

**KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS
SYSTEM COUNCIL OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS**

**VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, June 18, 2024
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.**

The System Council of Chief Academic Officers (SCOCAO) will meet virtually via Zoom.

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| I. Call to Order | Mickey McCloud, Co-Chair | |
| A. Roll Call and Introductions | | |
| B. Approve Minutes from May 15, 2024 | | p. 3 |
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II. Systemwide Updates | | |
| A. Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) Report | Karla Wiscombe | |
| B. Math Pathways | Rusty Monhollon &
Jenn Bonds-Raacke | |
| C. Performance Agreements/Reports (English Course Placement) | Sam Christy-Dangermond | |
| D. Reverse Transfer | Mistie Knox | |
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III. Other Matters | | |
| KUMC BS Nursing Expansion | Robert Klein | p. 5 |
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IV. Next SCOCAO Meeting – September Virtual Meeting | | |
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V. Adjournment | | |

Date Reminders:

- July 1st Performance Reports due (including Degree Maps)

SYSTEM COUNCIL OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS

The System Council of Chief Academic Officers (SCOCAO), established in 2002, is composed of the six chief academic officers of the state universities, four chief academic officers selected by the nineteen community colleges, one chief academic officer selected by the six technical colleges, and the chief academic officer of Washburn University. The Board’s Vice-President for Academic Affairs serves as an ex officio member. The Committee meets in person on the morning of the first day of the monthly Board meeting. Membership includes:

Mickey McCloud, Co-Chair	JCCC
Debbie Mercer, Interim, Co-Chair	K-State
Barbara Bichelmeyer	KU
Brent Thomas	ESU
Howard Smith	PSU
Jane Holwerda	Dodge City CC
Jill Arensdorf	FHSU
John Fritch	Washburn
Luke Dowell	Seward CCC
Shirley Lefever	WSU
Brandon Galm	Cloud County CC
Scott Lucas	WSU Tech
Rusty Monhollon	KBOR

System Council of Chief Academic Officers AY 2024 Meeting Schedule

<i>SCOCAO Academic Year 2023- 2024 Meeting Dates</i>		
Meeting Dates	Location (virtual or in-person)	Institutional Materials Due
September 20, 2023	Virtual	August 30, 2023
November 15, 2023	Emporia State University	October 25, 2023
December 13, 2023	Virtual	November 22, 2023
January 17, 2024	Virtual	December 27, 2023
February 14, 2024	Virtual	January 24, 2024
March 20, 2024	Virtual	February 28, 2024
April 17, 2024	Fort Hays State University	March 27, 2024
May 15, 2024	Virtual	April 24, 2024
June 18, 2024	Virtual	May 29, 2024

SCOCAO meets at 8:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

System Council of Chief Academic Officers
MINUTES
Wednesday, May 15, 2024

The May 15, 2024, System Council of Chief Academic Officers (SCOCAO) meeting was called to order by Mickey McCloud at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held in person at the Board office, with a Zoom option available.

In Attendance:

Members:	Mickey McCloud, JCCC	Debbie Mercer, K-State	Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU
	Brent Thomas, ESU	Howard Smith, PSU	Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC
	Jill Arensdorf, FHSU	John Fritch, Washburn	Luke Dowell, Seward CCC
	Shirley Lefever, WSU	Brandon Galm, Cloud County CC	Scott Lucas, WSU Tech

Approval of Minutes

Jane Holwerda moved to approve the April 17, 2024, meeting minutes. Scott Lucas seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Systemwide Updates

- Jane Holwerda provided the Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) Report. Jane shared that TAAC has requested preliminary information from CAOs for Organic Chemistry I, Organic Chemistry II, Programming Fundamentals, Object-Oriented Programming (Programming II), Calculus II, and Differential Equations. These courses are up for alignment for core outcomes at the 2024 Virtual KCOG conference on October 11, hosted by Seward County Community College. Mickey McCloud announced that this is Jane's last meeting and thanked her for her service.
- Jenn Bonds-Raacke provided an update on Systemwide General Education. She shared that co-chairs Gaile Stephens, Emporia State University, and Troy McCloughan, Fort Scott Community College, had been elected at the last meeting. The council will meet again on May 28 to discuss developing a procedures guide and will review any deviations submitted by the July 1 deadline.
- Jenn Bonds-Raacke provided an update on Math Pathways. The task force met on April 26 and discussed ways to increase communication and transparency. The next meeting is May 21 and the focus of that meeting will be goal setting for the upcoming year. The Math Course Placement Measures Committee met on April 19 and will meet again on May 17. The goal of the May 17 meeting will be to finalize multiple placement measures for College Algebra and to discuss multiple placement measures for Elementary Statistics. On May 3, Dr. Monhollon shared with the CAO's which gateway courses had been selected thus far for various disciplines and programs. The deadline for CAO's to finalize these choices is May 31. The remaining disciplines will meet in early June for an informational session given by the Math Pathways Task Force co-chairs, Whitney Turner and Keith Dreiling.
- Karla Wiscombe provided an update on the Cambridge International portion of the Credit by Exam Policy and gave a reminder that websites need to be updated to align with the policy.
- Karla Wiscombe provided an update on the Systemwide Elementary Ed Transfer Associate Degree and gave a reminder that websites should be updated to list these courses as *required* rather than recommended for both general education and the program.
- Jennifer Armour provided a SARA update. The committee for program integrity and institutional quality met to discuss the U.S. Department of Education's 2024 negotiated rulemaking. These discussions included potential impacts to the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement. The

negotiators could not reach consensus, therefore the Department may propose new regulations as they see fit. The proposed rule changes may include a five hundred rule, the enforcement of state laws related to closure, the application of states' general purpose laws, the complaint process, and the composition of the NC-SARA Board. Finalization of these rules is still pending, and updates will be provided as they are received.

- Mickey McCloud provided an update on proposed changes to the service area policy that the Kansas Council of Instructional Administrators made. KBOR legal has reviewed the proposal and deemed the requested changes unnecessary. This will be reviewed and adjusted as appropriate at a later date.

Adjournment

The next SCOCAO meeting will be held virtually June 18, 2024.

Barbara Bichelmeyer moved to adjourn the meeting; Jill Arensdorf seconded, and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

May 22, 2024

Rusty Monhollon, Ph.D.
Vice President Academic Affairs
Kansas Board of Regents
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Re: BSN program, CIP Code 51.3801

Dear Dr. Monhollon,

This letter serves as notification of the expansion of our current Bachelor of Science in Nursing program from 120 students to 150 with the addition of a Spring 2025 cohort. The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education has approved the University of Kansas School of Nursing for a maximum entering class of 150. After Fall 2024 admission, over 100 highly qualified students remained on the waitlist; this expansion allows an additional 30 students from that list to enroll in Spring. Most of our applicants are Kansas residents who aspire to practice in Kansas. Considering recent state and national nursing shortages, it seems prudent to do all we can to accommodate students seeking enrollment in our BSN.

There are no additional resources required for this expansion and the increase in student enrollment has been approved through our internal process including our Chief Financial Officer, David Vranicar, and by me as Chief Academic Officer.

I will be glad to announce the expansion of the program at COCAO in June as has been done with changes in enrollment for other programs.

We appreciate your support with this initiative.

Sincerely,



Robert M. Klein, PhD, FAA
Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs
Chancellor's Club Professor
The University of Kansas Medical Center

CC: Karla Wiscombe, Ed.D.
Samantha Christy-Dangermond
David Vranicar