OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Research Park, Oklahoma City

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE Thursday, May 30, 2013

- 1. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FILING OF MEETING NOTICE AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT. The Committee-of-the-Whole met at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2013, in the Regents Conference Room at the State Regents' offices in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting was filed with the Secretary of State on November 6, 2012. A copy of the agenda had been posted as required by the Open Meeting Act.
- 2. CALL TO ORDER. Participating in the meeting were Regents Toney Stricklin, Ron White, Jody Parker, Ike Glass, Jimmy Harrel, Mike Turpen, and John Massey. Regent Designate Jay Helm was also present. Regent Glass called the meeting to order and presided.
- 3. EXECUTIVE SESSION. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to go into executive session for confidential communications between a public body and its attorneys concerning pending investigations, claims or actions. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none. Regent White was not present for the vote.

Following executive session discussions, Regents returned to open session.

Immediately following the presentation of item 10—Best of Higher Education report, Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to return to executive session. Voting for the motion were Regents Glass, Massey, Stricklin, White, and Parker. Voting against the motion were none. Regents Harrel and Turpen were not present for the vote.

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4. FY2014 HIGHER EDUCATION BUDGET. Ms. Amanda Paliotta, Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance, Information Technology, Telecommunications, and OneNet, provided Regents with an overview of the higher education appropriation for FY2014. She also provided Regents with background information regarding the request of \$23 million for debt service payments. Chancellor Johnson noted that the FY2014 appropriation was approximately \$9.3 million more than the additional debt service request, which will not meet the increases in mandatory costs of State System institutions. Regent Parker asked if the \$9.3 million would be considered new money and therefore subject to the State Regents' performance based funding formula. Vice Chancellor Paliotta responded that it would.

Vice Chancellor Paliotta provided Regents with a proposed schedule of institutional allocations for FY2014. She also noted that the appropriation for the Office of Accountability was made through the higher education budget appropriation and that those funds would be taken off the top prior to any institutional allocation. Vice Chancellor Paliotta also reminded Regents that the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University Tulsa campuses were not included in the formula and would instead be funded through the main campus appropriations.

Regents also discussed potential use of FY2013 carryover funds, which totaled approximately \$2.5 million. Programs discussed were concurrent enrollment, summer academies, Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant (OTAG) and Oklahoma Tuition Equalization Grant (OTEG), academic scholars, Reach Higher scholarships, Quartz Mountain, and the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (USAO) Mission Enhancement Plan (MEP). Chancellor Glen D. Johnson presented recommendations to allocate \$200,000 in one-time funds to USAO for their Mission Enhancement Plan and \$200,000 in one-time funds to Quartz Mountain for accounts payable.

- 5. TUITION AND FEE GUIDELINES. Regents reviewed the proposed tuition and fee guidelines that will be provided to State System institutions during their FY2014 budget preparations. Vice Chancellor Paliotta advised Regents that institutional budgets would be due by Wednesday, June 12, 2013. Chancellor Johnson advised Regents that State System institution presidents would provide their requests for tuition and fees at the State Regents' meeting on Wednesday, June 26, 2013.
- 6. COMPLETE COLLEGE AMERICA. Mr. Tony Hutchison, Vice Chancellor for Strategic Planning and Analysis and Economic and Workforce Development, Provided Regents with an update on the Complete College America initiative. He also provided Regents with an overview of institutional performance metrics that would be used in the State Regents' funding formula.
- **REACH HIGHER.** Ms. Sheila Smith, Reach Higher Administrator, provided Regents with an update on the State Regents' adult degree completion program, Reach Higher. She noted that the program was available at 23 of Oklahoma's State System institutions and that the total number of graduates has increased from 167 to 714.
- **8. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE.** Ms. Hollye Hunt, Associate Vice Chancellor for Legislative Relations, provided Regents with an overview of legislation from the 2013 legislative session.
- 9. TASKFORCE REPORTS.
 - a. Online Education Task Force. Chancellor Johnson advised Regents that the Online Education Task Force would not be meeting in May, due to the late scheduling of the task force subcommittees. Dr. Blake Sonobe, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, stated that the subcommittees would meet jointly on Thursday, June 20, 2013.
 - b. Safety and Security Task Force. Chancellor Johnson advised Regents that the Campus Safety and Security Task Force would meet on Wednesday, June 5, 2013.
- **10. "BEST OF HIGHER EDUCATION" REPORT.** Regents received the May 2013 update on institutional activities.
- 11. ADJOURNMENT. With no other items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Ike Glass Chairman

Michael C. Turpen, Secretary