

**1999-2000
Student Advisory Board
to the
Oklahoma State Regents
for Higher Education**

Workplan

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TOP PRIORITIES

Graduate Preparation: The board will address the improvement of 1) communication ability, and; 2) technology competency of Oklahoma graduates. The board will also provide student perspectives on the need for all Oklahoma baccalaureate degrees to require a capstone course.

Competency-based Degrees: The board will work with the appropriate advisory groups to ensure that graduates are able to successfully perform in the workplace. The board will look into the development of “program specifications” which identify the intended outcomes of degree programs.

Student Advisement: The board will address the development of computer-assisted advising technology for faculty and professional advisor use. The board will also provide perspectives on ways to improve disseminating information to students regarding gainful employment, internships and job placement in Oklahoma, specifically requesting that advisors promote the use of the Oklahoma Marketplace.

Minimal Library Access: The board will address the development and recommendation of setting a minimum number of hours for libraries at institutions to be open and accessible to students.

University Supported Computer Purchasing: The board will address the development of an institutional policy that allows students to lease or buy computers from the institution that they are attending.

Multi-year Tuition Philosophy: The board will work in conjunction with OSGA to pursue a state-wide policy on tuition setting for Oklahoma higher education.

Alcohol Policy: The board will review institutional policies regarding off-campus activities and address the development of a compromise policy that all institutions should move toward adopting.

Disability Services Awareness: The board will address ways to increase awareness of disability services at higher education institutions.

Year-round Email Access: The board will address the development of access to student email accounts on a year-round basis.

SAB Resolutions: The board will monitor the progress and implementation of the resolutions on passed SAB resolutions.

Oklahoma Student Government Association: The board will work with OSGA to foster a better partnership and student understanding on a variety of issues. Each member of the SAB will be in direct contact with 3-4 student governments that do not have representation on the board. This contact will help the communication effort between the institutions represented on the board and the remaining institutions. The board will also maintain a website, with a forum page, to better disseminate information regarding the board's activities. The chairman will produce a newsletter to be distributed to student leaders throughout the state.

Advisory Boards of the OSRHE: The board will continue to develop a working relationship on matters of mutual interest to students, the various advisory boards, and their OSRHE staff liaisons.

Student Advisory Board to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

The purpose of the Student Advisory Board is to communicate to the State Regents the views and interests of all Oklahoma college and university students on those issues that relate to the constitutional and statutory responsibilities of the State Regents. In representing students, the Student Advisory Board shall combine the opinions of students with good sound research to develop the best proposals and recommendations for The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

The creation of this board is consistent with provisions of House Bill Number 1801 of the 1988 Oklahoma Legislature. Seven members are elected annually by delegates to the Oklahoma Student Government Association. Members represent the three tiers of Oklahoma public higher education (comprehensive universities, regional universities, and community colleges) as well as private colleges and universities. All SAB members serve a one-year term (May through April).

For more information concerning issues contained in the workplan, please feel free to contact Saul Magaña, Student Relations Liaison for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (405) 524-9128.