

**System Council of Chief Academic Officers  
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

The November 17, 2021 meeting of the System Council of Chief Academic Officers was called to order by Co-Chair Mickey McCloud at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held through Zoom.

**In Attendance:**

Members:	Mickey McCloud, JCCC Jill Arensdorf, FHSU Chuck Taber, K-State Shirley Lefever, WSU Michelle Schoon, Cowley CC	Aron Potter, Coffeyville CC Jerry Pope, KCKCC Corey Isbell, NCK Tech George Arasimowicz, ESU	Barbara Bichelmeyer, KU Mary Carol Pomatto, PSU JuliAnn Mazachek, Washburn Daniel Archer, KBOR
Staff:	Karla Wiscombe Tara Lebar Marti Leisinger	Amy Robinson Cindy Farrier Lisa Beck	Sam Christy-Dangermond April Henry Hector Martinez
Others:	Adam Borth, Fort Scott CC Elaine Simmons, Barton CC Janet Stramel, FHSU Jennifer Ball, Washburn Kim Krull, Butler CC Linnea GlenMaye, WSU Robert Klein, KUMC Scott Lucas, WSU Tech Stanton Gartin, SATC Tom Nevill, Butler CC Prasad Kulkarni, KU	Alysia Johnson, Fort Scott CC Gary Wyatt, ESU Jason Sharp, Labette CC Jennifer Roberts, KU Kim Morse, Washburn Luke Dowell, SCCC Monette DePew, Pratt CC Sharon Kibbe, Highland CC Tanya Gonzalez, KSU Kay Monk-Morgan, WSU Stuart Day, KU	Cindy Hoss, Hutchinson CC Jane Holwerda, Dodge City CC Jean Redeker, KU JoLanna Kord, ESU Kim Zant, Cloud County CC Mark Watkins, Labette CC Remy Lequesne, KU Shelly Gehrke, ESU Tiffany Bohm, KCKCC Michelle Carney, KU Taylor Crawshaw, Highland CC Sarah Robb, Neosho County CC

Co-Chair Mickey McCloud welcomed everyone. Roll call was taken for members and presenters.

**Approval of Minutes**

JuliAnn Mazachek moved to approve the September 15, 2021 meeting minutes, and Aron Potter seconded the motion. With no corrections, the motion passed.

**Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) and 2021 Kansas Core Outcomes Group (KCOG) Conference Update**

Tiffany Bohm provided the update. TAAC recently held the 2021 KCOG Conference and conducted a review of the event. TAAC members discussed the following changes for future KCOG conferences:

- Continue the virtual format
- Continue to allow faculty to participate in multiple courses but look at improving the registration process to clarify the maximum number of groups allowed for one person
- Continue review courses meeting through Zoom and avoid email reviews if possible

Groups reviewed 13 current Systemwide Transfer (SWT) courses and generated outcomes for six new SWT courses. TAAC approved the updated outcomes for 13 review courses and recommended six new courses for inclusion in SWT. These courses will be presented to the Board for approval in December. In January, the Chief

Academic Officers (CAOs) will be asked to certify their course information in Course Inventory.

TAAC is looking for a host for the upcoming 2022 and 2023 KCOG conferences.

### **Kansas Council of Instructional Administrators (KCIA) Update**

Mickey McCloud provided the update. KCIA last met on October 21. They discussed upcoming Systemwide Transfer courses, Excel in CTE funding details, Performance Reports, Open Educational Resource initiatives, and the Council addressed questions to the potential updates to General Education requirements. KCIA will next meet in Spring 2022.

### **Updated Placement/Assessment Guidelines**

Sam Christy-Dangermond provided a summary of updates to the Kansas Placement/Assessment Guidelines. The Placement Assessment Committee annually reviews and updates the guidelines, which can be found at [https://www.kansasregents.org/resources/PDF/2021\\_Placement\\_Assessment\\_Guidelines\\_Final.pdf](https://www.kansasregents.org/resources/PDF/2021_Placement_Assessment_Guidelines_Final.pdf).

Updates include:

- ACCUPLACER pricing on page 4,
- Adding high school grades and high school cumulative GPA to items that assist in helping assess reading, writing, and math skills of high school students on page 5,
- Emphasizing the use of high school GPA as an additional placement measure on page 6,
- Adding a new section on corequisite remediation on page 7; and
- Adding more research articles to the list of references.

### **Updated Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) Guidelines**

Tara Lebar provided a summary of updates to the CPL Guidelines. The CPL Taskforce met earlier in the year to review the guidelines, which can be found at

[https://www.kansasregents.org/resources/August\\_2021\\_Kansas\\_Credit\\_for\\_Prior\\_Learning\\_Guidelines.pdf](https://www.kansasregents.org/resources/August_2021_Kansas_Credit_for_Prior_Learning_Guidelines.pdf).

This task force is charged with updating and revising the guidelines as needed. Only minor language and formatting changes were updated for clarification purposes.

Updates include:

- Adding additions and clarifications to the definition list,
- Listing CPL Taskforce members; and
- CPL resources.

The CPL Taskforce still has room for five more community college representatives and one more technical college representative. You can reach out to Tara to submit a representative for consideration by November 19, 2021.

### **OER Update and 2022 OER Summit Information**

Tara Lebar provided the Open Educational Resources (OER) update. Six OER faculty workshops with 82 participants were held this fall semester. This brings the total faculty participation to 191 since last March. In each workshop participants learned about the impact that OER has on education and reducing costs to students. Following the workshop, faculty were invited to review an open textbook. Any participants submitting an online text review by the deadline would be eligible to receive a \$150 stipend payment. Tara noted there is now the option to provide the OER workshop in-person or virtually at institutions, and we have several experienced and qualified trainers willing to help facilitate. The stipends will continue to be offered with the workshops until funds are no longer available. Reach out to Tara if you would like more information on how to bring this workshop to your faculty.

The first annual Kansas OER Summit will be held on February 16-17, 2022. The conference is virtual, registration is free of charge, and it is open to everyone in higher education and K-12. Tara noted that on February 17<sup>th</sup>, there would be a session specifically for higher education administrators, and she encouraged those on the call to attend if possible. Registration is open and can be found at [https://www.kansasregents.org/academic\\_affairs/open-educational-resources/oer-conference](https://www.kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/open-educational-resources/oer-conference). Tara also asked for assistance in disseminating this information to anyone that may be interested.

**Next Meeting**

The next SCOCAO meeting is scheduled virtually for December 15, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

**Adjournment**

Michelle Schoon moved to adjourn the meeting, and Jill Arensdorf seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:58 a.m.