

**Kansas Board of Regents
Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee**

**MINUTES
Wednesday, March 14, 2018**

The March 14, 2018, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Chair Regent Bangerter at 10:45 a.m. The meeting was held in the Overman Student Center at Pittsburg State University.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Bangerter Regent Van Etten – by phone	Regent Thomas	Regent Murguia
Staff:	Jean Redeker Julene Miller	Karla Wiscombe	Max Fridell
Others:	Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Jim Truelove, PSU Erin Shaw, Highland CC Emily Brandt, FHSU	Rob Catlett, ESU Denise Orth, FHSU Jeff Briggs, FHSU Megan McReynolds, ESU	Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Lori Winningham, Butler CC Steve Loewen, FHTC

ANNOUNCEMENT

Chair Bangerter welcomed everyone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regent Thomas moved that the minutes of the February 14, 2018, regular meeting and the February 26, 2018, conference call be approved. Following the second of Regent Van Etten, the motion carried.

Receive the Concurrent Enrollment Partnership Report (CEP)

Karla Wiscombe, Director for Academic Affairs, presented the CEP report. Participation in Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (CEP) has consistently grown in Kansas and provides an opportunity for high school students to earn college credit. The Concurrent Enrollment Report for AY 2017 (fall 2016 & spring 2017) summarizes course enrollments for all CEP courses, and examines successful completion rates and faculty qualifications of System Wide Transfer (SWT) courses offered through CEP.

Discussion was held throughout the presentation. BAASC appreciates the work involving Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships.

Approve Consent items for the March 14th Board Agenda

- Bachelor of Science in Political Science - FHSU
- Degree granting authority for Research College of Nursing and Simmons College

Regent Thomas moved, with the second of Regent Murguia, that the Board Consent Agenda for March 14th be approved. The motion carried.

Discussion Agenda for May 16th Board meeting

Accreditation Policy Amendments

Jean Redeker, Vice President for Academic Affairs, presented the proposed amendments to the Accreditation Policy. The current policy directs the state universities to provide the Board with an annual accreditation report. Because there are very few changes from year-to-year, the amendments would change the reporting requirement from annually to once every four years and would require the universities to notify the Board's Vice President for Academic Affairs when the

accreditation status of a program or the institution changes. The Governance Committee discussed the importance of the Board being updated on all adverse changes in accreditation status as well as when an accrediting body decides on the status of a new program seeking accreditation. Board staff will incorporate language regarding Board notification into the policy.

Regent Murguia moved, with the second of Regent Thomas, that the proposed amendments to the Accreditation Policy be placed on the May 16th Board Discussion agenda. The motion carried.

Auditing Courses Policy Amendments

General Counsel Julene Miller presented the proposed amendments to the Auditing Courses Policy. The amendments clarify the scope of the policy. It also defines authority of the state universities to set admission standards for non-degree seeking students, place additional admissions criteria on undergraduate programs, as well as graduate programs, for any student where conditions warrant, and clarifies that institutions make all determinations regarding eligibility of a student to audit particular courses pursuant to this policy. General Counsel Miller reviewed the history of the policy and noted the Board has had an auditing policy for senior citizens since the early 1970s. The Governance Committee concurred with the proposed amendments, requesting an amendment to clarify that a state university may prohibit the auditing of distance education courses.

Regent Van Etten moved, with the second of Regent Thomas, that the proposed amendments to the Auditing Courses Policy be placed on the May 16th Board Discussion agenda. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:19 a.m.