

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD
to the
OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

MINUTES

Sunday, September 30, 2018

1:00 p.m.

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
Regents Conference Room
655 Research Parkway, Suite 200
Oklahoma City, OK 73104

Joint with the Oklahoma Student Government Association

1. Call to Order. Notice that meeting has been filed and posted in accordance with Open Meetings Act
2. Announcement of Quorum – Debbie Blanke and Debbie Terlip of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Student Services Division called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with a quorum of 7 members present

Members Present: Traeton Dansby, Nicholas Glasgow, Jakob Harmon, Alyson Hill, Ashlee Lester, Jake Mazeitis and Bobby Trousdale. Members Absent: None

3. Recognition of Invited Guests –

Chancellor Glen D. Johnson, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. OSGA Board of Directors – Daniel Williams, President; Traeton Dansby, Vice President; Jae Chastain, Secretary; Kaitlyn Burden, Treasurer; Daniela Arvizo, Communications; and Cam Ulloa, North Regional Director. OSGA Council of Student Presidents and fellow Student Leaders - Josh Bolin and Tessa Foshee, Eastern Oklahoma State College; Jennifer Ho and Tania Davis, Langston University; April Galindo-Liongco, Oklahoma City Community College; David Peebles and Cameron Branch, Oklahoma Panhandle State University; Jose Ibarra and Julio Gonzales, Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City; Allison Jenkins, Rogers State University; Brianna Sanders and Jakob Harmon, Rose State College; Amy Griffin and Kaitlyn Trunk, Seminole State College; Brianna Pierce and Spencer Patton, Southeastern Oklahoma State University; Marshall Wallace and Levi Muller, Southwestern Oklahoma State University; Joseph Mason, Tulsa Community College; Remington Dean and Tate Atkinson, University of Central Oklahoma; Edgar Tafoya and Lauren Triplett, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma; Clayton Myers and Casey Jackson, Oklahoma Baptist University; Tyler Clark, Oklahoma Christian University; Lewis Boatright and Bradley Crouch, Southern Nazarene University; Conner Bender and Maddie Pickett, University of Tulsa.

4. Status of Higher Education and Discussion of Higher Education Issues - Chancellor Glen D. Johnson, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Chancellor Johnson shared a presentation with the student leaders, found at <https://okhighered.org/state-system/powerpoints/powerpoints.shtml>. He began by noting that predictions for job openings created in

Oklahoma by 2020 will specify that 67% will require either some college, a long-term certificate, or an associate's or bachelor's degree. He observed that the portion of degrees granted in STEM fields by state institutions has increased by 32.4% over the past 5 years, and that studies show that 87.3% of Oklahoma residents who graduate with a bachelor's degree are remaining in the state and employed one year after graduation. Many academic programs are linked to the needs of business.

The Chancellor pointed out the reductions in state appropriations that The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education has suffered since 2008, and showed that the current appropriation is less than the appropriation for 2001. He contrasted the proportion of the total state higher education budget in 1988 that was comprised of state appropriations (74%) to 2018's level of 27%, and noted that higher education's percent of Oklahoma total state appropriations has dropped from 19% in fiscal year 1980 to 11% in fiscal year 2019. The Grapevine Annual Compilation of Data on State Fiscal Support for Higher Education out of Illinois State University shows that no state suffered a higher loss in state support between 2012 and 2017 than Oklahoma. Chancellor Johnson next talked about affordability, pointing out that Oklahoma ranked 4th lowest nationally in average student cost of in-state public 4-year institutions of higher education in 2014-2015, and had an average tuition and mandatory fee increase of 4.9% over the past 10 years. According to U.S. News & World Report, Oklahoma is 7th lowest for tuition and fees, and 10th lowest for student debt at graduation.

The Chancellor briefly reviewed the work of the Task Force on the Future of Higher Education, noting its focus on modernization, efficiencies, structure and innovation. The Chancellor then opened the meeting to questions and answers, and dialogued with the students over the upcoming legislative session and issues such as weapons on campus.

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5. Minutes of Previous Meetings – Approval of August 26, 2018 Minutes

Approved

6. Election of SAB Chair and Vice Chair

For the position of Chair, Jake Mazeitis was nominated by Jakob Harmon, and Traeton Dansby was nominated by Bobby Trousdale. Jake Mazeitis was elected Chair by a 6-1 vote. Traeton Dansby nominated himself for Vice Chair, and was elected by unanimous vote.

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

Traeton Dansby, Vice President of OSGA briefly reviewed the weekend's OSGA Student Presidents Retreat, saying that 31 student presidents and leaders from 19 different institutions participated to invigorate the Council of Student Presidents. He said the OSGA Fall Congress would be hosted by Tulsa Community College, with the campus still to be determined, on November 9-10, 2018, beginning at 2 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 9th. He said participants who had not submitted legislation for consideration, and wanted to could come at 9 a.m. on Nov. 9th.

8. Determination of Annual Meeting Schedule – No change

9. Determination of Agenda for Next Meeting

Jake Mazeitis asked the members to research subjects for study and consideration for recommendations to the State Regents. He said he hoped this group would increase both the number of recommendations and the research and background put into each one.

10. Discussion of Campus Visits and Research Topics

Debbie Terlip reminded the members that they will be reimbursed for travel for their campus visits.

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

None

12. Adjournment

There being no new business, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.