

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION  
Research Park, Oklahoma City

## FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL

### MINUTES

**Call to Order.** The Faculty Advisory Council met at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2009, in the State Regents' Library Conference Room. Members present were Roger Frech, Paul Buckelew, Robert Miller, Frans Currier, Nancy Osborn, David Hartmann, Mary Penick, Rex Ackerson, Tracy Edwards, Lamont Lindstrom, and Beverly Devries. David Hartmann presided. Also present was Debra Stuart of the State Regents' staff.

**Introductions.** Frans Currier, Professor in College of Dentistry at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center was welcomed as a new member.

**Minutes from last meeting.** The minutes of the March 2, 2009 FAC meeting were approved as distributed.

**Student Preparation.** Dr. Cindy Brown, Director of Student Preparation, and Armando Peña, Assistant Vice Chancellor for GEAR UP, gave presentations and provided handouts describing the ACT Education Planning and Assessment System (EPAS) and the federal GEAR UP programs. Discussion included the math and science preparation, high school course rigor, how schools use the information and professional development, evaluation of these efforts and teacher certification.

**Discussion of 2009 workplan topics.** The following topics were discussed:

1. Veteran student needs—A presenter will be scheduled for the May meeting. The schedule for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Statewide Student Veteran Conference was distributed noting that Penick and Hartmann are on a panel;
2. Teacher certification—Devries distributed a proposed resolution from the Oklahoma Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (OACTE) which will be considered for FAC action if H.B. 1333 does not pass and for consideration prior to next legislative session;
3. Health benefits—A speaker representing HealthChoice will be scheduled for a future meeting;
4. Textbook costs—Request of publishers to supply information about content revisions as proposed in H.B. 1882 is believed to be similar to efforts in other states.

**Next Meeting.** The next meeting is Monday, May 4, at 5:30 p.m.

**Other.** In preparation for the Annual Tuition Hearing on April 29 at 1:00 pm, the FAC statement from last year was distributed and situations impacting academic quality and faculty work due to budget cuts were discussed. Hartmann will deliver the remarks for the FAC and requested FAC members to send him comments reflecting their institution's faculties' opinions in order to reflect the consensus of the FAC.

**Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.