

**Student Affairs Director Meeting
December 4, 2025**

Minutes

Present: Dennis King, Joey Linn, David Bollig, Brett Meyer, Kelsi Broadway, RJ Schnack, Jon Armstrong, Amy Schaffer, Edie McCracken, Craig Karlin, Chantelle Arnold, and Chris Gist

Traveling Trophy

- The Division of Student Affairs Traveling Trophy was presented to Matt Cook, Assistant Athletic Director.
- Matt accepted the Director of the Hays Rec and will be leaving Fort Hays in January.
- Joey thanked Matt for his collaboration with Student Affairs and his continued support through Hays Rec.

Academic Affairs Update

- Two new degree proposals will be submitted to KBOR and HLC for approval. The first degree is a BA in Religious Education and Community Engagement that will be reviewed at the December KBOR meeting. If approved, FHSU will be able to start offering the program in Fall 2026. Another program proposal being worked on is a BS in Financial Forensics and Fraud Investigation with a March 2026 timeline to be approved by HLC. The programs cannot be marketed until they are approved by HLC. Both degree programs will be available on-campus and online. Another program in the work is performance based on education. Learn while earning concept will allow students to work full-time in a school and use their experience to gain a degree. It will be launched as a pilot program.
- Jill has received the draft policy for the reduced bachelorette degree.

VP Update

- Duo Update
 - Mark Griffin gave an update at Cabinet that the Duo authentication will be going away next year. Emails will be sent out to staff and students with the new authentication process.

Enrollment Leadership Update

- Intersession registration is slightly down in headcount and SCH.
- Spring registrations look strong.
- Chantelle and the Financial Aid staff will be releasing the 2026-27 financial aid packages by March 1, 2026.
- All Kansas community colleges will be offering a new scholarship program.
- A KAMS student has been accepted to MIT. This is the second KAMS student admitted to MIT.

Residential Life Update

- Finals Week Feeding Frenzy
 - Sunday, December 7 from 9 to 10:30 pm in McMindes Café.
- Contract numbers for 2026-2027.
 - Opened on November 11. By end of November 2025, 1,042 applications. End of Nov 2024 790. Up 252 applications.

FHSU Online Graduate Reception

- Friday, December 12 from 1 to 3 pm
- Stouffer Lounge, Memorial Union

Search/Staffing Updates

- Admissions
 - Three positions are vacant currently.
- Student Engagement
 - An offer has been made for the Administrative Specialist position. The Coordinator position will be posted before the holiday break.

For the Good of the Order

- Student Employee Database
 - Just a reminder as the semester ends to keep the Student Employee database updated.

Tour of Tebo Library

- Meeting was adjourned for a tour of Tebo Library with Ginger Williams.

The next Student Affairs Director meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 29 at 1:30 pm.