

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD
to the
OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

MINUTES

Sunday, February 25, 2018

1:00 p.m.

University of Central Oklahoma
Room 207, Old North Building
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

Kim Bishop, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. with a quorum of 7 members present

Members Present: Kimberley Bishop, Traeton Dansby, Brayden Farrell, Kailey Kelpine, Zachary Pearson, Trent Ratterree and Colleen Yoder.

3. Recognition of Invited Guests

Dr. Debbie Blanke, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; Dr. Jim Heflin, Cameron University, and Chair, Faculty Advisory Council; Mr. Joel Dean, Government Relations and Workforce Development Coordinator, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; and Tyrance Billingsley, President, Oklahoma Student Government Association

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings –Minutes of December 3, 2017 were approved.

5. Report on Oklahoma Student Government Association/Council of Student Presidents Spring Congress – Tyrance Billingsley, President, Oklahoma Student Government Association

Mr. Billingsley informed the members that Spring Congress was a success with 137 students and administrators present. The Board of Directors was able to reduce the cost due to Fall Congress being cancelled. A new Board of Directors was elected and will resume their duties at the scheduled April 8th meeting. All needed documentation will be transferred via Google Docs.

6. Faculty Advisory Council - Dr. Debbie Blanke, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; and Dr. Jim Heflin, Cameron University, and Chair, Faculty Advisory Council

Dr. Heflin informed Student Advisory Board that the Faculty Advisory Council has fourteen members: four from research universities, four from regional universities, four from community colleges and two from independent colleges and provided each student with the 2017 Annual Report. In the report was a short synopsis of the FAC work plan and their activities for the year. It was explained that the

Faculty Advisory Council has focused on diversity on campus, sustainability, veteran student services, student preparedness and communication among faculty. After discussing in detail about campus safety with Dr. Heflin and Dr. Blanke, they agreed to write a joint resolution with the Student Advisory Board, to the Regents regarding gun violence on campus. He also discussed that faculty raises were an important issue for the FAC because faculty has not seen an increase in salary in recent years.

7. Legislative Update – Mr. Joel Dean, Government Relations and Workforce Development Coordinator, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Mr. Dean handed out a packet of paper that had all the current bills being discussed in the state legislature. He provided more details about certain bills that specifically affect Higher Education and gave his opinion on whether the bill would pass or not. When asked what bills were being supported by his group, he stated that they will back anything that brings in new revenue with no personal bias. He also suggested that the Student Advisory Board members were welcome to come visit and discuss any piece of legislation that concerned them, with him, at the Oklahoma State Capitol.

8. Discussion of Campus Visits

Ms. Kelpine updated to group on her visit with student leaders from Oklahoma State University, Northern Oklahoma College, Seminole State College, Eastern Oklahoma State, Western Oklahoma State College, Oklahoma Baptist University, Carl Albert State College, Tulsa Community College, East Central University, Oklahoma Christian University, Connors State College, Northwestern Oklahoma State University, University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University in Oklahoma City, Murray State College, Northeastern State University, Oklahoma City Community College, University of Central Oklahoma, Redlands Community College, and Northeastern Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College during her attendance at the Nigh Leadership Academy.

9. Determination of Agenda for Next Meeting, including Proposals for Recommendations

The following suggestions were made regarding recommendations to the Regents: DACA students and their status in schools, Title IX issues, keeping gun safety the status quo, importance of Oklahoma's Promise, campus safety, travel ban for school faculty, remedial classes, emergency procedures, student athletes, and trigger warning/ PTSD in the classroom.

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

11. Adjournment

There being no new business, the meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.