

**MINUTES**  
**Faculty Senate Academic Affairs**  
**October 17, 2023, 3:30 pm**

**ZOOM ONLY: 442 684 782 or <https://ksu.zoom.us/j/442684782>**

**Present:** Grant Alford (APD), Andy Bennett (AS-Co-Chair), Elizabeth Berney (LIB), Hansin Bilgili (BA), Deborah Kohl (EXT), Joann Kouba (Ag), Kim Hiller (HHS), Shane Lyon (VM), Laurel Moody (GU), Sujatha Prakash (Term Appt), Drew Smith (TA), and Steve Warren (EN)

**Proxies:** Andy Bennett for Brandon Kliewer (ED-Co-Chair)

**Absent:** Jessica Binckley (SGA), Nicky Cassell (VM)

**Nonvoting liaisons:** none were present.

**Guests and/or visitors:** Paige Adams, Kate Digby, Tyler Henry, Marcia Hornung, Rod Howell, Angee Kraemer-Holland, Kristen Kremer, Karin Westman

1. Bennett called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm
2. The October 3, 2023, Academic Affairs minutes were approved as submitted.
3. Course Proposals:

**To view full proposals, see the Curriculum Agenda: <https://kstate.curriculog.com/agenda:2121/form>**

Art and Sciences	DANCE - 504 - Contemporary Dance Ensemble ENGL - 275 - Wild Lit HIST - 401 - History Workshop
Business Administration	GENBA - 145 - Business and Society
Education	EDCI 427 - Overview of Educational Studies EDCI 510 - Effective Communication in Educational Settings EDCI 514 - Leveraging Data in Ed. Settings
Health and Human Sciences	<del>HHS 205 - Career Readiness</del> ( <i>withdrawn at college's request</i> )
Olathe	AAI - 863 - Special Topics: Data Analytics and Insights in Animal Health AAI - 865 - Assessing Effectiveness of Animal Therapeutics and Vaccines AAI - 867 - Zoonotic Pathogens in the Food Chain

Motion was made by Alford and seconded by Prakash to approve the above courses. A typo regarding some spacing was noted in EDCI 510 and will be fixed. Motion carried.

4. New Curriculum Proposal(s):

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Arts and Sciences	Accelerated Chemistry (B.A./B.S.) Adult Learning and Leadership (M.S.)
Education	Computer Science Education
Olathe	Data Analytics and Insights in Animal Health
Technology & Aviation (Salina)	Accelerated Aeronautical Technology- PP(B.S.)/Aeronautics (M.S.) Accelerated B.S. Applied Business & Technology / M.S. Integrated Systems Design & Dynamics Accelerated B.S. Machine Learning & Autonomous Systems / M.S. Integrated Systems Design & Dynamics

Motion was made by Smith and seconded by Moody to approve the new curriculum proposals.  
Motion carried.

5. Expedited Proposals approved by colleges/Grad Council:

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Agriculture	AGED - 400 - Leadership and Professional Development in Agricultural Education AGRON - 503 - Emerging Topics in Agronomy GENAG - 511 - Occupational and Agricultural Health GENAG - 512 - Occupational and Agricultural Injury Prevention GENAG - 521 - Occupational and Agricultural Safety and Health Interventions
Business Administration	ACCTG - 896 - Accounting International Experience
Engineering	CIS - 415 - Ethics and Conduct for Computing Professionals

Motion was made by Prakash and seconded by Lyon to approve the new curriculum proposals.  
Motion carried.

6. Expedited Proposals approved by A&S (10-11):

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Arts and Sciences	CRIM - 582 - The Construction of the Criminal Mind DANCE - 120 - Contemporary Dance I DANCE - 165 - Ballet I DANCE - 323 - Contemporary Dance II DANCE - 324 - Contemporary Dance III MUSIC - 125 - K-State Singers MUSIC - 225 - Freshman Survey MUSIC - 365 - Conducting MUSIC - 390 - Special Studies in Music MUSIC - 399 - Honors Seminar MUSIC - 425 - Topics in Jazz MUSIC - 456 - Choral Conducting MUSIC - 457 - Instrumental Conducting MUSIC - 458 - Music in the Schools, PK-6 MUSIC - 459 - Music Programs in Middle School/High School MUSIC - 460 - Teaching Beginning Band and Jazz Techniques MUSIC - 461 - Advanced Studies in Music Education MUSIC - 470 – Songwriting MUSIC - 489 - Workshop in Music MUSIC - 498 - Honors Tutorial in Music MUSIC - 499 - Honors Project MUSIC - 510 - A Survey of Music Therapy PSYCH - 370 - Introduction to Behavioral Neuroscience PSYCH - 470 - Principles of Neuroscience SOCWK - 240 - Self-care for the Helping Professional
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Bennett shared that Arts and Sciences has been working to approve college-wide (or program requirements) and things are a bit delayed due to that. However, these expedited proposals were approved on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Even though they don't fall within the 10 calendar days between when they

were approved and this meeting, it was inquired whether these could be acted on today, given there does not seem to be anything controversial. Several of these changes were desired for Spring 2024 and that will not be possible if they are not approved at this meeting. No concerns were raised. Motion was made by Smith and seconded by Prakash to approve these expedited proposals. Motion carried.

7. New Microcredential programs – *informational*

Business Administration	Management Analytics: Research Methods in the Age of Artificial Intelligence (AI) (Microcredential): <a href="https://kstate.curriculog.com/proposal:10339/form">https://kstate.curriculog.com/proposal:10339/form</a>
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8. Committee Updates

A. Micro-credentialing – University Handbook language

There were no official updates, but there was conversation about noncredit microcredentials, and what the minimum amount of effort or work be involved. There are guidelines for credit bearing microcredentials, but we are seeing *some* noncredit microcredentials come through that do not seem to be enough. There is also a form global campus has proposers complete on digital badges. Comments were made by members and Bennett shared that the original viewpoint was that noncredit doesn't need FS input, but after further conversation it seemed appropriate to have that level of faculty involvement. It was noted that SUNY was referenced as well indicating the same thought. A compromise to the initial pushback was that the co-chairs of FS AAC, the FS president, and the dean of global campus, or grad school dean (if grad), approve these term noncredit microcredentials. Other comments were shared, such as that something could perhaps be continuing ed versus a microcredential. A common thought was a 2-hour course (in total) should not be considered a microcredential. However, it was noted that as other colleges start launching their microcredentials this can help provide additional data, including how each credential is being handled, and then after more data is received, a better conclusion could be reached.

9. 23-24 Committee work (ongoing and/or new)

A. Course components – action item (approve to be expedited routing)

Based on last meeting's discussion, Bennett asked if there was a motion to approve these types of changes to course components as expedited. A motion was made by Berney and seconded by Kouba to approve these to be expedited routing. Motion carried.

B. Undergraduate Post Bacc minors in general – future of these

Bennet shared that the Registrar provided some data on these after our last meeting. In the last ten years about 80 students in total have received a post baccalaureate minor. This, no doubt, will add to the consideration of these for future.

10. Committee Reports

A. CAPP (Committee on Academic Policies and Procedures) – Kliewer (written report below)

Bennett shared Kliewer's report and committee members discussed it.

- Discussion of the idea of "in-major minors" as a way to navigate changes to gen ed associated with K-State Core. Policy language from the University Handbook, F160 was also shared (A minor program will require completion of at least fifteen (15) designated credit hours of required course work outside of the major). There then seemed to be growing interest using certificates to navigate K-State Core changes.
  - Warren supplemented this with a bit of additional information. They are, in short, trying to add meaningful coursework for students, perhaps within bucket 7.
- Graduation list retro conferral – business process (for future FS AAC agenda for action)
  - There was brief conversation about conferring degrees and the reasons why there are retro conferrals. This will be on a future agenda.

B. Curriculog Team

Ms. Laberge shared information with members about the revised forms for curriculum changes related to majors. For this year only, committee members will need to heavily review the rationale field as much of the changes will not be readily seen as colleges are importing courses into a new template. It was discussed that members will perhaps meet in between this meeting and the next to go over how best to review these. There may need to be some time spent at the beginning of the next meeting as well.

C. Library – Grant Alford

No report.

11. Announcements and/or for the good of the University

Bilgili shared out some initial information to members about how faculty in their college will be compensated for microcredentials – and noted this will be based on enrollment number. Brief conversation ensued.

Berney reminded ones about provide feedback on Elsevier journals as the contract is being reviewed (<https://www.k-state.edu/today/announcement/?id=92291>). Feedback can be provided until the end of the month to determine what's important.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Next meeting: November 7, 2023, 3:30 pm; Zoom: <https://ksu.zoom.us/j/442684782>