

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
Research Park, Oklahoma City

A G E N D A
SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 9, 2011 – 10 a.m.
State Regents' Conference Room
655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City
Vice Chairman Marlin "Ike" Glass, Presiding

1. **Announcement of filing of meeting notice and posting of the agenda in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.**
2. **Call to Order.** Roll call and announcement of quorum.
3. **2012 Public Agenda.** Approval of the State Regents' public agenda. Page 1.
4. **E&G Budget Needs for FY2013.** Approval of FY2013 Systemwide Budget Need. Page 3.
5. **2012 Legislative Agenda.** Approval of the State Regents' legislative agenda. Page 5.
6. **Comments from the Presidents.** Members of the Council of Presidents will have comments.
7. **Executive Session.**

Possible vote to go into executive session pursuant to Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, Section 307(B)(4), for confidential communications between a public body and its attorneys concerning pending investigations, claims or actions.

Return to open session.

8. **Announcement of Next Regular Meeting— The next regular meetings are scheduled to be held on Wednesday, November 30 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, December 1 at 9 a.m. in Oklahoma City.**
9. **Adjournment.**

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AGENDA ITEM #3:

Public Agenda.

SUBJECT: Approval of the State Regents' 2012 Public Agenda.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the State Regents approve the 2012 Public Agenda, as described below.

BACKGROUND:

The public agenda is developed to provide a better understanding of the critical policy issues, goals and objectives that shape the direction of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. It is based on the needs of the state as identified through the ongoing strategic planning process and it describes the major initiatives that are in place to achieve policy objective.

POLICY ISSUES:

These actions are is consistent with the State Regents' policy.

ANALYSIS:

The 2012 Public Agenda sets the goals and objectives that will allow Oklahoma to increase its education workforce, increase the number of college graduates and better compete globally.

The Objectives to meet these goals are:

- Implement Complete College America Initiative.
- Enhance capacity to successfully enroll, retain and graduate students.
- Increase systemwide efficiencies and cost savings.
- Strengthen financial support for Oklahoma college students.
- Improve instructional quality.
- Utilize performance funding to enhance student success and academic quality.
- Broaden economic development activities.
- Advance access to and quality of technologies to support systemwide programs and services.

The Systems' key initiatives include:

- Complete College America
- College Access Challenge Grant Program
- Oklahoma Promise
- Reach Higher

- OKcollegestart.org
- OK EPAS
- Cooperative Alliances
- Concurrent Enrollment
- OneNet

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AGENDA ITEM #4:

Budget Request.

SUBJECT: Approval of FY13 of appropriations request.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the State Regents approve a request for state appropriations for FY13 in the amount of \$979,985,684, representing an increase of \$34.7 million or 3.7 percent for support of the State System.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Article 13-A, §2 and the State Budget Law, O.S. 62 §41.29, the State Regents are required to determine a budget needs recommendation for presentation to the Oklahoma Legislature and the Governor.

It is recommended that the State Regents approve a budget request for approximately \$980 million in total funding for FY13 operations. This is an increase of approximately \$34.7 million above the current FY12 level of \$945.3 million for operations.

ANALYSIS:

Institutional Budgets. The institutional budgets for FY13 require approximately \$27.8 million in new operating funds to address current on-going operating obligations. Health, dental and other insurance premiums are expected to increase \$9.4 million. Retirement costs, including OTRS, are expected to increase \$3.0 million. Utilities are projected to increase \$3.9 million. Library Periodicals, Subscriptions, IT replacements and Scholarships are projected to increase \$6.4 million while supplies and current operating expenses make-up the remaining request.

The Oklahoma State Regents are also proposing series of bond issues over the next five years to eliminate the \$271 million backlog in the Endowed Chair Program. The first of the five bond issues would be in FY13 for approximately \$54.5 million, with an estimated debt service obligation of \$4,031,140.

The Section 13 Offset program provides the institutions with capital funds to be used for differed maintenance, debt service, and new equipment purchases. This program request of approximately \$1.2 million with fund the program back to the level funded in FY02, prior to several years of state revenue reductions.

Scholarships. The request for financial aid increases of \$1.6 million is requested for the Concurrent Enrollment Waiver Program to fund increased participation since the inception of the program in 2005. The waiver program is mandated by O.S. 70, §628.13. In FY11, the most recently completed fiscal year, 9,981 seniors were eligible for the tuition waiver. The total dollars waived by the system institutions was approximately \$4.05 million.

The Office of Accountability has requested an additional \$98,729 to replace revenue reductions due to state budget cuts made in the previous two fiscal years.

**Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
FY'13 Appropriation**

	<u>OSRHE Request</u>
FY'12 Appropriation	\$945,260,277
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FY'13 Appropriation Request	
1. <u>Program Sustainability</u>	
a. Mandatory Fixed Cost Increases	\$27,805,558
b. Endowed Chair Bond Issue Debt Service	\$4,031,140
c. Section 13 Offset	\$1,189,980
d. Concurrent Enrollment	\$1,600,000
2. <u>Office of Accountability</u>	\$98,729
Total New FY13 State Funds	\$34,725,407
Total FY'13 State Appropriation	\$979,985,684
 \$ Difference from State FY'12 Appropriation	 \$34,725,407
% Difference from State FY'12 Appropriation	3.7%

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AGENDA ITEM #5:

Legislative Agenda.

SUBJECT: Approval of the State Regents' 2012 Legislative Agenda.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the State Regents approve the 2012 Legislative Agenda, as described below.

BACKGROUND:

The Legislative Agenda is developed as a guideline for issues of interest to the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education that could be addressed by the Oklahoma Legislature.

POLICY ISSUES:

These actions are consistent with the State Regents' policy.

ANALYSIS:

The 2012 Legislative Agenda sets forward a list of issues of interest to the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education that may be brought before the Oklahoma Legislature during the 2012 Legislative Session including:

- Complete College America
- Concealed Weapons On-Campus