## OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION Research Park, Oklahoma City

## FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL Minutes

**Call to order.** The Faculty Advisory Council met at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, 2015 at the State Regents' office. Members present were Jarrad Wagner, Michele Splinter, Tassie Hirschfeld, Jason Prather (telephone), Pamela Louderback (telephone), Russell Guthrie (telephone), Elicia Pollard, Rayshell Clapper, René Hurst (telephone), Ginnett Rollins, Freeman Culver (telephone), and J.J. Compton. Also present was Debra Stuart of the State Regents' staff. Jarrad Wagner presided.

**Minutes from last meeting.** The minutes of the January 2015 FAC meeting were approved as distributed.

State Regents Campus Safety & Security Task Force. Angela Caddell, Associate Vice Chancellor for Communications, presented the work of this task force beginning with a 20/20 Special video (http://abcnews.go.com/2020/video/defend-gun-7312540) regarding guns on campus. She described the purpose of the task force including support for the current law that prohibits guns on campus except with permission of the President. The task force has three work groups: (1) Campus Best Practices; (2) Issue Monitoring, Advocacy and Research; and (3) Training and Plan Development. Numerous on-going activities include a Statewide Summit on November 7 at the Reed Center in Midwest City. The task force is seeking faculty participation. More information is available at http://www.okhighered.org/campus-safety/.

**Annual Faculty Survey**. Tassie Hirschfeld presented a revised version of the survey that was developed by Ryan Chung in OU's Office of Academic Assessment. The FAC members will consider recommendation for changes to be finalized for distribution in September.

**Discussion of 2016 work plan topics.** Jarrad Wagner led a discussion of the following topics:

- 1. Quality of learning including teaching loads and scholarship was discussed in connection with the State Regents Online Education Task Force and SARA and will review the task force recommendations;
- 2. Preparation of recent high schools graduates in math, writing, listening and reading including new English and math standards will be reviewed after they are approved by the State Board of Education;
- 3. Campus security and safety including prohibition of weapons on campus were discussed in connection with a briefing on the State Regents Campus and Security Task Force;
- 4. Faculty having a greater voice at the Capitol will be discussed with the legislative liaisons;
- 5. College success including graduation rates and performance funding will be discussed when reviewing the new K-12 standards and institution reforms; and
- 6. Communications with faculty at all institutions will be discussed in conjunction with a review of the annual faculty survey instrument.

Future meeting dates and time. The next meetings will be held on the following dates:

Higher Education Day, February 16 March 1 at 3:00 p.m. April 5 at 3:00 p.m. May 3 at 3:00 p.m.

**Other**. Debra Stuart asked if the FAC would like to meet with the Students Advisory Board on February 28. Jarrad Wagner and J.J. Compton agreed to discuss the FAC work plan with the students.

**Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.