The December 15, 2021 meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) was called to order by Regent Kiblinger at 11:00 a.m. The meeting was held in person and through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:
- Regent Kiblinger
- Regent Rolph
- Regent Schmidt
- Regent Winter

Staff:
- Daniel Archer
- Amy Robinson
- Marti Leisinger
- Sam Christy-Dangermond
- Tara Lebar
- Travis White
- Karla Wiscombe
- Lisa Beck
- April Henry

Others:
- Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC
- Brenda Koerner, ESU
- Barbara Bichelmeier, KU
- Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC
- Elaine Simmons, Barton CC
- Gary Wyatt, ESU
- George Arasimowicz, ESU
- Howard Smith, PSU
- Janet Stramel, FHSU
- Jason Sharp, Labette CC
- Jean Redeker, KU
- Jennifer Roberts, KU
- Kay Monk-Morgan, WSU
- Kim Morse, Washburn
- JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn
- Linnea GlenMaye, WSU
- Laura Loyacono, KSCAC
- Kim Zant, Cloud County CC
- Lucy Steyer, ESU
- Luke Dowell, SCCC
- Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC
- Meaghan Higgins, KSCAC
- Monette DePew, Pratt CC
- Remy Lequesne, KU
- Robert Klein, KUMC
- Tanya Gonzalez, KSU
- Taylor Crawshaw, Independence CC
- Tom Nevill, Butler CC
- Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes
Regent Rolph moved to approve the November 29, 2021 meeting minutes, and Regent Schmidt seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

Other Matters
Regent Schmidt moved to switch items A and B under Other Matters, and Regent Rolph seconded. The motion passed.

- Sam Christy Dangermond presented the Annual Report on Exceptions to the Minimum Admission Standards at State Universities. K.S.A. 76-717 requires the Kansas Board of Regents to report on the number and percentage of students admitted to state universities who did not meet minimum requirements but were accepted by exception. This report includes freshman and transfer students admitted for Academic Year 2021. Sam reviewed the requirements for both groups of students and noted this is the last year these requirements will be utilized due to changes in Qualified Admissions. She summarized the data, which starts on page 7 of the agenda.

In summary, the only category in which a university exceeded the maximum number of allowable exceptions was the non-resident freshman category. However, with the Qualified Admissions requirements changing, effective for the 2021-2022 AY and beyond, staff do not anticipate issues with the number of exceptions for subsequent years. The report will be sent to the Legislature in January to meet the reporting
requirements set forth in K.S.A. 76-717.

• Tara Lebar, Meaghan Higgins, and Laura Loyacono presented an overview of the Kansas State College Advising Corps (KSCAC). KSCAC is one of more than 30 chapters in the U.S. working to increase the number of low-income, first-generation, and underrepresented high school students who enter and complete higher education.

The KSCAC hires recent college graduates to serve as full-time college advisors in high schools. These advisors:
  o Provide guidance, advisement, and group or individualized support with college and career planning
  o Conduct application & financial aid workshops, facilitate campus tours and connect families with resources
  o Walk students through financial aid, scholarship opportunities, and FAFSA application
  o Help students find a “best-fit” post-secondary opportunity to increase the likelihood of persistence and completion rates
  o Create and foster a college-going culture that engages, encourages, and supports college attendance and completion

Information can be found at https://linktr.ee/kscac. It should be noted that while this chapter is housed at the K-State campus, KSCAC advisors do not recruit for KSU. Their efforts are student focused, helping to find a “best fit” post-secondary plan which could include university, community college, technical college, military or employment. It will require participation from all KBOR institutions for statewide expansion of the program. Additional questions can be directed to Tara Lebar, tlebar@ksbor.org.

• Regent Kiblinger provided an Advantage KS Coordinating Council (AKCC) update. The Council has submitted a budget request with the Governor. Their plan is complete, and documents can be obtained by contacting Regent Kiblinger.

• Regent Schmidt provided a Direct Support Professionals (DSP) update. He noted $500,000 was granted for DSP apprenticeship initiatives. He is also hearing news of a $50 million fund to increase DSP pay. Regent Schmidt will provide more information at a later meeting.

Adjournment
The next BAASC meeting is scheduled virtually for January 4, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Regent Rolph moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Winter seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.