

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE OF KANSAS COLLEGE COUNCIL – MINUTES

Wednesday, June 29, 2022 @ 1:08 p.m., RBC-AC-20

Present: Lenny Favara, Katy Potter, Matthew Malone, Doug Vanderhoof, LeAnn Moore, Enrique Barreiro, Lara Vanderhoof, David Ferrell, Cathy Brown and Hannah Litwiller

Absent: Kyle Moody

- I. Call to Order
 - A. The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:08pm.
 - B. Welcome to Dr. Lara Vanderhoof, the new Chief Academic Officer.
- II. Devotion
 - A. The Chair shared some insights from his current reading of Jonah.
- III. Approve Minutes.

The Chair asked for any corrections or modifications to the May 11, 2022. Hearing no modifications or objections, the Minutes were approved through unanimous consent.

- IV. President's Report
 - A. KBOR Kansas Comprehensive Grant
 - KBOR decided KICA schools will receive 38% for Kansas Comprehensive Grant instead of 50%.
 However, there will be a requirement to have matched funds. We received this ruling so late, so we cannot adjust and do not have new funds to match.
 - 2. President is writing senators/representatives.
- V. Old Business/Action Items
 - A. Refund Policy Recommendation [Business Affairs Committee] Pending BAC review.
 - B. SIS Recommendation [SIS Review Committee] Pending
 - 1. Update: Anthology reported another scenario that breaks out the SIS student portion from the Finance (payroll/HR) as an implementation. It does reduce the cost, but it still would be \$40K a month over three years for implementation.
 - 2. Any way to include in the campaign the SIS issue? Will donors give to this? President would like to discuss with the Executive Director of the Foundation.
 - C. ERISA Compliance Verification [Business Affairs] Pending on Auditors
 - Draft Charter possibly for the P&P Manual
 - D. Earned Income Credit [Business Affairs Benefits Committee]
 - 5500 update: Due to a letter from the Department of Labor, the CFO has engaged an audit for 2019 and 2020 year and then 2021 current year, then will go back to doing old ones. We have a 45 day window.

E. Policies & Procedures Manual

- GA Policy [Business Affairs]
 - a) The Business Affairs Committee provided a finalized GA Policy to the College Council. After a few questions and discussion, the policy was affirmed by the College Council to be added to the Policies and Procedures Manual.
- 2. MLK Day vs. President's Day Off
 - a) The President provided a response to the decision of the College Council to keep MLK Day as a "Day Off". His response was received by the College Council, with agreement to intentionally seek program opportunities around MLK Day to engage the campus community on the intent of MLK Day.

VI. New Business

A. BPU Policy

- CCCK maintains a standing agreement with BPU to assist with the demands for when local electricity becomes too great. This is for cost savings and stewardship. It's never been stated to employees or in policy.
- 2. The COO will check BPU's agreement and see if RD apartments, 4-plex and tri-plex are included. Could this give credence to have asking to not shut down since it's a living space?
- 3. The College Council affirmed the policy to be added to the Policies & Procedures Manual.

B. Endorse College Catalog

1. The Chair has asked to table the Catalog until the Faculty Senate can confirm acceptance. Without objection, the endorsement of the Catalog has been tabled.

C. Juneteenth

- Juneteenth has become a Federal recognized holiday. It is a day of remembrance and celebration, the Chair has requested the Council to recognize it like any other federal holiday that is on a weekend. Discussion followed.
 - a) A motion was made to recognize Juneteenth in alignment with other federal holidays, allowing employees to commemorate following a weekend date. The motion was seconded. Unanimous Consent. Go to President for approval.

D. Clarifications

1. Meal Options – no changes for 22-23. Call attention to meal options for 23-24 school year within the first few months of school. How can we utilize the cafe and keep open longer during the day?

2. Lifestyle Covenant

a) The CSEO and President are looking at the current lifestyle covenant. This comes from FMCUSA and mandates that our hiring policies are in alignment with denominationally held lifestyle expectations.

VII. Constituent Reports.

Constituent Reports provide an opportunity for principal liaisons to provide succinct updates that may be of importance to the collective interests of the College community. Specific matters may be discussed or tabled to ensure that there is opportunity for inclusive and transparent dialog designed to enhance the mission, vision, and core values of the institution.

A. Student Affairs - CSEO

- 1. Code of Character
- 2. Athletic Handbook need to review
- 3. Working on hiring of full-time Athletic Director and SID
- 4. Need to hire a RD (family or spousal situation)
- 5. Working on Student Success Coordinator job description

B. Athletics - CSEO

- 1. Price increase for game day officials and it may affect budget.
- 2. New score board on soccer fields.
- 3. President recognized pockets of funds for softball, baseball, soccer, etc., and finish projects for volleyball, basketball and wrestling. We are in the process.
- 4. President asked AD to bring coaches together to discuss possible responses to the perceived increase of costs that will be realized this year.

C. Business Affairs

- 1. End of year PLEASE bring invoices or cash to business office.
- 2. July 1 doesn't mean NEW cash. Funds are tight through July-August.
- 3. July 13th preaudit remote work, September on campus.
- 4. Audit FA Audit new title IV finding and need an additional LOC with bank.
- 5. Annual RAN Loan finalized \$500K
- 6. Aware: New update: Potential Dept of Labor Oct 22 FLSA Salary Minimum waiting for adjustments for January 1, 2023.

D. Operational Affairs

1. Admissions

- a) Enrollment Numbers: Cautiously optimistic net active deposits are high.
- b) Incentive idea hitting the mark est. 155 new students and 146 returning
- c) Losing a week for FMYC
- d) New Admissions Counselor Hilario Garcia is going at it.
- e) No serious inquiries for Enrollment Director.

2. General Operations

- a) Purchase orders for score boards and scorer tables.
 - (1) Gift from Odermann family for entire cost of scorer table in memory of Ellis Odermann.
- b) Work Week 250 Hours
- c) 2 accepted offers on houses to sell
- d) Little movement on claims of roofs.
- 3. IT
 - a) Windows 10 updates
 - b) Wiring for Kline and Gillespie for security cameras
- E. Administrative Services Social Committee Policy and Workshop

PRESIDENTIAL RESPONSE: MLK DAY

Submitted to the College Council by Dr. Leonard F. Favara (June 24, 2022)

It is my firm belief that Central Christian College of Kansas, in light of its mission, legacy, and purpose should rightfully consider Martin Luther King Jr. Day as a "Day On", not a "Day Off". Based on the College Council's response to my request to consider modifying the day off, moving it to February so that we could be more intentional in our celebration of MLK Day, I remain unconvinced that the decision of the College Council is in the best interest of our campus community.

In proposing that we maintain MLK Day as active on the Academic Calendar, I considered the following:

- The intent and purpose of MLK Day;
- Respect for our Black (and minority) student population, recognizing that by *doing nothing* (assuming personal responsibility), devalued the intent of a day held cherished by this population.
- Education for the entire campus community, recognizing that regardless of race, this day should be cherished and revered by all due to the influence of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. IN other words, MLK is not a Black holiday.
- Faculty, Staff, and Students just recently returned from an extended break over the winter holidays, which commonly spans from Christmas Eve through the New Year. So, the need for a break was not imperative.
- There are no current "days off" in the month of February. Therefore, moving the day off from January to February would provide the campus community with a break a bit further out from winter break, where it might be most beneficial.

I offer the following as an amplification of some of these considerations.

Unlike any other national (federal) holiday, MLK Day is specifically identified as a national day of service. This unique designation compels us to consider an alternative approach to how we engage this day. As Martin Luther King Jr. observed, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?"

It is my assertion that the majority perspective of the population at Central Christian College of Kansas may unintentionally be placing a greater emphasis on the "right" to time-off over the "responsibility" for civic action – "doing for others".

This is understandable, not just because of our racial profile as college, but also because of the quandary caused by the interplay of serving as custodial overseers of student development, while also recognizing the employment obligations of those who serve at CCCK.

As a *corporation* I believe that we can recognize the value of rewarding employees with breaks. Nothing in my request was meant to alter that priority, which is why the proposed modification sought to *move* the day, not *remove* the day. Alternatively, as a liberal arts institution (with an abiding Wesleyan perspective), we also have an obligation to leverage opportunities to amplify the civic dimensions of our educational experience – as a force for the public good.

For arguments sake, why is it that we, in this one case, assume that the campus community will deliberately engage the purpose of this day when we do not assume this is any other aspect of our experiences? If we truly believe that students (and other members of the campus community) bear a bent

to intentionally engage such opportunities then why do we require things like chapel participation or class attendance? If we can assumedly rely on individuals to truly embrace the intent of MLK, then perhaps we should presume this is true for all activities and functions that are designed to declare Christ, improve character, and challenge toward civic engagement.

In conclusion, I would ask that the College Council and Faculty Senate reconsider its position on MLK Day. I do recognize that in its ruling, the College Council did offer possible ways that MLK Day could be observed. However, the lack of clarity or finality to those suggestions did little to assuage my concerns. I remain troubled that we have no intentional plan to engage the campus community.

It would also be worthwhile to note that I am not adamant in my position about the singular issue of "Day On" or "Day Off". While I am insistent that we, as a college community, seek to define intentional programmed opportunities to engage the intent of MLK Day, how that is done (and when) is negotiable. Whether we chose that day, a day, the week, or in some other form or forum appropriate to the holiday, the essential concern is that we engage.

I look forward to entertaining ideas.

Respectfully,

Leonard F. Favara, Jr., Ph.D. (Rev.)

President

Central Christian College of Kansas