

**Council of Chief Academic Officers  
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, December 18, 2019**

The December 18, 2019, meeting of the Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Chair David Cordle at 9:07 a.m. The meeting was held in Suite 530, located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Topeka, KS.

**In Attendance:**

Members:	David Cordle, ESU Howard Smith, PSU Carl Lejuez, KU	Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Rick Muma, WSU Robert Klein, KUMC	Charles Taber, K-State Daniel Archer, KBOR JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn
Staff:	Karla Wiscombe Lisa Beck Erin Wolfram	Sam Christy-Dangermond Charmine Chambers Marti Leisinger	Amy Robinson April Henry
Others:	Jean Redeker, KU Linnea Glenmayer, WSU Brian Niehoff, K-State Michael McCloud, JCCC Lisa Kolm, Pratt CC Jennifer Ball, Washburn Ryan Ruda, Garden City CC Steve Sedbrook, FHSU Kevin Bracker, PSU Lori Winningham, Butler CC	Robert Klein, KUMC Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC Marc Malone, Garden City CC Mike Calvert, Pratt CC Monette DePew, Pratt CC Kaye Monk-Morgan, WSU Ken Trzaska, Seward CC David Fitzhugh, FHSU Steve Loewen, Flint Hills Tech Erin Shaw, Highland CC	Kim Krull, Butler CC Jon Marshall, Allen CC Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC Tricia Paramore, Hutchinson CC Joe McCann, Seward County CC Heather Morgan, KACCT Jeff Briggs, FHSU Greg Schneider, ESU Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC

Chair David Cordle welcomed everyone.

**Approval of Minutes**

Rick Muma moved to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting. Jill Arensdorf seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**First Reading**

FHSU is requesting approval to offer a Master of Science in Athletic Training. This proposal is a degree transition driven by accreditation changes. Jill Arensdorf introduced Jeff Briggs, Steve Sedbrook, and David Fitzhugh who gave a brief presentation. Chuck Taber and David Cordle indicated their support, noting they had the same challenges due to the accreditation changes. The Committee had no further comments or questions. This program will now be placed on the next COCAO agenda for a second reading and action.

**Council of Faculty Senate Presidents**

Greg Schneider, ESU, presented an update. He stated they will meet later today and discuss a series of talking points on the free expression resolution as well as topics to be discussed the next day at breakfast with the Board.

### **Other Matters**

Rick Muma, WSU, discussed efforts to start a nursing cohort at K-State in fall 2021 and stated they have received approval this month from the Kansas State Board of Nursing. He noted they are also working on two graduate-level programs in Data Analytics and Materials Engineering.

JuliAnn Mazachek shared that Washburn is working on developing 3+3 law programs. She noted they are similar to that at KU, and they have been in conversations with KU and a few other schools. JuliAnn stated she will continue to reach out to the others.

PSU stated they are working on a master's program in Data Analytics as well.

Samantha Christy-Dangermond discussed program reviews coming up. She noted the due date on the agenda should be changed to February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020, and an email was sent out with the updated due date, as well as an attached memo with programs to be reviewed and instructions. Sam stated anyone who wished to see what was submitted the prior year could email a request. No questions were presented by the Committee.

Jill Arensdorf started a discussion on the possibility of extending the due date for the strategic plan high impact practices, which was discussed during the SCOCAO meeting. The Committee decided to extend the deadline to February 7<sup>th</sup>. Carl Lejuez asked if their leadership team should provide feedback. Daniel responded that it is valuable to get feedback from two different perspectives.

Carl motioned for the Committee to recess until lunch. Lunch, drinks, and dessert will be in room 530. Rick Muma seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The Committee reconvened during lunch. No further business was discussed.

### **Adjournment**

David Cordle noted that the University Press of Kansas would be meeting upon adjournment. Howard Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting. Chuck Taber seconded the motion and the motion passed.