

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee  
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, April 20, 2022**

The April 20, 2022, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Kiblinger at 11:05 a.m. The meeting was held at FHSU, with a virtual option through Zoom.

**In Attendance:**

Members:	Regent Kiblinger Regent Rolph	Regent Winter	Regent Schmidt
Staff:	Daniel Archer Tara Lebar Lisa Beck Travis White	Amy Robinson Karla Wiscombe Judd McCormack Scott Smathers	Sam Christy-Dangermond Marti Leisinger April Henry
Others:	Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Brent Thomas, K-State Elaine Simmons, Barton CC Janet Stramel, FHSU JoLanna Kord, ESU Kim Krull, Butler CC Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC Remy Lequesne, KU Tanya Gonzalez, K-State	Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Chuck Taber, K-State Gary Wyatt, ESU Jason Sharp, Labette CC Jean Redeker, KU Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Mickey McCloud, JCCC Robert Klein, KUMC Tom Nevill, Butler CC	Brenda Koerner, ESU Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC Howard Smith, PSU Jennifer Roberts, KU Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Lisa Blair, NWKTC Monette DePew, Pratt CC Shirley Lefever, WSU

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

**Approval of Minutes**

Regent Rolph moved to approve April 5, 2022, meeting minutes, and Regent Schmidt seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

**2021 Apply Kansas Annual Report**

Tara Lebar provided the update. The Apply Kansas program occurs each fall and is a statewide application completion event to increase the number of students who apply to college in their senior year of high school. While the campaign is for every high school senior, there is also a focus on supporting students of color, low-income, first-generation, and other students who may have not otherwise applied to college due to barriers. The full report is available at <https://www.kansasregents.org/students/apply-kansas>. Tara highlighted the following data:

- School participation has increased, with 159 schools participating and 126 schools reporting data
- 7,818 high school seniors participated, sending over 11,000 applications out total, with 6,303 applications going to Kansas public institutions
- 73 of the participating schools have 40% or more economically disadvantaged students
- While site participation increased slightly, student participation and application submission grew significantly

Tara noted a new program component was created this year called the "All-Star Program." Any high school that commits to holding three college planning events within the same academic year will receive all-star status. College planning events include an Apply Kansas Application event, a FAFSA completion event, and a college

signing day celebration. The first group of All Star High Schools will be announced and recognized at the June 15, 2022, Board meeting. Overall, Tara is pleased with the increased engagement with this year's campaign and will continue to look for ways to include more high schools across all areas of the state.

### **Other Matters**

- Regent Kiblinger provided an update from the Advantage KS Coordinating Council (AKCC). The council has not met recently. The Governor's budget recommendation to fund a director position within the Kansas Department of Commerce may be approved soon.
- Regent Schmidt provided a Direct Support Professionals (DSP) update. The DSP Pathways, a Career of Caring, is the high school program that WSU has developed. WSU is offering full scholarships for any high school student who enrolls in badges for this program.

### **Adjournment**

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Regent Winter moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Rolph seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.