

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD
To the
OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

MINUTES

Sunday, February 28, 2016
1:00 p.m.

University of Central Oklahoma
Nigh University Center, Mary Fallin Room
100 North University Drive
Edmond, OK 73034

1. Call to Order. Notice that meeting has been filed and posted in accordance with Open Meetings Act

2. Announcement of Quorum

Members Present: Alex Byron, Matt Chuning and Haley Griggs. Members not present: Taylor Gregory, Anna Rouw and Sarah Stewart. One of the seats representing 2-year institutions is vacant. A quorum was not present.

3. Recognition of Invited Guests

Apart from the invited presenters, no guests were present.

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings – Approval of January 31, 2016

Motion by Matt for approval, second by Alex, no objections.

5. Update on Oklahoma Student Government Association/Council of Student Presidents Spring Congress and Elections – Heather Wallace, President, Oklahoma Student Government Association.

Heather was not able to attend, so Debbie Terlip gave a brief summary of the elections at the Spring Congress. Heather Wallace was reelected as President of OSGA. New SAB members were elected to represent the four-year institutions, the two-year institutions, and a private institution. OU and OSU will need to get members selected for the upcoming year, and Debbie asked Alex and Matt to help monitor this. The OSGA also passed legislation, which should be described at the next SAB meeting.

6. Faculty Advisory Council - Dr. Debra Stuart, Vice Chancellor for Educational Partnerships, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; Jarrad R. Wagner, Chair, Faculty Advisory Council and Associate Professor, Forensic Sciences, Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences; and J.J. Compton, Member, Faculty Advisory Council and Associate Prof. of Tech Services & Archives, Tom & Ada Beam Library, Oklahoma Christian University

Dr. Debra Stuart of the State Regents is a constant member on the Faculty Advisory Council, but faculty rotate every few years. They convene these meetings to represent faculty viewpoints across the Oklahoma state higher education institutions. A poll is sent out to faculty senates in

each university and this survey was recently revamped. The results of these surveys are used to develop a work plan. There are 6 work plan goals right now: quality of learning; quality of teaching, including remediation; campus safety; the state system of higher education; college success, including a concern for high fees; and communication between universities at the faculty level.

7. Access and Persistence – Common Education Academic Standards, Math Initiative, and Corequisite Remediation Models in English and Mathematics – Dr. Debra Stuart, Vice Chancellor for Educational Partnerships, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Math has changed in college over the decades. The math standards for entry level math have lowered as colleges have added more degrees available to students. The primary goals of the Math Success Initiative are to improve mathematics preparation of students entering college, reform mathematics remediation to be more effective, strengthen mathematics preparation for all majors. They seek to hold regular local conversations between high school teachers and college faculty including curriculum alignment in mathematics, science crossovers, and teaching persistence. They have also recently implemented the Pathways to Completion program with three corequisite models.

8. Higher Education Funding and Complete College America Initiative – Tony Hutchinson, Vice Chancellor for Strategic Planning and Analysis and Workforce and Economic Development, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Complete College America is an initiative funded by some large foundations with concern about the decline of the college attainment rate in the U.S. compared to the rest of the world. The goal of these programs is to improve the retention and graduation rates in Oklahoma for the ultimate goal of improving the workforce for the state economy. Currently, only 2 out of every three students finish higher education that they start. Many go to community college for a year or two before going to comprehensive universities.

9. Discussion of Proposal of Recommendations and Campus Visits

Members briefly discussed their plans for campus visits.

10. Determination of Agenda for Next Meeting

Matt asked for time on the next agenda for the members to discuss their ideas for proposals in detail. Debbie said representatives from the State Regents would be invited to only discuss the current legislative progress and campus safety.

11. New Business. Consideration of other matters not known or not reasonably foreseen prior to the time of agenda posting.

Debbie Terlip reminded everyone of the upcoming tuition hearing conducted by the State Regents on Thursday, April 21st. Matt said he planned to attend and speak.

12. Adjournment