

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

MINUTES

Monday, April 1, 2019

The Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee of the Kansas Board of Regents met by conference call at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, April 1, 2019.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Murguia	Regent Van Etten	Regent Schmidt	Regent Thomas
Staff:	Jean Redeker	Karla Wiscombe	Max Fridell	Sam Christy-Dangermond
Institutions Represented:				
	ESU	FHSU	KSU	PSU
	KU	KUMC	WSU	Barton CC
	Dodge City CC	JCCC		

Agenda Planning for April 17th Board Meeting

- Consent Agenda
 1. Request Approval for Associate of Applied Science in Plastics Technology at Pittsburg State University. PSU's Plastics Engineering Technology Advisory Council has emphasized a need for process technicians in the plastics industry. A two-year program at PSU would accomplish the necessary level of training desired by industry for a process technician in a short time-frame. A two-year program would be attractive to students who are not seeking a four-year degree but want access to the expertise, facilities, and training that are available in PSU's Plastics Engineering Technology program. PSU representatives were available to answer questions.

Regent Schmidt moved to approve PSU's degree program request for the consent agenda for the April 17th Board meeting. Following the second of Regent Van Etten, the motion carried.

Other Board Matters

Jean Redeker requested to place the following report on the discussion agenda for the April 17th Board meeting.

A. BAASC 19-03 Receive Program Review Report.

Jean Redeker presented the Program Review Report for Academic Year 2017-2018. While Board policy requires state universities to review programs at least once every eight years, universities have an internal review process that monitors program quality on an on-going basis that allows institutions to identify any issues early and work to correct those issues well before the eight-year review cycle is complete.

Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University, Kansas State University, Pittsburg State University, the University of Kansas, the University of Kansas Medical Center, and Wichita State University reviewed a total of 102 academic programs representing 144 different degrees at various academic levels (60 bachelor's, 51 master's, and 33 doctorate). Of the 144 degrees reviewed, 130 were recommended to continue, six were recommended for additional review, two were recommended to be enhanced, and six were recommended to be discontinued.

Copies of individual campus reports are available at http://www.kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/618-program-review-reports, and Jean provided a brief overview of each individual report. Staff recommends acceptance of this report.

After discussion, Regent Van Etten moved to place the Program Review Report on the discussion agenda for the April 17th Board meeting. Following the second of Regent Schmidt, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.