

**TITLE 610. STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
CHAPTER 1. ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 7. Rules of Operation

610:1-7-13. Items for consideration at meeting [AMENDED]

610:1-7-15. Disposition of business [AMENDED]

610:1-7-16. Record of proceedings [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

During the process of reviewing and amending Chapter 2 (Administrative Operations) of the OSRHE Policy and Procedures Manual, three rules from the Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) were identified that either do not reflect current practices of the State Regents or that do not reflect current best practices in the opinion of Legal Counsel. These rules are OAC 610:1-7-13 (“Items for consideration at meeting”); OAC 610:1-7-15 (“Disposition of business”); and OAC 610:1-7-16 (“Record of proceedings”).

The proposed permanent rule amendments to OAC 610:1-7-13 remove the requirement to list the New Business agenda item, delete a requirement to provide notice for hearings on proposed policy adoptions/changes at State Regents meetings and allow hearings to be conducted in any manner deemed fit by the State Regents so long as adequate due process is provided.

The proposed permanent rule amendments to OAC 610:1-7-15 modify adherence to Robert's Rules of Order at State Regents meetings and delete a required roll call voting order.

The proposed permanent rule amendments to OAC 610:1-7-16 delete the requirement that executive session minutes be “transmitted” to the State Regents for their review and transfer the maintenance of executive session notes to the General Counsel.

AUTHORITY:

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; 70 O.S. §§ 3206

COMMENT PERIOD:

Interested persons may submit written comments to Chris Turner Jr., Associate General Counsel, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, cturner@osrhe.edu, by 9:30 a.m., February 1, 2024.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing has not been scheduled; however, pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(B)(9), "persons may demand a hearing" by contacting Chris Turner Jr., Associate General Counsel, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, 405-225-9289, cturner@osrhe.edu, by 9:30 a.m., February 1, 2024.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

N/A

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed rules will be made available at the office of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, and on the agency’s website at <https://www.okhighered.org> on or before January 2, 2024.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D), a rule impact statement will be made available on the agency's website at <https://www.okhighered.org> on or before January 15, 2024.

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