

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 31, 2023

The January 31, 2023, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Kiblinger at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held through Zoom with a virtual option at the Board office.

In Attendance:

Members:	Regent Kiblinger	Regent Mendoza	Regent Lane
Staff:	Daniel Archer Karla Wiscombe Cindy Farrier	Amy Robinson Tara Lebar Gage Rohlf	Sam Christy-Dangermond Renee Burlingham Charmine Chambers
Others:	Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Andy Howe, K-State Elaine Simmons, Barton CC Janice Stover, Cowley CC Jennifer Callis, SATC JoLanna Kord, ESU Kim Zant, Cloud County CC Mark Watkins, Labette CC Monette DePew, Pratt CC Sarah Robb, Neosho CC Shelly Gehrke, ESU Tom Nevill, Butler CC	Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Howard Smith, PSU Heather Morgan, KACCT Jean Redeker, KU Jenn Roberts, KU Karen Johnson, PSU Laura Stephenson, Washburn Melanie Wallace, Allen CC Melinda Roelfs, PSU Seth Carter, Colby CC Shirley Lefever, WSU Rebecca Bilderback, Allen CC	Ashlie Jack, WSU Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC Amber Knoettgen, Cloud County CC Jennifer Ball, Washburn Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Kim Krull, Butler CC Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Mickey McCloud, JCCC Sharon Kibbe, Highland CC Tanya Gonzalez, K-State Tricia Paramore, Hutchinson CC

Roll call was taken for members and presenters. The concurrent enrollment cost model presentation and the strategic plan pillar one dashboard update were rescheduled for a future meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Regent Lane moved to approve January 18, 2023, meeting minutes, and Regent Mendoza seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

Credit by Exam Policy Revision

Tara Lebar presented a request for revisions to the KBOR Credit by Examination policy on behalf of the Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) Task Force. Background and changes are outlined on page 5 of the agenda, and the policy can be found at https://www.kansasregents.org/about/policies-by-laws-missions/board_policy_manual_2/chapter_ii_governance_state_universities_2/chapter_ii_full_text#exam. The task force and KBOR staff are requesting state universities to adopt standardized cut scores for awarding credit for Cambridge International A and AS Level exam scores of E and above when evaluated for equivalent courses. The Council of Chief Academic Officers (COCAO) approved the request on January 18th.

Regent Mendoza moved to approve revising the Credit by Examination policy as presented, and Regent Lane seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Background on Program Review

Sam Christy Dangermond presented information on the current program review process, as found on page 13 of the agenda. Sam included background information, program review criteria, the review process, minimum

criteria established by the Board, report components, the addition of Strategic Program Alignment to the program review policy, and a history of the associated activities over the past few years. In summary, Sam provided the following:

- There are six criteria by which we ask institutions to evaluate programs, but very few specific metrics are provided, resulting in some inconsistencies across the system;
- Each university determines when in the eight-year cycle it will review each of its programs, resulting in a wide variety of programs the Board must review each year, with little to no opportunity to compare similar programs across the system; and
- Most of the universities had at least one year in the eight-year cycle during which they did not review/report on programs which is not a problem itself but might imply that a shorter cycle could work.

The Committee discussed that while this is a university process, there may be a need for the focus to come from the Board. Regent Kiblinger noted that BAASC would have additional discussions, and she will discuss with Board Chair Rolph about starting a larger conversation on the purpose and most efficient processes, metrics, and criteria. Regent Lane asked if they could next look at how to move from the current process to the new process and how this will tie into rpk GROUP work.

Systemwide General Education Implementation Update

Daniel Archer provided a presentation on the implementation timeline. The timeline is organized into submission dates that occur over the next 18 months:

1. The General Education Implementation Check-in Form is due April 1, 2023.
2. A master course list is due June 1, 2023.
3. Requests for exceptions are due July 30, 2023.
4. Degree Maps, which must meet all the basic standards detailed in the degree map sheet that is linked in the GE timeline, are due July 1, 2024.
5. An institutional policy showing compliance with the [Credit by Exam policy](#) is due by July 1, 2024.

This presentation with further details can be found on the [Systemwide General Education implementation website](#). The January 20th general education webinar presentation, Q&A, and recording will also be posted on this page. Regent Kiblinger stated she understands this is a big lift, but it will be one of the most meaningful accomplishments as a system, and she thanked everyone for their involvement and hard work on behalf of Kansas students.

Adjournment

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2023, at 10:30 a.m., which was originally scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

Regent Lane moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Mendoza seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.