SYSTEM COUNCIL OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS

AGENDA

June 20, 2018
8:30 am – 9:15 am

The System Council of Chief Academic Officers will meet in Suite 530 located in the Curtis State Office Building at 1000 SW Jackson, Topeka, Kansas, 66612.

I. Call To Order
   A. Approve Minutes
      April Mason, Co-Chair
      May 16, 2018, Meeting

II. Update
   A. Transfer and Articulation Council
      Steve Loewen, FHTC
   B. Get Ahead Initiative
      Tim Peterson, KBOR
   C. Credit for Prior Learning Guidelines
      Karla Wiscombe, KBOR
   D. Developmental Education Working Group
      Samantha Christy-Dangermond, KBOR

III. Other Matters

IV. Adjournment

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The May 16, 2018, meeting of the System Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Co-Chair Todd Carter at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held in the Health Education Building on the University of Kansas Medical Center campus.

In Attendance:
Members: Todd Carter, Seward County CC  
          Michael Fitzpatrick, Pratt CC  
          David Cordle, ESU  
          Steve Loewen, FHTC  
          April Mason, KSU  
          Lynette Olson, PSU  
          Jeff Briggs, FHSU  
          Brad Bennett, Colby CC  
          Rick Muma, WSU  
          Carl Lejuez, KU  
          Michael Fitzpatrick, Pratt CC  
          David Cordle, ESU  
          Steve Loewen, FHTC  
          April Mason, KSU  
          Lynette Olson, PSU  
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          Brad Bennett, Colby CC  
          Rick Muma, WSU  
          Carl Lejuez, KU  

Staff: Jean Redeker  
       Karla Wiscombe  
       Max Fridell  

Others: Linnea GlenMaye, WSU  
        Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC  
        Amy Hite, PSU  
        Rob Catlett, ESU  
        Jon Marshall, Allen CC  
        Robert Klein, KUMC  
        Brian Niehoff, KSU  
        Stuart Day, KU  
        Spencer Wood, KSU  
        Paul Grimes, PSU  
        Michael McCloud, JCCC  
        Howard Arnett, Cowley CC  
        Brian Lindshield, KSU  
        Nancy Zenger-Beneda, Cloud County CC  

Introductions
Co-Chair Todd Carter welcomed everyone and started introductions around the table.

Approval of Minutes
Michael Fitzpatrick moved that the minutes of the March 14, 2018, meeting be approved. Following the second of Lynette Olson, the motion carried.

Updates
A. Karla Wiscombe updated SCOCACO on the status of Credit for Prior Learning Guidelines revisions.
   - Distributed the Kansas CPL Guidelines
   - Posted the CPL Guidelines on the Kansas Board of Regents website
   - Discussed the CPL Fact Sheet for the institution website
   - Sending a survey to the Chief Academic Officers

B. Reverse Transfer update was provided by Karla Wiscombe.
   - Samantha Christy-Dangermond has worked to update the Reverse Transfer webpage on the KBOR website
   - Registrars updated the procedures that are posted on the website
   - Website also includes the institution’s contact information

C. Steve Loewen updated SCOCACO on the Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC).
   Topics discussed at the TAAC meeting last week included:
   - Updated the infrastructure for TAAC
     - Updated the TAAC website
     - Creating fillable pdf forms for submitting courses
• Working on course inventory data collection to dynamically generate the KRSN Matrix and Course Equivalency Guides
• The articulation for the Early Childhood Education will include a course description
• Reference the course description when selecting faculty representation for your institution in August
• Core Outcome Subcommittee is developing handouts to promote Course Transfer and Reverse Transfer - #TransferKS
• Quality Assurance Subcommittee is working on the annual Quality report

OTHER MATTERS
Todd Carter presented Credentialing Concurrent Enrollment Science Faculty information.
  • KCIA had difficulty finding graduate level courses in the Sciences and some in Math
  • Some institutions are requiring graduate school admission prior to taking the course
  • Data collected from 10 institutions with the faculty and credit hours needed at the graduate level
    o Math – 62 faculty and 650 credit hours
    o Biology – 24 faculty and 260 credit hours
    o Chemistry – 15 faculty and 160 credit hours
    o Physics – 9 faculty and 170 credit hours
  • Concerns about paying graduate school fees, financial aid issues, and scholarships
  • Graduate Deans e-mail Todd Carter with suggestions
  • KCIA meets May 23 & 24 in Wichita

ADJOURNMENT
Lynette Olson moved to adjourn the meeting. April Mason seconded, and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.
The Kansas Board of Regents received a $50,000 Lumina Foundation Strategy Labs technical assistance grant in October of 2017 for a statewide returning adult student initiative to support the Board’s sixty percent attainment rate goal.

An advisory council with representatives from the two-year and four-year institutions, the Kansas Department of Commerce, the Kansas National Guard, the State Library of Kansas, Leadership Kansas, KTWU, and Go Topeka was established in November to help guide the development and implementation of the initiative. The advisory council met on January 17, February 15, and April 18, and will meet again in July. The System Council of Chief Academic Officers was updated on the initiative on November 15, December 20, and March 26. The Kansas Council of Instructional Administrators was also briefed on the initiative on September 21 and February 14.

The Lumina Foundation grant funds have helped support the communication strategies listed below.

**WEBSITE**
The five Get AHEAD webpages under the Students section of the KBOR website include information on seven featured online baccalaureate degree programs, reverse transfer, credit for prior learning, and financial aid. It also includes links to all 90 online bachelor degree programs offered by the Kansas public universities, to all of the public two and four-year institutions, and to the Career One Stop Center sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor. Skype meetings with the featured program contact individuals were held on March 7 and 13, and April 25. They will provide an update on the queries, applications, admissions and enrollment of adult students resulting from the initiative on the first Tuesday of June, July, August and September.

**TV/RADIO SPOTS**
A 30 second and 15 second PBS video, and a 15 second NPR radio spot, began airing in late March and will run on KTWU, KPR, and KMUW through the end of August. KSNT and WIBW are also broadcasting the video as a public service announcement.

**POSTERS**
A full color poster was distributed across the state in May to the 32 public colleges and universities, 23 workforce centers, 375 public libraries, 103 county extension offices, 38 Kansas National Guard installations, 40 Leadership Kansas participants, and 27 temp staffing agencies. Additional posters will be distributed to Fort Riley, Fort Leavenworth, McConnell AFB, and the largest employers across Kansas.
PRINT AND ONLINE ADS
A statewide media release about the Get AHEAD initiative was issued on Tuesday, May 8, by the Board office. A print and online Get AHEAD ad was run in the Emporia newspaper on Saturday, May 12, and in the Hays, Lawrence, Manhattan, Pittsburg, Salina, Topeka and Wichita newspapers on Sunday, May 13. An ad is also scheduled to run in the August issue of Kansas Magazine.

POSTCARDS to POTENTIAL COMPLETERS
For the first time in its history, the National Student Clearinghouse has provided the names and mailing addresses of the nearly 46,000 Kansas “potential completers” who earned two or more years of college credit but no degree between 2008 and 2017. This is the primary Get AHEAD target audience, which includes over 15,000 adults who attended both a two-year and four-year institution and, thus, may be good candidates for reverse transfer. A postcard will be mailed to the potential completers in June.

PRESENTATIONS
A presentation on the Get AHEAD initiative for adult admissions personnel is scheduled for June 8 at the KSU Olathe campus, and at the annual Summer Institute on Distance Learning and Instructional Technology (SIDLIT) on August 4 at JCCC.

POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIPS
The Kansas Association of Community Foundations (KACF) included an announcement about the Get AHEAD initiative in its May newsletter, which is distributed to the KACF 94 member organizations, some of which provide scholarships for non-traditional and adult students. Get AHEAD will sponsor the session on leadership at the 2018 KACF annual conference, and the Association may be a potential partner in the creation of a volunteer corps of adult student mentors.

Other potential partnerships, sponsors, and funding are being explored to continue the Get AHEAD initiative to help reach the Board’s sixty percent attainment goal. According to the 2018 Kansas update on the Lumina Foundation’s “A Stronger Nation” report, “the state will not only have to maintain current rates of attainment but also significantly increase the number of people who enroll in programs and earn all types of credentials beyond high school.” Currently, only three counties (Johnson, Douglas and Riley) have an associate degree or higher attainment rate above 50%.

EVALUATION
The efficacy of Get AHEAD will be assessed initially by examining the number of queries, applications, admissions, and enrollments of returning adult students in the 2018 – 2019 academic year. Dr. Sue Maes, Dean Emeritus of the K-State Global Campus, will assist with the initial evaluation through a series of surveys and meetings with the returning adult students, program contacts, advisory council members and other constituent groups. Ultimately, the initiative will be evaluated by the number of adults who return and complete an associate or baccalaureate degree.