

System Council of Chief Academic Officers
MINUTES
Tuesday, June 18, 2024

The June 18, 2024, System Council of Chief Academic Officers (SCOCAO) meeting was called to order by Jesse Mendez and Mickey McCloud at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

In Attendance:

Members:	Mickey McCloud, JCCC	Jesse Mendez, K-State	Barbra Bichelmeyer, KU
	Brent Thomas, ESU	Melinda Roelfs, PSU	Jason Sharp, Labette CC
	Jill Arensdorf, FHSU	Beth Oniell, Washburn	Luke Dowell, Seward CCC
	Shirley Lefever, WSU	Brandon Galm, Cloud County CC	Scott Lucas, WSU Tech

Approval of Minutes

Brent Thomas moved to approve the May 15, 2024, meeting minutes. Barbra Bichelmeyer seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Systemwide Updates

- Karla Wiscombe introduced two new Transfer and Articulation Council members as provided by the Kansas of Chief Instructional Administrators; Jason Sharp, Labette Community College & Aron Potter, Coffeyville Community College; who are replacing Jane Holwerda & Tricia Paramore. She then provided the Transfer and Articulation Council (TAAC) Report. She shared that the co-chairs will remain the same for 2024-2025. The meetings will remain as they are currently scheduled, the week before board meetings at 2:00, and will resume early September to prepare for the KCOG conference October 11. She encourages faculty and administrators to attend the conference.
- Rusty Monhollon & Jenn Bonds-Raacke provided an update on Math Pathways. Dr. Bonds-Raacke started with a Systemwide General Education Council update. At their meeting on May 28 they reviewed a deviation request from KU Medical Center for the clinical laboratory science program. The council requested additional information from Dr. Klein, which is currently being reviewed. The council plans to give its recommendation at its June 25 meeting. They also continue with the development of a procedures guide. Finally, the council received an exception request from KU Med for the BA in Respiratory Care; Diagnostic Science; & Health Information Management to continue to require a specific general education course. This request was approved. Dr. Bonds-Raacke then provided a Math Pathways Task Force update. The task force met on May 21 to set goals for the next AY. These goals included the development of a FAQ guide and the creation of two subcommittees focusing on communication and corequisite support. The Course Placement Measures committee met on June 10 and will meet again on June 26. They have finalized the multiple measures recommendations for College Algebra. They will finalize the multiple measures recommendations for Contemporary Math and Elementary Statistics. Round one of the discipline gateway courses has been approved by the CAO's. The round two decisions are due by June 24. Dr. Monhollon ended by stating he would like to meet to discuss and review the metrics for the review process and will reach out to provosts to set up those meetings.
- Sam Christy-Dangermond provided an update on the Performance Agreements/Reports (English Course Placement). Reports are due by July 1. Sam has offered to review and provide feedback on any reports before final submissions. She will make sure any necessary edits can be made before the review by BAASC. There will be a request for English representatives to serve on an English Course Placement Committee. The preference will be for staff who are on a 12 month contract. An email will be sent out at the end of June or early July with more information.
- Mistie Knox provided a Reverse Transfer Update. She began by providing a description of the Reverse

Transfer process; which is retroactively granting associate degrees by combining credits from a community college or technical college with the credits earned at the Kansas public university the student has transferred to. She then provided a review of the history and board policy as it relates to reverse transfer. She shared some changes currently being worked on to provide clarity and simplification to the reverse transfer procedures. Mistie also encouraged institutions to update the contacts listed on the Systemwide Reverse Transfer institutional contacts list available on our website. The National Student Clearinghouse webinar is on July 2.

Other Matters

- Mike Werle provided an update on the KUMC BS Nursing expansion. The program will increase from 120 students to 150 students. This was approved by The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and will go into effect in the spring of 2025.

The next SCOCAO meeting will be held virtually in September.

Jill Arensdorf moved to adjourn the meeting; Luke Dowell seconded, and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 a.m.