The June 15, 2022, Council of Chief Academic Officers (COCAO) meeting was called to order by Chair Jill Arensdorf at 8:44 a.m. The meeting was held through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:
- Jill Arensdorf, FHSU
- Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU
- Robert Klein, KUMC
- Chuck Taber, K-State
- Howard Smith, PSU
- Laura Stephenson, Washburn
- Gary Wyatt, ESU
- Shirley Lefever, WSU
- Daniel Archer, KBOR
- Laura Stephenson, Washburn
- Howard Smith, PSU

Staff:
- Amy Robinson
- Karla Wiscombe
- April Henry
- Sam Christy-Dangermond
- Cindy Farrier
- Lisa Beck
- Marti Leisinger
- Tara Lebar

Others:
- Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC
- Alysia Johnston, Fort Scott CC
- Cathy Blasi, Pratt CC
- Chris Broberg, WSU
- Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC
- Don Kurtz, K-State
- Don Saucier, K-State
- Elaine Simmons, Barton CC
- Heather Morgan, KACCT
- Jason Sharp, Labette CC
- Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC
- Jean Redeker, KU
- Jen-Chi Cheng, WSU
- Jennifer Ball, Washburn
- Jennifer Roberts, KU
- JoLanna Kord, ESU
- Kim Zant, Cloud County CC
- Linnea GlenMaye, WSU
- Lisa Blair, NWKTC
- Luke Dowell, Seward CC
- Marc Malone, Garden City CC
- Mary Tolar, K-State
- Mindy Markham, K-State
- Robert Klein, KUMC
- Ryan Ruda, Garden City CC
- Sharon Kibbe, Highland CC
- Shawn Keough, ESU
- Shelly Gehrke, ESU
- Siyu Wang, WSU
- Stuart Day, KU
- Tanya Gonzalez, K-State
- Tiffany Evans, Colby CC
- Taylor Crawshaw, Independence CC
- Tom Nevill, Butler CC
- Mickey McCloud, JCCC
- Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC
- Corey Isbell, NCK Tech
- Tiffany Bohm, KCKCC
- Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC
- Andrew Hippisley, WSU
- Brien Bolin, WSU
- Wilson Baldridge, WSU

Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

Howard Smith moved to approve May 18, 2022, meeting minutes, and Chuck Taber seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

1st Readings

- Chuck Taber and Don Kurtz presented the first reading for a BA/BS in Criminology at K-State. K-State has a specialization within the major of Sociology; creating a stand-alone bachelor’s degree will attract more students in this growing field. Questions were presented on duplication and how the system can work together through internships and online shared coursework.

- Shirley Lefever, Andrew Hippisley, and Wilson Baldridge presented the first reading for a BA in American Sign Language (ASL) at WSU. The degree will be housed in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures. It was noted there is increased demand for learning ASL and for interpreters across the state. WSU has been invited to join the state ASL Taskforce and is looking at creating an advisory board for the degree.

These programs will be up for a second reading and vote at the next COCAO meeting.
Other Requests

- Shirley Lefever presented a request for approval to change the name of MA in Applied Economics to MA in Economics & Quantitative Analysis at WSU.

  Howard Smith moved to approve, and Chuck Taber seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Chuck Taber presented a request for approval to change the name of MS in Family Studies & Human Services to MS in Human Development & Family Science at K-State. The name change will better reflect the content of the program.

  Barbara Bichelmeyer moved to approve, and Howard Smith seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Chuck Taber presented a request for approval to change the name of Mary Lynn & Warren Staley School of Leadership Studies to Mary Lynn & Warren Staley School of Leadership at K-State. The school recently added several programs and expanded its scope, and the name change reflects these changes.

  Gary Wyatt moved to approve, and Barbara Bichelmeyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Barbara Bichelmeyer presented a request for approval to change the name of the DSW from Advanced Social Work Practice to Social Work at KU. The request aligns the degree and degree title and ensures clarity in KU’s School of Social Welfare. It was clarified the DSW is the Doctor of Social Work.

  Howard Smith moved to approve, and Shirley Lefever seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

- Barbara Bichelmeyer and Stuart Day presented requests for approval for a Minor in Environmental Health and a Minor in Clinical Trials Management at KU. These will be offered through the KU Edwards Campus in partnership with KUMC and will help fulfill workforce needs.

  Chuck Taber moved to approve the Minor in Environmental Health at KU, and Shirley Lefever seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

  Howard Smith moved to approve the Minor in Clinical Trials Management at KU, and Chuck Taber seconded. The motion passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

These requests will go to President Flanders for final approval.

Council of Faculty Senate Presidents (CoFSP) Update
CoFSP will meet later in the day, and the new chair will present at the next COCAO meeting.

Adjournment
The next COCAO meeting is scheduled tentatively for September 14, 2022. The meeting schedule and format are determined by the incoming Chair, Barbara Bichelmeyer, and will be presented to the council at the September meeting.
Shirley Lefever moved to adjourn the meeting, and Barbara Bichelmeyer seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.