

**KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 17, 2025**

The September 17, 2025, meeting of the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee was called to order by Chair Alysia Johnston at 10:45 a.m. The meeting was held in the Board Office located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka. *Proper notice was given according to law.*

MEMBERS PRESENT: Regent Alysia Johnston
 Regent Diana Mendoza
 Regent Pamela Ammar

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regent Diana Mendoza moved that the minutes of the September 3, 2025, meeting be approved. Following the second of Regent Pamela Ammar, the motion carried.

Other Matters

Take Action on GED Score for Systemwide Mathematics Placement Measures

Dr. Jennifer Bonds-Raacke, Director of Academic Affairs for KBOR, gave an overview of related policies to the current issue paper, including systemwide placement measures for math and English courses approved in May 2023 and multiple placement measures for gateway math courses approved in September 2024. Today's item expands the multiple placement measures to include a GED score option. The Adult Education division recommends adding the GED score as an additional systemwide measure for entry into gateway courses without corequisite support. The recommended GED scores are included on pg. 6 of the agenda. Regent Mendoza clarified that students with a GED score would not be required to take additional placement assessments. Regent Johnston further clarified that GED scores would permit students' entry into any of the three gateway math courses. Regent Ammar moved to approve the addition of the GED score as a multiple measure for the systemwide mathematics placement. Following the second of Regent Mendoza, the motion carried.

Take Action on GED Score for Systemwide English Placement Measures

Sam Christy-Dangermond, Director of Academic Affairs for KBOR, thanked Julie Clark, Associate Director of High School Equivalency for KBOR, for her efforts in lining up GED scores with the existing measures. She added that a GED score of 160 would qualify students for English Composition 1 without corequisite support. Students who do not meet any of the placement measures are welcome to take the course with corequisite support. Regent Johnston asked how many students are entering the KBOR system with a GED score. Julie Clark responded that approximately 40 percent of the 900 GED earners from AY 2024-2025 went on to post-secondary education in the state of Kansas. Regent Ammar moved to approve the systemwide English placement measures. Following the second of Regent Mendoza, the motion carried.

Academic Affairs Updates

Sam Christy-Dangermond shared that 2025 performance reports are expected to be presented to the committee in executive summary form in November. These reports stem from the three-year performance agreements from AY 2024-AY 2026, committing the institutions to full implementation of Math Pathways, corequisite developmental support, and systemwide course placement measures for gateway Math and English courses by Fall 2026.

Jennifer Bonds-Raacke shared that the 2025 KCOG conference will take place on October 10th, which will review 7 new courses and 21 review courses.

Regent Johnston asked how many courses transfer through TAAC. JBR responded that after this year, there will be 133 courses in the system.

Announcements

Next BAASC Meeting – September 30, 2025

Adjournment

Regent Johnston adjourned the meeting at 11:03 a.m.