

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee**  
**MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, June 18, 2024**

The June 18, 2024, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Lane at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

**In Attendance:**

Members: | Regent Lane      Regent Ice      Regent Johnston      Regent Mendoza

**Approval of Minutes**

Regent Ice moved to approve the June 4, 2024, meeting minutes; Regent Mendoza seconded, and the motion passed.

**Board Discussion Agenda Items**

Regent Lane provided a recap of the program review recommendations for KU's BA/BGS/BS Geography and BA/BM Music. She noted that the motions for these programs were inconsistent with the other decisions from the June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Regent Lane requested a revote to either affirm the motions from the June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting for these programs or change the decision to include the same proviso as the other programs. Regent Johnston moved to modify the recommendation to approve the action plans with the proviso that the programs meet 3 of the 4 thresholds in the 3-year period. Regent Ice seconded. The motion passed.

Provost Barb Bichelmeyer presented a request for the BS in Engineering Physics to exceed 120 hours at KU. This program was inadvertently left off of the list KU sought board approval for back in 2018. Regent Mendoza moved to approve the request. Regent Ice seconded. The motion passed.

**Other Matters**

Mistie Knox provided a Reverse Transfer Update. She began by providing a description of the Reverse Transfer process, which is retroactively granting associate degrees by combining credits earned from a Kansas community college or technical college with the credits earned at a Kansas public university the student has transferred to. She then provided a review of the history and board policy as it relates to reverse transfer. She shared some changes currently being worked on, including clarity and simplification to the reverse transfer procedures. Mistie also encouraged institutions to update the contacts listed on the Systemwide Reverse Transfer institutional contacts list available on our website. The National Student Clearinghouse webinar is on July 2.

Karla Wiscombe provided an update on TAAC. She shared that the co-chairs, Tiffany Bohm & Casey Fraitess-Chapes, will remain on another year, and the meetings for 2024-2025 will remain a week before the board meetings at 2:00 p.m. The Quality Assurance Report will be presented at the October 11 Kansas Core Outcomes Groups Conference.

Rusty Monhollon then shared Systemwide General Education Council updates. The May 28<sup>th</sup> meeting reviewed deviation requests from KU Medical Center for the Clinical Laboratory Science program. The council requested additional information from Dr. Klein, which is currently being reviewed. The council plans to give its recommendation at its June 25 meeting. They also continue with the development of a procedures guide. Finally, the council received an exception request from KU Med for the BA in Respiratory Care, Diagnostic Science, & Health Information Management to continue to require a specific general education course. This request was approved. Dr. Monhollon then provided a Math Pathways Task Force update. The task force met on May 21 to set goals for the next AY. These goals included the development of a FAQ Guide and the creation of two subcommittees focusing on communication and corequisite support. The Math Course Placement Measures Committee met on June 10 and will meet again on June 26. They have finalized the multiple measures recommendations for College Algebra. They will finalize the multiple measures recommendation for

Contemporary Math and Elementary Statistics at a future meeting. Round one of the discipline gateway courses has been approved by the institution CAO's. The round two decisions are due June 24. Dr. Monhollon ended by stating he would like to meet to discuss and review the metrics for the Program Review process and will reach out to provosts to set up those meetings.

The KBOR Good News on Campus Highlights reel, created by Matt Keith, was presented. It included highlights from each campus over the past year. The provosts then shared current things happening on campuses.

**Adjournment**

The next BAASC meeting will be held virtually in September.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.