council reviewed reports from the September 23, 2016 Kansas Core Outcome Group meeting and approved outcomes for nine additional courses to be recognized for transfer across the Kansas Board of Regents system. TAAC recommends approval of the nine courses for inclusion in the systemwide transfer matrix effective summer 2017.

After discussion, Regent Newton moved, and Regent Thomas seconded the motion, to place the Request for Approval of Courses for Systemwide Transfer on the Board's January 2017 agenda. Motion carried.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 11:45 a.m.

AGENDA

Fiscal Affairs and Audit Committee
Wednesday, January 18, 2017
10:15-11:45 AM, Board Room

I. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Follow up on issues raised during the January 3 teleconference regarding FAA items on the Board's agenda and any other questions/clarifications about Board agenda items

II. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approve minutes of December 14, 2016 committee meeting (attached)
- B. Receive External Management Review from BKD, LLP on Kansas State University
- C. **FAA 17-06**, Receive Accountability Report on Major State Investments (KSU-Veterinary Medical Center)
- D. **FAA 17-07**, Receive Internal Audit Plans and Meet with State University Internal Auditors
- E. Review Fiscal Affairs and Audit Items from full Board Agenda
- F. Audits for committee review and discussion (standing item)
- G. Other Committee Business

III. OTHER COMMITTEE ITEMS

- A. Next meeting dates
 - 1. January 31, Noon (Agenda planning conference call)
 - 2. February 15, 10:15 a.m.

AGENDA

Board Governance Committee
Wednesday, January 18, 2017
8:45-10:00
Suite 530

- I. APPROVE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 14, 2016**
- II. CONSIDER BOARD APPROVED TOPICS FOR THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**
 - A. **GOV 17-09**, Review Proposed Revisions to Policies
 - 1. University Support Staff Council
 - B. **GOV 17-04**, Review and Act on Updated Concealed Carry Policy FAQs
 - C. **GOV 17-05**, Receive University Annual Campus Security Reports – **Executive Session**
 - 1. KU
 - 2. FHSU
- III. NEXT MEETING DATES**
 - A. February 15
 - B. March 15

MINUTES

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE December 14, 2016 Minutes

The Kansas Board of Regents Governance Committee met on Wednesday, December 14, 2016. Chair Bill Feuerborn called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Proper notice was given according to law.

Members Present: Bill Feuerborn, Chair
Zoe Newton
Helen Van Etten
Joe Bain
Shane Bangerter

CREDIT BY EXAMINATION POLICY AMENDMENTS

General Counsel Julene Miller presented the proposed additional amendments to the Credit by Examination policy. The amendments make the policy consistent with the legislation that was passed during the last legislative session. She noted the Council of Chief Academic Officers and the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee have reviewed and approved the changes. The proposed amendments are on today’s Board agenda for consideration. The Governance Committee had no concerns regarding the additional amendments.

CHAPTER II: GOVERNANCE – STATE UNIVERSITIES

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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3. CREDIT BY EXAMINATION

- a. College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) and Advanced Placement (AP) credit awarded by any state university in conformity with this policy shall be ~~transferable to~~ accepted by all other state universities.
- ~~b. One half the credit hours earned through campus developed and administered tests may be included in the instructional base.~~
- b. Beginning July 1, 2017, each state university shall award:
 - i. Credit for all Advanced Placement (AP) examination scores of three (3) or above for the equivalent course or courses at their institution.
 - ii. Credit for all College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) examination scores at or above the American Council of Education’s (ACE) credit-granting recommended score of 50 for the equivalent course or courses at their institution.
- c. Any academic discipline may establish a higher systemwide AP exam score above three (3) using the process for establishing a higher AP exam score that was proposed by the Council of Faculty Senate Presidents and approved by the Council of Chief Academic Officers on May 18, 2016.
- d. All other Kansas public postsecondary educational institutions are encouraged to adopt this state university policy.

- e. Institutions shall have discretion on awarding additional credit for scores above three (3) on AP exams and scores above the ACE credit-granting recommended score of 50 for CLEP exams.

MINUTES

Regent Van Etten moved to approve the minutes of November 16, 2016. Regent Bain seconded, and the motion carried.

WEAPONS POLICY AMENDMENTS

General Counsel Miller stated after reviewing the university concealed carry policies, the Committee was interested in amending the Board Weapons policy to allow stun guns to be used for self-defense and allow the universities to have more flexibility regarding where a handgun can be stored on campus. The Committee did not have any concerns about the proposed amendments but did discuss whether language should be added to require universities to report to the Committee the areas they plan to identify as restricted access. The members discussed the Board's oversight responsibilities and decided the universities need to provide this information to the Committee during their annual security report. Regent Bain moved to approve forwarding the proposed amendments to the Board for consideration. Regent Newton seconded, and the motion carried.

The following amendments will be forwarded:

14 WEAPONS POSSESSION

- a Pursuant to the authority vested in the Board of Regents by Article 6, Section 2 of the Kansas Constitution, K.S.A. 76-712 and other state laws, and in accordance with K.S.A. 75-7c20 allowing concealed carry and K.S.A. 75-7c24 authorizing prohibition of open carry, concealed carry of handguns shall be permitted on each state university campus, while open carry of firearms and possession of weapons other than concealed handguns shall be prohibited on each state university campus.
- b For purposes of this policy:
 - i The term "weapons" includes:
 - (1) Any object or device which will, is designed to, or may be readily converted to expel bullet, shot or shell by the action of an explosive or other propellant;
 - (2) any handgun, pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun or other firearm of any nature, including those that are concealed or openly carried;
 - (3) any BB gun, pellet gun, air/C'O2 gun, ~~stun gun or~~ blow gun, or any device, such as a Taser, which is designed to discharge electric darts or other similar projectiles; however, personal self-defense stun guns that do not fit within the preceding definition shall not be deemed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;
 - (4) any explosive, incendiary or poison gas (A) bomb, (B) mine, (C) grenade, (D) rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, or (E) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than ¼ ounce;
 - (5) any incendiary or explosive material, liquid, solid or mixture equipped with a fuse, wick or other detonating device;
 - (6) any tear gas bomb or smoke bomb; however, personal self-defense items containing mace or pepper spray shall not be deemed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;
 - (7) any knife, commonly referred to as a switch-blade, which has a blade that opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring or other device in the handle of the knife, or any knife

having a blade that opens or falls or is ejected into position by the force of gravity or by an outward, downward or centrifugal thrust or movement;

(8) any straight-blade knife of four inches or more such as a dagger, dirk, dangerous knife or stiletto; except that an ordinary pocket knife or culinary knife designed for and used solely in the preparation or service of food shall not be construed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;

(9) any martial arts weapon such as nunchucks or throwing stars;

(10) any longbow, crossbow and arrows or other projectile that could cause serious harm to any person; or

(11) any other dangerous or deadly weapon or instrument of like character.

ii The term “handgun” means:

(1) A pistol or revolver which is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand and which is designed to fire or capable of firing fixed cartridge ammunition; or

(2) any other weapon which will or is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive and which is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand.

iii The term “firearm” includes any handgun, rifle, shotgun, and any other weapon which will or is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive.

iv The term “adequate security measures” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined in K.S.A. 75-7c20, and “building” shall have the same meaning as the term “state building” is defined in K.S.A. 75-7c20.

v The term “campus” means any building or grounds owned by a state university or the Board and any building or grounds leased by a state university or the Board for state university use.

c Nothing in this policy shall be read to prohibit possession of weapons on campus (1) as necessary for the conduct of Board approved academic programs or university approved activities or practices, or (2) by university police or security officers while acting within the scope of their employment. Each university shall develop and follow policies and procedures for the safe possession, use and storage of such weapons and shall notify the Board in writing of any activities or practices involving weapons that are approved by the university under subparagraph c(1).

d Beginning July 1, 2017, any individual who is 21 years of age or older and who is lawfully eligible to carry a concealed handgun in Kansas shall not be precluded from doing so on state university campuses except in buildings and areas of buildings for which adequate security measures are provided, and except as otherwise prohibited by law.

i Each individual who lawfully possesses a handgun on any state university campus shall be wholly and solely responsible for carrying, storing and using that handgun in a safe manner and in accordance with the law, Board policy and university policy. Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted to require individuals who lawfully possess a handgun to use it in defense of others.

ii Each university shall develop and follow policies and procedures for the safe possession and storage of lawfully possessed handguns, and shall submit such policies and procedures to the Board office for review and approval by the Board Governance Committee prior to publication or implementation. Each university’s policies and procedures shall include detailed provisions regarding how and where to report suspected violations of this policy, how faculty, staff and students shall be notified of the laws and policies pertaining to concealed carry on campus, and shall also provide interested students, faculty and staff with information about any known locally or regionally available firearm safety instruction.

- e Open carry of any firearm anywhere on any campus shall be prohibited. Each entrance to each building and facility on each campus shall be conspicuously posted with appropriate signs indicating that openly carrying a firearm into that building or facility is prohibited. Additional signs may be posted as appropriate.
- f Except in those instances where necessary for self-defense or transferring to safe storage and except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs c(1) and c(2), it shall be a violation of Board policy to openly display any lawfully possessed concealed carry handgun while on campus.
- g Regardless whether the individual is otherwise lawfully eligible to carry a concealed handgun, it shall be a violation of Board policy to commit any of the following offenses on a university campus:
 - i Possess a firearm under the influence of alcohol or drugs, as defined by K.S.A. 21-6332, and amendments thereto;
 - ii discharge a firearm in violation of K.S.A. 21-6308, and amendments thereto;
 - iii discharge a firearm within or into the corporate limits of any city in violation of K.S.A. 21-6308a; or
 - iv otherwise possess, store, transport, trade, sell, or in any other way use a firearm in violation of any applicable law.
- h Beginning July 1, 2017, each individual who lawfully possesses a concealed handgun on campus shall at all times have that handgun in their custody and control, and shall either keep it on their person with safety mechanism, if any, engaged, or stored 1) in any secure storage location provided by or authorized by the university specifically for that purpose, 2) at their residence, or 3) in their vehicle. If stored in a location provided or authorized by the university specifically for that purpose, the handgun must be secured, concealed from view, and in a location that can be accessed only by the individual and the university. If stored in a vehicle on campus, the handgun must be secured and concealed from view. For any dormitory or scholarship hall that does not have adequate security measures, each resident who lawfully possesses a handgun on campus and elects to store the handgun they possess in the room to which they are assigned when not carrying it on their person in a concealed fashion shall secure the handgun in a secure storage device that conceals the gun from view. Such storage devices shall be provided by the individual who possesses the handgun and must meet minimum industry standards for safe-keeping of handguns.
- i Beginning July 1, 2017, each state university shall determine whether and to what extent otherwise lawfully possessed concealed handguns will be prohibited in any campus buildings or areas of buildings by provision of adequate security measures, permanent or temporary, at each public entrance to the building or area. Each entrance to each building where concealed carry is prohibited as provided in this paragraph shall be conspicuously posted with appropriate signs indicating that carrying a concealed handgun into that building is prohibited. Additional signs may be posted as appropriate. Each state university that prohibits concealed carry pursuant to this paragraph shall submit to the Board office for review and approval by the Board Governance Committee a list of the buildings and areas of buildings so restricted, the rationale therefor, and a description of the adequate security measures to be provided.
 - i The list shall be provided at the time such buildings and areas are first identified as requiring adequate security and, as buildings or areas of buildings are added to the list, at the time so amended. Once the Governance Committee has approved a building or area for provision of adequate security measures, re-approval of that building or area is not required.
 - ii Because safety and security considerations may warrant a university implementing adequate security measures on an as-needed, temporary basis that are intended to address a specific concern, each university shall include in its annual security report to the Board information regarding all instances in which adequate security measures were implemented on an as needed, temporary basis during the previous year and the reasons therefor.

- j Any individual who violates one or more provisions of this policy may be issued a lawful directive to leave campus with the weapon immediately. Any individual who violates the directive shall be considered to be in trespass and may be cited accordingly. Any employee or student of the university who violates one or more provisions of this policy shall be subject to discipline in accordance with applicable university codes of conduct. Any individual who violates state or federal law may be detained, arrested or otherwise subjected to lawful processes appropriate to the circumstances.

- k Notice of this policy shall be given in each state university's weapons policy and housing contracts. To the extent adequate security measures are used to prohibit concealed carry into stadiums, arenas and other large venues that require tickets for admission, the tickets shall state that concealed carry will be prohibited at that event.

UPDATE ON UNIVERSITY CONCEALED CARRY POLICIES

General Counsel Miller reported last month the Committee recommended some changes to the proposed university policies. All the recommendations were incorporated into the policies. The university policies are on today's Board agenda for consideration.

ANNUAL CAMPUS SECURITY REPORTS

The Committee will receive the annual university campus security reports during the months of January, February, and March. Along with the normal reported items, the Committee wants to receive information on any areas that will be identified as restricted access, or non-public, for concealed carry purposes, and an update on Title IX activities.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair announced the January meeting will start at 8:45 a.m. and then adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

AGENDA

Council of Presidents
(revised)
11:00 a.m.
January 18, 2017

1. Approve minutes from December 14, 2016
2. Report from Council of Chief Academic Officers—Neeli Bendapudi
3. Report from Council of Chief Business Officers—Leisa Julian
 - a. Act on recommended KBOR Student Health Insurance Benefit and Premium Rates for plan year 2017-2018 (see page 29 for information)
4. Report from Council of Government Relations Officers—Kelly Reynolds
5. Report from Council of Chief Student Affairs Officers—Tammara Durham
6. Report from University Support Staff Council—Chris Wallace
7. Act on proposed amendments to the Board’s Annual and Multiple Year Appointment policy
8. Discussion of process for COPS review of non-resident tuition policies and strategies
9. Discussion of methodology to determine cost of reaching attainment numbers
10. Other matters

MINUTES

**Council of Presidents
Kansas Board of Regents
December 14, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m. by Chancellor Gray-Little.

1. The minutes from November 16, 2016 were approved.
2. Report from Council of Chief Academic Officers

KU Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Neeli Bendapudi reported on behalf of the Council of Chief Academic Officers.

Provost Bendapudi said the theme for the System Council of Chief Academic Officers and COCAO this year is **access**, including for men and women in uniform.

COCAO had **first reading of a new master's in organizational leadership from KU**, which will be offered in Leavenworth, targeting the military and also the general public.

COCAO also had a **report from Fort Hays State about an innovative residential program in entrepreneurship** that is as much for starving artists as for traditional business people.

The Council of Faculty Senate Presidents is discussing transfer & articulation agreements and AP course credits.

COCAO expects to receive **a cost-benefit analysis of developing a common online application in January**.

COCAO also **endorsed a revision to the multi-year appointment policy proposed by KUMC**.

3. Report from Council of Chief Business Officers

KU Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer Leisa Julian reported on behalf of the Council of Chief Business Officers.

COBO is discussing the Board's goal on University excellence, including greater **administrative efficiencies and sharing best practices**. They also discussed **fee structures and how each campus sets fees**.

In light of recent seismic activity in Oklahoma, COBO reviewed **earthquake insurance coverage**. The system has \$1B in property insurance, including \$100M for earthquake damage. Risk managers analyzed the risk and talked with KS Geological Survey. It appears that Kansas is at minimal risk. To add \$50M in coverage, it would cost an additional \$25,000 a year; for \$100M more in coverage, \$44,000 a year. The system already pays \$2M per year for property insurance coverage.

COBO discussed the **preliminary injunction to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)**. Most universities with post docs increased salary levels and determined whether employees are in correct categories—exempt vs. non-exempt.

The J-visa health insurance issue is continuing to be discussed, including at a meeting of the state health insurance commission on Dec. 5.

COBO congratulated Chief Business Officers Mary Herron, WSU, and John Patterson, PSU, who are retiring after a combined 86.5 years of service to the state.

4. Report from Council of Government Relations Officers

KU Director of State Relations Kelly Reynolds reported on behalf of the Council of Government Relations Officers.

Higher Education Day will be January 19, beginning with a breakfast for all legislators, all CEOs and the Regents.

For the remainder of the day, **each school will have an area in the Capitol devoted to them.**

It is recommended that **COPS meet as a group with Senate President Wagle and House Speaker Ryckman.** Individual meetings with other legislative leaders will be coordinated by the government relations officers.

Dr. Flanders reported that on **January 18, the CEOs and Regents will have dinner with foundation and alumni presidents to talk about broadening advocacy for higher education.**

5. Report from Council of Chief Student Affairs Officers

Tammara Durham, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at KU, reported on behalf of the Council of Chief Student Affairs Officers.

The student affairs officers talked about **sanctuary campuses and DACA.** To date no one has had any requests for statements or a movement to declare campuses as sanctuaries. **Each campus has multiple resources available for affected students.**

Dr. Durham alerted COPS that the states of **Missouri and Arkansas have significant cases of mumps—200 and 2000 respectively.** Most of the cases in Missouri are at MU. As students leave for break, they may come back with mumps.

6. Report from the University Support Staff Council

Johny Buchanan from Wichita State University reported on behalf of the University Support Staff Council.

The USS Council is creating a mission statement. It reviewed the **KBOR policy manual, and noted the use of the term Classified Staff Council, which should be updated to University Support Staff.**

The Council also asked the **timeline for COBO's review of the costs of tuition exchange programs** and asked about the **status of its proposal for a day of paid leave for community service.**

Board legal staff will research the latter proposal and report to COPS in January.

7. Review of non-resident tuition policies and strategies

COPS was asked by Regent Bangerter at the November meeting to consider how to involve the councils in non-resident tuition proposals coming from individual campuses.

COPS discussed the issue broadly and **plans a fuller discussion of it in January.**

8. Act on appointment of COPS representative to the KBOR Retirement Plan Committee

Emporia State President Allison Garrett agreed to be the COPS representative to the KBOR retirement plan committee.

There being no other matters, the meeting was adjourned at 12 noon.

AGENDA

COUNCIL OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS

January 18, 2017
9:15 am – 10:00 am

The Council of Chief Academic Officers will meet in the Kathy Rupp Room located in the Curtis State Office Building at 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, Kansas, 66612.

I. Call To Order

A. *Approve Minutes*

Neeli Bendapudi,
Chair

December 14, 2016, Meeting

II. Program Request

A. *Master of Science in Business and Organizational Leadership (Second Reading)*

Neeli Bendapudi, KU

B. *Request Approval for Degree Name Change from Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Economics to Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Business Economics*

Lynette Olson, PSU

III. Informational Items

A. *Pittsburg State University*

Lynette Olson, PSU

- *Addition of Professional Writing emphasis in Master of Arts in English*
- *Addition of Minor in Packaging Graphics*
- *Modification to BS in Education with a Major in Mathematics emphases*

IV. Updates

A. *Council of Faculty Senate Presidents*

Pam Keller

V. Other Matters

VI. Adjournment

COCAO Meeting Schedule

AGENDA MATERIALS DUE	MEETING DATES	LUNCH ROTATION
December 28, 2016	January 18, 2017	KUMC
January 25, 2017	February 15, 2017	KSU
February 22, 2017	March 15, 2017	PSU
March 29, 2017	April 19, 2017 at KU	KU
April 26, 2017	May 17, 2017	Washburn
May 24, 2017	June 14, 2017	WSU

***Please Note: New Program Proposals are to be submitted 4 weeks prior to the next COCAO meeting for review and processing purposes.**

MINUTES

Kansas Board of Regents Council of Chief Academic Officers Wednesday, December 14, 2016

The Council of Chief Academic Officers met in the Kathy Rupp Conference Room of the Kansas Board of Regents at 9:28 a.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, and reconvened at noon.

In Attendance:

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| Members: | Neeli Bendapudi, KU | Lynette Olson, PSU | JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn |
| | Tony Vizzini, WSU | David Cordle, ESU | April Mason, KSU |
| | Graham Glynn, FHSU | Mike Werle, KUMC sitting in for Robert Klein | |
| Staff: | Jean Redeker | Karla Wiscombe | Jacqueline Johnson |
| | Max Fridell | Scott Smathers | |
| Others: | Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC | Peggy Forsberg, Highland CC | Rick Muma, WSU |
| | Stuart Day, KU | Lori Winningham, Butler CC | Alysia Johnston, Fort Scott CC |
| | Kim Krull, Butler CC | Pamela Keller, KU | Todd Carter, Seward County CC |
| | Mickey McCloud, JCCC | Ruth Dyer, KSU | Robin Garrett, Barton CC |
| | Andrew Bennett, KSU | Rick Moehring, JCCC | Janice Jewett, PSU |
| | Tiffany Bohm, KCKCC | Diane Durham, KUMC | |

Neeli Bendapudi called the meeting to order at 9:28 a.m.

Approve November 16, 2016 Minutes

Tony Vizzini moved, and JuliAnn Mazachek seconded the motion, to approve the November 16, 2016 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

II. Program Requests

- KU – Master of Science in Organizational Leadership (First Reading)
Neelie Bendapudi presented University of Kansas’s proposed Master of Science in Organizational Leadership. Discussion was held on various factors of this proposal. If there are any other comments or questions, please contact Neeli Bendapudi prior to the January 2017 meeting. This is a first reading and no action is required.

III. Informational Items

- Graham Glynn informed COCAO of the new center for Entrepreneurship at FHSU.
- Pam Keller updated COCAO on the Council of Faculty Senate Presidents projects.

IV. Discussion Items

- A. Jean Redeker provided an update on the Board Attainment Goal: Cost-Benefit analysis of developing common online application.
 - Reviewing proposed issue paper
 - Send it to Chief Academic Officers for review and feedback
 - Expect presentation to the Board in January
- B. Mike Werle and Diane Durham, KUMC, presented a proposed revision to the Multiple-Year Appointment Policy.

Tony Vizzini moved and April Mason seconded, the motion to forward the proposed revised Multiple Year Appointment Policy to the Board.

April Mason moved and Lynette Olson seconded, the motion to recess until lunch. Motion carried.

Meeting reconvened at 12:10 pm. COCAO discussed the need for a University Press of Kansas executive session to discuss the director search.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR MEETING DATES

Fiscal Year 2017

<u>Meeting Dates</u>	<u>Agenda Material Due to Board Office</u>
August 9-11, 2016	
September 14-16, 2016	August 24, 2016 at noon
October 19, 2016 (FHSU)	September 28, 2016 at noon
November 16, 2016 (ESU)	October 26, 2016 at noon
December 14-15, 2016	November 22, 2016 at noon
January 18-19, 2017	December 28, 2016 at noon
February 15-16, 2017	January 25, 2017 at noon
March 15-16, 2017	February 22, 2017 at noon
April 19, 2017 (KU)	March 29, 2017 at noon
May 17-18, 2017	April 26, 2017 at noon
June 14-15, 2017	May 24, 2017 at noon

TENTATIVE MEETING DATES

Fiscal Year 2018

Meeting Dates

- August 8-10, 2017 – Budget Workshop/Retreat
- September 20-21, 2017
- October 18-19, 2017
- November 15-16, 2017
- December 20-21, 2017
- January 17-18, 2018
- February 14-15, 2018
- March 14-15, 2018
- April 18-19, 2018
- May 16-17, 2018
- June 20-21, 2018

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