

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
Research Park, Oklahoma City

FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order.** The Faculty Advisory Council met at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 8, 2008, in the State Regents' Library Conference Room. Members present were Jean Van Delinder, Jim Lambert, Roger Frech, Steve Betts, and Robin Jones. Roger Frech presided. Also present was Debra Stuart of the State Regents' staff.
- 2. Minutes from last meeting.** The minutes of the May 2008 FAC meeting were approved as distributed.
- 3. Efforts to retain college graduates in Oklahoma.** Natalie Shirley, Secretary of Commerce & Tourism, presented information about workforce needs in knowledge-based, high-wage jobs. She described an Oklahoma project called "Boomerang" designed to attract workers back to Oklahoma. Discussion included an interest in improving education in order to attract workers with school- or college-age children.
- 4. Election of chairman for October-December.** Robin Jones was elected as the next chairman.
- 5. Discussion of 2008 workplan topics: (1) student preparation/study skills, (2) student retention/graduation, (3) textbook costs, (4) retirement, (5) health insurance, and (6) salaries.** Debra Stuart distributed articles related to textbook costs and offered to have an updated discussion paper for the next meeting that includes information from institutional policies. HealthChoice will be on the agenda for next week and teacher certification for the December meeting.
- 6. Faculty Assembly.** Saturday, October 25, at 10:00 a.m. was selected as the date of the 2008 Faculty Assembly. FAC members will revise last year's survey to be distributed to all institutions. The Chancellor and someone from the Department of Commerce will be invited to speak.
- 7. Next Meetings.** The next meetings will be held on Monday, October 6, at 5:30 p.m.; Saturday, October 25, at 9:00 a.m. and Monday, December 1, at 5:30 p.m.
- 8. Other.** The program and registration information for the Legal Issues in Higher Education was distributed.
- 9. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.