

**Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee
MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

The January 17, 2024, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee (BAASC) of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Regent Lane at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was held in person at the Board office with a virtual option through Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members: Regent Lane Regent Mendoza Regent Johnston
 Regent Ice

Approval of Minutes

Regent Ice moved to approve the December 13, 2023, meeting minutes, and Regent Johnston seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

Consent Items

Crystal Puderbaugh presented the request for a certificate of approval to operate in Kansas with degree-granting authority for United States University. Regent Johnston moved to approve the request and Regent Mendoza seconded. The motion passed.

Howard Smith, Dr. Childers, and Dr. Humphries presented Pittsburg State University’s request for a Master of Social Work and request to seek accreditation for the proposed program. Regent Mendoza moved to approve the requests and Regent Johnston seconded. The motion passed, and the requests are on today’s Consent agenda for the Board.

Support Metrics Data and Action Plan Presentations

PSU, KU, and WSU reported on their data and action plans for the supportive metrics for the dashboard.

Dashboard Update – Preview of Supportive Metrics

Judd McCormack presented a preview of new items in the dashboard for the strategic plan, Building a Future, which will go live sometime next week. The vanity URL is strategicplan.kansasregents.org.

Academic Affairs Update

Karla Wiscombe indicated meetings for the discipline groups will be scheduled this semester to determine math pathways courses. The Math Pathways Task Force will meet soon. The General Education Council met last week and is requesting revisions to the master course lists due Feb. 1. The council will be reviewing the revision requests. Academic Affairs is working on a second round of exception requests.

Jaben Parnell, PSU Student Body President, shared his student perspective on the Systemwide General Education package. He expressed support for the framework, especially as a transfer student.

Good News on Campus (3 minutes)

Provosts gave short updates on bright spots on their campuses. Each university discussed at least two items.

Adjournment

The next BAASC meeting is scheduled virtually for January 30, 2024.

Regent Mendoza moved to adjourn the meeting, and Regent Johnston seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:10 p.m.