**KANSAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY**

**Online Advisory Council**

**Wednesday, February 26, 2020**

**Present:** Bill Backlin (Chair), Lonnie Booker, John Burchill, Jasmin Dauner, Annie Hoekman,

 Jamie Kootz, Shaelin Sweet, & Jerri Zweygardt

**Absent:**  All members present.

**Call to Order:** William Backlin (Chair) called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in PH-325.

**Unfinished Business:**

* No unfinished business.

**New Business:**

* **C-RAC Criteria and Analysis/Evidence**: Dr. Backlin and committee members discussed the following concerns and/or challenges:
	+ Whether KWU’s mission statement addresses the online learning environment.
	+ The need to have an “online mission statement”.
	+ The need to develop online goals for our students and the institution.
	+ Demonstration of having an appropriate level of quality in online courses.
	+ Faculty role in the design and implementation of its online learning offerings.
	+ Academic rigor being evidenced in current set of online courses.
	+ Appropriate training of faculty who teach in the online environment.
	+ Adequate student support: tutoring, technology, etc.
	+ ADA compliance.
	+ Having an ADA policy for online education.
* **ADA Compliance for Online Education Policy Draft – Review:** Dr. Backlin present a partial document that evidenced practices in place at the University of Washington (UW). Due to the scope of this topic, a policy draft was not presented at this meeting due to the multiplicity of federal law and expectations. Further investigation was necessary. Dr. Backlin stated that he would provide a full list of expectations to the committee in March based on UW practices. Great concern was expressed by committee members whether KWU had the human capital and resources to support and execute practices that complied with federal law. This will be discussed more fully at the March meeting.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, March 25, at 3:00 p.m. in PH-325

**Adjournment:** With no further business to address, Bill Backlin (Chair) adjourned the meeting at 4:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. William Backlin

Academic Dean/OAC Chair/Meeting Recorder