

**MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS**  
**PHF Conference Center**  
**655 Research Parkway, Suite 100**  
**Colloquium Room**

**Dr. Douglas Hallenbeck, Chair, Presiding**  
**December 9, 2021**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

**1. Welcome and Introductions – Douglas Hallenbeck**

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

**2. Approval of November 9, 2021 Minutes – Douglas Hallenbeck**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved as written.

**INFORMATION OF INTEREST TO THE COUNCIL**

**3. Introduction of 2021-22 Leadership Academy Fellows – Lindsay Echols**

Lindsay mentioned there are 14 fellows from eight institutions in the 2021-22 Leadership Academy. The fellows introduced themselves and are listed by institution below:

**Chris Drew**, Director of Student Housing & Resident Life, Cameron University

**Daryl Bass**, Associate Director of Residential Life & Housing Services, Langston University

**Justin Lee**, Director of Student Life, Langston University

**Dustin Orrell**, Assistant Registrar/Assistant Director of Admissions & Records, Rose State College

**Kim Queri**, Director of Residence Life, Rose State College

**Britney Honsinger**, Director of Advisement & Recruitment, Seminole State College

**Taler Alexander**, Assistant Director of Enrollment Management, Southwestern Oklahoma State University

**Susan Kay Treece Ellis**, Director for the Center for Health & Well-Being, Southwestern Oklahoma State University

**Nicole Doherty**, Director of Community Engagement, University of Central Oklahoma

**Aubrey Frazier**, Director of Student Engagement, University of Central Oklahoma

**Jordan Broiles**, Program Coordinator, Henderson Scholars Program, University of Oklahoma

**Cynthia Fuston**, Coordinator for Student Engagement, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma

**Jay Mayes**, Student Life & Housing Coordinator, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma

Absent - Dr. Wendy Yoder, Academic Support Center Director, Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

Council members and OSRHE staff introduced themselves. Doug Hallenbeck (OSU) told the fellows they are welcome to contact any COSA member. Joshua Busby (LU) thanked the State Regents' staff and COSA members for continuing the Leadership Academy program and assured the fellows they will have a great experience.

## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **4. Student Leadership Retreat Update – Lindsay Echols**

Lindsay reminded the council the Student Leadership retreat will be held February 11, 2022, at Rose State College. This retreat will be a great opportunity for students involved in any type of leadership role.

### **5. State Regents' Update – Douglas Hallenbeck**

**Micro-Credential Update** - Information on the micro-credential initiative went out December 1<sup>st</sup> following presentation to the Council of Presidents. There are expectations of supportive services and coaching/mentoring that may fall into some of the council members areas of responsibilities. The memorandum of understanding for participation is due by December 17, 2022 (non-competitive). There will be a planning call in January 2022 with participating institutions and a kick-off summit in February.

**Financial Literacy Report** – Thank you to members for your submissions this past spring. The report will be presented to the State Regents today (Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>) and emailed to COSA afterwards.

**ARPA Proposals** – Working groups are forming to start work on the proposals. The council may be asked to write proposals on a quick timeline.

**State Regents' staff Lisa Nelson is retiring this month.** Lisa has worked with Oklahoma high school recruiters and high school counselors on student preparation for college readiness. Annette Long will become the new Director for Student Preparation for College Readiness.

### **6. Announcements – Douglas Hallenbeck**

- Brandon Hill mentioned ECU's retention working group has made a recognition that OSRHE's refund policy when a student drops out of school creates a gap with the federal financial aid policy. He is interested putting together a COSA working group to create a proposal to OSRHE to adjust the policy to serve students better.
- Doug Hallenbeck (OSU) asked if institutions are doing anything different regarding COVID. He mentioned the vaccination mandate is on hold due to legal challenges. Christopher Lynch said UCO is in a holding pattern at this point and waiting to find a conclusion.
- Zeak Naifeh (CU) announced he has accepted a job effective January 13, 2022, at Texas A&M University-San Antonio as the Associate Vice President and Dean of Students. He said this will be his last COSA meeting, and he hopes to see everyone before he leaves

Oklahoma in January. Doug thanked Zeak on behalf of COSA for his service and friendship.

- Joshua Busby (LU) wished everyone happy holidays and said he is grateful for the relationships he has with this group. Doug echoed Joshua's wishes. He mentioned the work of Student Affairs, especially during COVID, is not often recognized. Doug thanked the council for the work they have done and continue to do to support students.

## **7. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

## **8. Holiday Lunch**

Several council members and Leadership Academy fellows participated in a catered lunch and had opportunity to network with one another.

### **Upcoming Events of Interest to the Council**

February 11, 2022 - Student Leadership Retreat - Rose State College, Midwest City