

**Council of Chief Academic Officers
MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

The January 17, 2024, Council of Chief Academic Officers (COCAO) meeting was called to order by Chair Debbie Mercer at 8:54 a.m. The meeting was held virtually through Zoom with an in-person option at the KBOR offices.

In Attendance:

Members:	Debbie Mercer, K-State	Jill Arensdorf, FHSU	Robert Klein, KUMC
	Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU	Howard Smith, PSU	Laura Stephenson Washburn
	Brent Thomas, ESU	Shirley Lefever, WSU	Karla Wiscombe, KBOR

Approval of Minutes

Jill Arensdorf moved to approve the December 13, 2023, meeting minutes, and Barb Bichelmeyer seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Council of Faculty Senate Presidents (CoFSP) Update

Don Von Bergen, Chair of Council of Faculty Senate Presidents, provided the update. The Council suggests the timing of the January Board meetings in the future not coincide with the first week of classes. They are determining criteria for the Faculty of the Year Award to be presented to KBOR soon.

Second Readings

Shirley Lefever presented the second reading for a BBA in Hospitality at WSU. Provost Lefever indicated K-State had communicated some concerns about the program and WSU has responded to those concerns. Barb Bichelmeyer moved to approve the proposal and Jill Arensdorf seconded. The motion passed unanimously, and the proposal will be reviewed by COPS today. If approved by COPS, the proposal will be reviewed at the next BAASC meeting.

Robert Klein and Jo Wick presented the second reading for a PhD in Clinical & Translational Science. The external review team provided a report on the proposal and KUMC addressed the team's minor concerns. Brent Thomas moved to approve, and Shirley Lefever seconded. The motion passed unanimously, and the proposal will be reviewed by COPS today. If approved by COPS, the proposal will be reviewed at the next BAASC meeting.

Other Requests

Barb Bichelmeyer presented a request for KU to create the Department of Clinical Child Psychology. Jill Arensdorf moved to approve, and Howard Smith seconded. The motion passed.

Shirley Lefever presented a request for WSU to change the name of the Department of Sport Management to the Department of Sport & Leadership Studies. Barb Bichelmeyer moved to approve, and Jill Arensdorf seconded. The motion passed.

Shirley Lefever presented a request for WSU to move the BA in Physical Education: K-12 from Human Performance Studies to the School of Education. Brent Thomas moved to approve and Howard Smith seconded. The motion passed.

Other Matters

Karla Wiscombe and Sam Christy-Dangermond discussed Program Review for AY 2024. The written reports

with recommendations are due April 19. Reports should include details supporting the recommendation and outlining expected outcomes for each program/recommendation. Details can be found on page 2 of the Program Review document provided. Sam will provide a template for the reports and requested they be submitted to her at schristy@ksbor.org. BAASC will review the reports at the May 15 meeting, and the Board will review and make a final decision on the programs on June 19.

Provosts discussed coming up with a list of agenda topics for the breakfast with the Board on February 15.

Adjournment

Barbara Bichelmeyer moved to adjourn the meeting, and Shirley Lefever seconded. With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned.