Transfer and Articulation Oversight Committee (TAOC)
Quarterly Meeting

June 15, 2022
Minutes

The quarterly meeting of the Pennsylvania Transfer and Articulation Oversight Committee (TAOC) met on June 15, 2022, via MS Teams videoconference.

I.   Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Tanya I. Garcia, Deputy Secretary and Commissioner for Postsecondary and Higher Education, welcomed all the TAOC members at the meeting and turned over the meeting to Ms. Lynette Kuhn, Chief of the Division of Higher Education, Access, and Equity, to provide updates and lead discussion on multiple projects in progress.

II.   Act 76 of 2019 PIMS Data Reporting. Ms. Kuhn provided the following updates:

The deadline for student Opt-out on reporting was June 15, and PDE will work with the institutions to ensure that lists will be sent in the most secure manner possible. No SSN or PII will be included other than the student name and the school.

PASecureID trainings were held on June 1, 8, and 10. The slide deck and FAQ were also sent to all participants and TAOC representatives after the trainings.

Training for data reporting elements will be held June 27 (2:00 p.m.), June 28 (11:00 a.m.), and July 12 (1:00 p.m.). All are welcome to attend all three sessions. In addition, beginning July 13, at 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday, through September 28, weekly Q&As on the reporting process will be held. These trainings are different from the PASecureID trainings and will focus on processes such as how to upload documents and data elements. Ms. Kuhn reminded the attendees that individuals responsible for reporting must have a current Keystone ID and Local Security Administrator to gain access to PIMS.

Data manuals, along with trainings, are all posted [2021-22 PIMS TAOC Manual Volume 1 (pa.gov)](#) and Ms. Michelle Simmons emailed the slide decks plus questions to everyone on the Act 76 reporting email list. Ms. Kuhn added that if anyone has been receiving duplicate emails or want to add anyone else to the list, please contact her (lykuhn@pa.gov).

Finally, Ms. Kuhn reminded everyone that any new or expired articulation agreements should be sent to Ms. Simmons for updating PDE's Act 76 of 2019 web page ([Act 76 Articulation Agreements](#)).

III.   P2P Agreements. Ms. Kuhn reported that P2P agreement subcommittees have been established and are working on the six disciplines established by the Steering Committee: Education, Computer Science, Business, Psychology, Biology, and Social Work. She thanked the Steering Committee members for their work in identifying faculty for the subcommittees and for providing guidance on a number of issues.

Of the six agreements, Ms. Kuhn has received four draft updated agreements and expects the other shortly. To ensure as much feedback as possible, she will be sending out drafts to everyone on the list of faculty members originally provided before forwarding them to the full TAOC for public comments. She anticipates public comments to occur in late August-early September. Drafts are being sent out next week, with a due date of mid-July. Phase Two will not be launched until the completion of Phase One.

Dr. Kathleen Howley noted that the Steering Committee collected the named of faculty members from all the community colleges and PASSHE member universities. Will the draft agreements be sent out to all those names? Ms. Kuhn responded in the affirmative. In addition, Dr. Diane Jacobs requested that TAOC representatives be CC'd on those emails.

IV. Framework Course Subcommittees. Ms. Kuhn reported that emails have been sent to the faculty members on the original subcommittee to gauge interest in participation, but she also is seeking nominations and volunteers. She will send out an email calling for nominations in mid-August, with final nominations by mid-end September. The goal is for the subcommittee to begin its work in October-November time frame.

Dr. Libby Yeager noted that a big question for the subcommittee is how the new PASSHE transfer policy will affect its work. For example, perhaps framework courses will not need to be included in P2P agreements. Ms. Kuhn responded that this was a good example for the subcommittee to consider and encouraged attendees to submit nominations for the subcommittee.

Dr. Howley added that perhaps P2P agreements should be policy statements, which might streamline the process. Ms. Kuhn opened the floor for discussion on this issue and suggested that the question be proposed to the full TAOC for a vote. The vote would propose in the P2P agreement that receiving institutions would respect the general-education transfer credits from the transferring institution, that all would be accepted, with a caveat specific to certain majors. It was agreed that Ms. Kuhn would reach out to representatives from each sector to draft a statement for the proposal.

V. Credit for Prior Learning. Ms. Gina Wetten reported that Wave 3 Credit awaits Math DSST standards. The subcommittee continues to work on standards, awaiting the response from Prometrics. She reminded the attendees that the CPLE entry deadline is June 30.

VI. TAOC Contacts Spreadsheet. Ms. Kuhn informed the attendees that contact spreadsheets would be sent to all TAOC representatives the week of July 4 with the request to return with any updates, corrections, etc.

Ms. Kuhn then opened the meeting for discussion and questions.

Dr. Jacobs asked about the next series of P2P agreements. Ms. Kuhn responded that the Steering Committee would like to have Phase One completed before beginning Phase Two. However, the proposed majors for Phase Two are chemistry, communications, English, mathematics & statistics, history, and sociology. The final list will be sent to the full committee before the work begins, and Ms. Kuhn suggested that, meanwhile, TAOC representatives begin thinking of faculty members to nominate for the subcommittees.

Dr. Howley brought up the curriculum revision process in light of the agreement updates. She noted that the last time, the process "tripped up" transferring institutions and asked about the timeline for the curriculum review process, specifically when it needs to be aligned in time for graduating students. Ms. Kuhn responded that she would bring up the issue with the Steering Committee to determine a timeline for the process.

With a thank you from Dr. Garcia for everyone's participation today, the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

The next quarterly meeting is September 21, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Attachment
Attendees – June 15, 2022

Staff

Garcia, Tanya I.	Deputy Secretary and Commissioner for Postsecondary and Higher Education
Kuhn, Lynette	Chief, Division of Higher Education, Access, and Equity
Wetten, Gina	Higher Education Associate II, Division of Higher Education, Access, and Equity

Attendees

Todd, Karen	AcademyOne
Heid, Jessica	Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
Bergen, Debora	Bucks County Community College
Seutter, Jody	Bucks County Community College
Owens, Natacia	Butler County Community College
Richardson, Belinda	Butler County Community
Gmutza, Kaylee	California University of Pennsylvania
McClintock, Elizabeth	Carlow University
Stevens, Stephanie	Cheyney University of Pennsylvania
Gatesman, Rob	Clarion University of Pennsylvania
Jacobs, Diane M.	Community College of Allegheny County
Luckers, Lynette	Delaware County Community College
Moscariello, Dawn	Delaware County Community College
Bajor, Bill	East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania
McCarthy, Sheila	Edinboro University of Pennsylvania
Marti, Roberto	Harrisburg Area Community College
Peffley, Kate	Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
Musti, Kelly	Lackawanna College
Ayrton, Jamie	Lehigh Carbon Community College
McDermit, Meisha	Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania
Yeager, Libby	Luzerne County Community College
Charles, Katy	Millersville University of Pennsylvania
Hutchinson, Alison	Millersville University of Pennsylvania
Rapp, Dannielle	Millersville University of Pennsylvania
Murphy, Kimberly	Montgomery County Community College
Pense, Christine	Northampton Community College
Riccardi, Richard	PASSHE System Office
Bolden, Elizabeth	Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges
Adams, Jeff	Pennsylvania State University
Bolt, Lindsay	Pennsylvania State University
Johnson, Melissa	Pennsylvania State University
Coots, Kevin	Reading Area Community College
Zeglen, Eric	Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
Demo, Christopher	Temple University
Matthews, Mark	University of Pittsburgh
Auld, Josh	West Chester University
Howley, Kathleen	West Chester University of Pennsylvania

Yannick, Lisa	West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Bishop, Kristy	Westmoreland County Community College
Loffredo, Maria	Westmoreland County Community College