

**STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD**  
to the  
OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

**MINUTES**

**Sunday, January 25, 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 seven Student Advisory Board members: Baser, Boutwell, Carroll, Fiedler, Puckett, Stiles, and Byrd.

3. Approval of Minutes – The minutes for the December 7, 2014 meeting were approved.

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. Complete College America – Tony Hutchinson, Vice Chancellor for Strategic Planning, Analysis and Workforce and Economic Development, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Mr. Hutchinson discussed the purpose of Complete College America. Oklahoma has always been below the national average in terms of college attainment. There have been gains in the number of degrees awarded each year. Complete College America was founded to help students in several different categories of finances, academic preparation, engagement, advisement, and support, which are key areas that Complete College America focuses on. Data Statistics handouts were distributed for Complete College America. Workforce Oklahoma was discussed – identifies what industry individuals work in. Data is married with the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission data to identify where college graduates are working. Another packet was distributed to show the results. Idea for recommendation was to make sure classes are available in the order students need them to graduate. Data show that our institution's peers in other states have a 7% higher graduation rate. One key stumbling block to completion here is the gateway math course, and we know that remediation drops the rate of potential for graduation. Mr. Hutchison finished by briefly discussing the decline in state funding support for higher education.

6. Update on Oklahoma Student Government Association/Council of Student Presidents Activities – Sean Baser

Spring Congress will be held March 6-7, at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah. Please submit legislation to be added to the bill packet. Request for legislation template. OSGA secretary resigned and process had begun to name a replacement. Discussion about implementing a bill workshop.

7. Student Financial Literacy –Ava Doyle, Oklahoma College Assistance Program, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Information was distributed for Oklahoma College Assistance Programs. Ms. Doyle discussed Complete College America, academic standards for concurrent enrollment, graduation rates, concurrent enrollment rates, and student finances. Packets were distributed to provide information about personal finances, scholarship opportunities, and borrowing smart tips.

8. Student Veterans Resources – Adrienne Proffer, Coordinator, Academic Affairs Projects, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Distributed information about the different resources that are available for student veterans. Programs included National Guard Tuition Waiver and Veterans Upward Bound. She said that the influx in veteran students was greatest at Rose State College, Cameron University and in the metro areas. One key aspect was to find a good congregating place on each campus. Ms. Proffer closed with the observation that student veterans would like more early enrollment to ensure getting into classes that count toward their degree.

9. Discussion of Campus Visits and Research Topics

The SAB members briefly discussed connecting with student leaders from institutions not directly represented on the SAB.

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 4:03 p.m.