System Council of Chief Academic Officers MINUTES

Wednesday, November 20, 2019

The November 20, 2019, meeting of the System Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Co-Chair Brad Bennett at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held at Pittsburg State University, 1701 S. Broadway Street, Pittsburg, Kansas, 66762, in room 206 of the Overman Student Center.

In Attendance:

Members: Brad Bennett, Colby CC David Cordle, ESU Lori Winningham, Butler CC Erin Shaw, Highland CC Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Charles Taber, K-State

Carl Leiuez KU Steve Loewen Flint Hills Tech Howard Smith PSU

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Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC

Staff: Karla Wiscombe Sam Christy-Dangermond Amy Robinson

Others: Jon Marshall, Allen CCC Robert Klein, KUMC Kim Krull, Butler CC

Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC
Marlon Thornburg, Coffeyville
Kevin Bracker, PSU

Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC
Mark Allen, Independence CC
Linnea Glenmaye, WSU
Mike Calvert, Pratt CC

Joe McCann, Seward CC

Rick Moehring, JCCC

Jean Redeker, KU

Co-Chair Brad Bennett welcomed everyone and those present introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Charles Taber moved that the minutes of the September 18, 2019, meeting be approved. Following the second of Steve Loewen, the motion carried.

UPDATES

• The Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) update was provided by Jon Marshall, Allen County Community College. He went over the 2019 TAAC Quality Assurance Subcommittee Report which has an overview of common data on transfer student success and completion. This report was presented at the Kansas Core Outcomes Groups (KCOG) conference on October 18th, 2019. Appreciation was given to KU for hosting this conference for the last two years, and Wichita State University has volunteered to host the KCOG conference for the next two years. Jon discussed that nine courses were recommended to be approved by the Board in January 2020. He noted that if these additional courses are approved this will bring the total to 100 approved System Wide Transfer courses. Jon discussed that there is no limit to the number of courses they can review, and he noted that Nebraska has around 300. Jon went over the data in the report and stated the complete 2019 KCOG Report will be available on our website. Jon stated that all 32 institutions share a common commitment to quality and the same criteria for accreditation, but each are evaluated individually.

Jon noted that the information he presented and discussed can be found on the KBOR website at: https://www.kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/transfer-articulation . He asked that this information be shared at the institutions, if possible. No questions were presented by the Committee.

- The Open Educational Resource Steering Committee (OER) update was provided by Samantha Christy-Dangermond, Director of Academic Affairs, Kansas Board of Regents. Sam stated the Committee has met twice since the last SCOCAO meeting and their next meeting is December 13, 2019. The Committee is currently working on:
 - 1. Updating the OER Action Plan, which originated with the Student Advisory Committee.
 - 2. Compiling and sharing information via google drive.
 - 3. Looking at the potential to join an Open Textbook Network to improve access, affordability, and academic success.
- The Kansas Council of Instructional Administrators (KCIA) update was provided by Brad Bennett, Colby Community College. Kansas Council of Instructional Administrators (KCIA) will have their spring meeting on February 18, 2020. The Council is currently working on:
 - 1. Finalizing a Chief Academic Officer Mentor program.
 - 2. An accreditation share process to do mock visits for upcoming Higher Learning Commission visits.
- The Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) Task Force update and guideline review was provided by Samantha Christy-Dangermond. Sam noted at their last meeting the task force heard three presentations on different forms of assessment for CPL.
 - 1. The Kansas Seal of Biliteracy
 - 2. Cambridge International Exams
 - 3. ACT Work-keys National Career Readiness Certificate

Sam stated the CPL Task Force annually reviews the CPL guidelines and updates them if there are changes to policies or new practices. She noted that feedback is always welcome. There were three main updates made:

- 1. Updated the appendix to include changes made to the credit by exam policy.
- 2. Included an appendix that has the CPL policy.
- 3. Added a section for awarding credit for military learning.
- The Performance Agreement update was provided by Samantha Christy-Dangermond. Sam stated she has been working on the new AY 2020-2021 Bridge Performance Agreements, and they are almost complete. BAASC will begin reviewing the AY 2020-2021 Bridge Performance Agreements in January 2020. Sam noted that today in BAASC they will review two of the AY 2018 reports.
- Karla Wiscombe went over Concurrent Enrollment Partnership (CEP) faculty qualifications. She stated Higher Learning Commission (HLC) faculty qualification information is included in the annual CEP report that will be presented in March. She noted that the BAASC Chair asked for an overview of the HLC faculty requirements for new BAASC members, so this will be presented to BAASC today. Karla discussed the new federal regulations that mention dual enrollment, and she believes this may be a long process to implement due to different accrediting bodies. She stated that it will be important in the future to be aware of any issues that may arise from the implementation.

Brad Bennett stated that these numbers do not reflect faculty on an educational plan for those institutions who have waivers. He noted this has caused confusion in the past. Karla further clarified that the report does include all CEP faculty. The asterisk indicates institutions with an approved waiver.

• Daniel Archer discussed proposed changes to the Board's policy on degrees. There are currently four associate degrees, and this policy will add an emerging fifth degree, Associate in Fine Arts. This was a first reading and no action was taken. Daniel noted that establishing the Associate in Fine Arts degree will create

opportunities for all institutions to explore expanding 2 PLUS 2 articulation agreements within fine arts disciplines.

ADJOURNMENT

Lori Winningham moved to adjourn the meeting. Following the second of Steve Loewen, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:54 a.m.