The January 19, 2022, meeting of the Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Chair Jill Arensdorf at 8:51 a.m. The meeting was held through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members: Jill Arensdorf, FHSU  Jen Roberts, KU  Robert Klein, KUMC
         Chuck Taber, K-State  Howard Smith, PSU  JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn
         Daniel Archer, KBOR

Staff: Karla Wiscombe  Sam Christy-Dangermond  Amy Robinson
       Tara Lebar  Judd McCormack  April Henry
       Marti Leisinger  Lisa Beck  Hector Martinez

Others: Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC  Alysia Johnston, Fort Scott CC  Bobby Winters, PSU
         Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC  Claire Nickerson, FHSU  Elaine Simmons, Barton CC
         Heather Morgan, KACCT  Janet Stramel, FHSU  Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC
         Jean Redeker, KU  Jennifer Ball, Washburn  JoLanna Kord, ESU
         Kim Zant, Cloud County CC  Lee Miller, Barton CC  Linnea GlenMaye, WSU
         Lisa Blair, NWKTC  Lucy Steyer, ESU  Luke Dowell, SCCC
         Mike Werle, KUMC  Matthew Mayo, KUMC  Monette DePew, Pratt CC
         Mary Carol Pomatto, PSU  Chalise Prabhaker, KUMC  Robert Klein, KUMC
         Ryan Ruda, Garden City CC  Shelly Gehrke, ESU  Stanton Gartin, SATC
         Steve Loewen, FHSU  Susan Bradley, Butler CC  Tanya Gonzalez, K-State
         Tonya Ricklefs, Washburn  Tom Nevill, Butler CC  Taylor Crawshaw, Independence CC

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes
Chuck Taber moved to approve the December 15, 2021, meeting minutes, and Shirley Lefever seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

1st Readings
Robert Klein, Chalise Prabhaker, Matt Mayo, and Mike Werle presented the first reading for an MS in Health Data Science at KUMC. The MS in Health Data Science is a 36-credit hour program proposed by the Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, to be offered online and in-person. It will be the first program in the region focused on producing graduate-trained health data scientists with a high level of biostatistics and computing skills that are currently in demand. The full proposal can be found on page 6 of the agenda.

The KUMC program will be up for the second reading and vote at the next COCAO meeting.

2nd Readings
Howard Smith moved to approve the FHSU request to offer an MS in Computer Science, and Chuck Taber seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

Shirley Lefever moved to approve the PSU request to offer a BS in Computer Science, and Chuck Taber seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.
Both programs will move forward to COPS later in the day for approval.

**Council of Faculty Senate Presidents (COFSP) Update**
Janet Stramel, Chair and FHSU Faculty Senate President, provided the update. Later in the day, the council plans to discuss the request granting tenure clock extensions. They will also begin the 5-year review of Advanced Placement (AP) cut scores for equivalent credit, as defined in policy.

**Other Matters**
Daniel Archer provided an update on program review. The Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) will hear a proposal from the rpk GROUP to do system-level work on program review at its February 1, 2022, meeting. The rpk GROUP is proposing to:

1. reconstruct the program review process
2. conduct an evaluation of current programs under the reconstructed process
3. identify gaps in the system where there are opportunities for new programs, and
4. make recommendations to the system program portfolio

The estimated timeframe for the project is six to eight months, and the project will be created using data, research, and discussions. A steering committee with institutional representation to guide the process may be created. Further, in the proposal, rpk GROUP articulated they would be open to additional communications and feedback. With approval from BAASC, final approval would be sought from the Governance Committee.

**Adjournment**
The 19th Annual Capitol Graduate Research Summit, initially scheduled for February 16, has been rescheduled for March 29. The summit will be held in person on the first floor of the Capitol from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The next COCAO meeting is scheduled virtually for February 16, 2022.

Howard Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, and Chuck Taber seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.