

**System Council of Chief Academic Officers
Minutes**

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

8:30 a.m.

**Wichita State University
Rhatigan Student Center
261 Olive Room
Wichita, Kansas**

The System Council of Chief Academic Officers met in the Wichita State University, Rhatigan Student Center, 261 Olive Room, Wichita, Kansas, at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2015.

Present at Wichita State University:

Members:

David Cordle, Emporia State University	Sara Rosen for Jeff Vitter, University of Kansas
Lynette Olson, Pittsburg State University	Tony Vizzini, Wichita State University
Graham Glynn, Fort Hays State University	April Mason, Kansas State University
Robert Klein, University of Kansas Medical Center	

Staff:

Gary Alexander and Rita Johnson

Others:

Rick Muma, Wichita State University; Lori Cook-Benjamin, Fort Hays State University; Fred Guzek, Kansas State University; Janice Jewett, Pittsburg State University; Alysia Johnston, Fort Scott Community College; Kim Krull, Butler Community College; Harold Arnett, Cowley Community College; Robin Garrett, Barton Community College; Linnea GlenMaye, Wichita State University; Michelle Barger, Wichita State University; Gina Crabtree, Wichita State University; David Wright, Wichita State University; Deanna Mann, Dodge City Community College; and Pam Doyle, Wichita Area Technical College

Present by Conference Call in the Kathy Rupp Conference Room of the Kansas Board of Regents:

Members:

Jon Marshall, Allen Community College; Randy Pembroke, Washburn University; Peggy Forsberg, Highland Community College; Bill Backlin, Cloud County Community College; and Steve Loewen, Flint Hills Technical College

Board Staff:

Jean Redeker, Karla Wiscombe, Jacqueline Johnson, Susan Fish, Cynthia Farrier, and Connie Beene

Approve Minutes of October 14, 2015 Meeting

The motion was made and seconded to approve the October 14, 2015 minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Updates

Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) – Karla Wiscombe

Karla Wiscombe updated SCOCAO on the Transfer and Articulation Council:

- Ten new courses to recommend to the Board in January
- Courses to review in September 2016 are from:
 - Institutional suggestions for general education courses
 - Faculty suggestions
- The Council meets today (November 18, 2015) at 3:00 p.m.

TAAC Policy Discussion – Karla Wiscombe

Karla Wiscombe indicated the draft policy will be placed on the December 2015 SCOCAO agenda for more in depth discussion.

Discussion followed:

- Suggestion to invite two or more Transfer and Articulation Council members to attend the December 2015 SCOCAO meeting to provide further input on the policy language
- Clarification of the directive(s) from the System Council of Presidents and the Board of Regents regarding the scope of transfer courses
- Correlation of the policy with the current direction from the Board
- Consensus is needed by SCOCAO regarding the policy language

Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) New Policy: Further the implementation of CPL, with emphasis on military credit (Board Goal 3)

Gary Alexander introduced the draft policy for a first reading and reiterated that anything regarding prior learning will come before the System Council of Chief Academic Officers and the Council of Chief Academic Officers.

Karla Wiscombe provided some background information:

- The Credit for Prior Learning Task Force was formed in 2013
- The Task Force completed the guidelines
- The institutions began implementing the procedures in 2014
- The guidelines are to be reviewed annually – looking at what is feasible and what is not
- The Task Force was reconvened to work on the Board’s goal of further implementation of CPL, with emphasis on military credit

Discussion followed:

- What are the Board expectations
 - More institutional attention to and visibility of Credit for Prior Learning opportunities
 - No expectation for an annual report at this time
 - Website on the Board of Regents website with links to each institution’s CPL website
- The October 2015 Credit for Prior Learning Task Force meeting was well attended

Reverse Transfer Policy – Gary Alexander

- Gary Alexander presented the draft policy change is in Item 3.b. to remove “opt-out” and insert “opt-in”

Discussion. Followed:

- FERPA questions were raised
- Clarification from Julene Miller, General Counsel, is needed
- More in depth Discussion on the policy, FERPA, procedures, etc forth coming
- Council has concerns with the “opt-in” language

Reverse Transfer Procedures - Jon Marshall

Jon Marshall presented the revised procedures. There are changes on page 2 and page 3. This is an informational item and does not require action. The Registrars met on October 22, 2015 and discussed the procedures. The Council expressed concerns about workload in regard to procedures.

Karla Wiscombe and Connie Beene will gather feedback from all of the Registrars to discuss the updated procedures.

Other Business

Draft Policy on Cut Scores – Gary Alexander

Gary Alexander introduced the draft policy on cut scores for discussion purposes. A recommendation from the original Task Force. Regent Moran was on the BAASC at the time and this was one of her initiatives.

There is a possibility that legislation might be introduced regarding cut scores and it would be preferable to develop a system-wide cut score.

The Council requested a summary of current scores at the institutions. Cut Scores will be placed on the December 2015 agenda.

Other Business

HLC – Qualified Faculty

The Council asked to place the following item on a future SCOCAO agenda: Applying for an extension to meet the HLC requirements for the credentialing of dual credit faculty. Once HLC releases more information about the application process (early 2016), SCOCAO will discuss this item.

There being no other business, the motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.