# STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD

to the

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

## MINUTES

### Sunday, February 22, 2015

#### 1:00 p.m.

#### University of Central Oklahoma, Nigh University Center, Mary Fallin Room (304) 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 Sean Baser call the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
- 2. Announcement of Quorum

Mr. Baser announced a quorum of six Student Advisory Board members: Baser, Carroll, Fiedler, Puckett, Stiles, and Byrd. Boutwell was absent

3. Approval of Minutes

Postponed approval of January 25, 2015 Minutes until March 29, 2015

4. Recognition of Invited Guests

Guests in attendance were Jake Neighbors, President, and Dave Short, Communications Director, of the Oklahoma Student Government Association, and Kermit McMurry and Debbie Terlip of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

5. Legislative Update

Update on legislation that deals with guns on campus and budgets for Higher Education. Legislation on AP US History was discussed.

6. Faculty Advisory Council - Dr. Debra Stuart, Vice Chancellor for Educational Partnerships, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and Dr. Edgar O'Rear, Professor, School of Chemical, Biological and Materials Engineering, University of Oklahoma and Chair, Faculty Advisory Council

Dr. O'Rear discussed topics that interest the Faculty Advisory Council. Their work plan included enhancing the public understanding of faculty workload, expand communication with all faculty, improve student preparation for college and support and provide advice on current issues that the State Regents are considering. The Faculty Advisory Council also cited information about guns on campus. Their research shows that the average suicide rate among students would increase if guns were allowed on campus. The FAC shared a resolution it had adopted which opposed firearms on public campuses. In response to a question from Sean Baser, Dr. O'Rear discussed the tuition block rate policies at OU and OSU. Mr. Baser also asked Dr. O'Rear to talk about academic advisement and issues concerning professional staff advisors v. faculty advisors.

7. Update on Oklahoma Student Government Association/Council of Student Presidents Activities – Jake Neighbors, President, OSGA

Jake Neighbors, President, and Dave Short, Communications Director, of the Oklahoma Student Government Association announced that 25 members have registered for spring congress. Still in need of legislation for the Spring Congress Bill Packet. A new secretary was appointed from OSU-OKC. The regions of OSGA will now be consolidated to North and South.

8. Academic Strategies: Advisement, Remediation, Prior Learning Assessment, Online Curriculum and Competency-Based Learning - Mr. Daniel Archer, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Mr. Archer distributed a packet for his presentation. The power\_point included information about academic advising and the ways it can be improved. It also included information about online coursework and how our institution can develop their online programs. He noted that 29% of students in Oklahoma are enrolled in at least one online course, and said that online courses must be approved by the state. The second annual Oklahoma Quality Summit for online professional development will be held on April 17, 2015 at Oklahoma City Community College. Mr. Archer also discussed Prior Learning Assessments and Competency Based Learning, noting that as of now no Oklahoma state institutions are using competency-based learning. Mr. Archer closed with noting that state policies for remediation and assessment were undergoing change.

9. Discussion of Campus Visits and Research Topics

Chelsea Fiedler distributed a report on her campus visit to NEO A&M. She discussed the issues that were brought to her attention during the visit such as campus safety, infrastructure, facility hours, tuition prices, AP testing, internet connectivity, and environmental issues.

10. Determination of Agenda for Next Meeting

The SAB members will continue to focus on their work plan.

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

There was no new business.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.