

FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL Minutes

Call to order. The Faculty Advisory Council met at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at the State Regents' office. Members present were Nick Materer (telephone), Patsy Smith (telephone), James Heflin, Mary Gard, Robert Katz (telephone), J.J. Compton, and Kirk Jackson. Also present was Debra Stuart of the State Regents' staff. Kirk Jackson presided.

Minutes from last meeting. The minutes of the May 2017 FAC meeting were approved with one correction, adding James Heflin as present.

Salaries in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. Sheri Mauck, Associate Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance distributed copies of the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 reports and described how the information is collected by surveying the State System institutions and that it is displayed showing a three-year history and national comparisons.

Legislative Update. Todd Pauley, Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, was unable to attend. He will be invited to a future meeting.

Review of Annual Report of the Student Advisory Board. Debra Stuart distributed the report and provided a brief summary of the student issues.

Review of Annual Faculty Survey. Last year's version was approved for distribution.

Review of the FAC Policy. Discussion of a proposed change of FAC operations from a calendar year to an academic year resulted not changing the policy.

Discussion of 2017 work plan topics. Kirk Jackson led discussion of the work plan topics.

1. *Diversity on campus including gender equality, gender identity and religion* regarding how to create an inclusive environment for students, faculty and staff will be discussed at the October meeting;
2. *Sustainability* was discussed with the Executive Director of the Association for Sustainability in Higher Education;
3. *Veteran student services* were discussed at the January meeting with commitment to share this information with others on campus and post on the FAC website;
4. *Student preparedness related to non-cognitive factors such as coping strategies, resilience and lifestyle* learned about the Mathematics Success Initiative and the teacher shortage and preparation; will discuss with experts from OU's K20 Center for Educational and Community Renewal at the May meeting;
5. *Communication among faculty* was discussed with the State Regents Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations during the legislative session and will follow-up after the session.

Future meeting dates and time.

October 26 at 3:00 pm

November 18 FAC meeting at 9:00 am and Annual Faculty Assembly at 10:00 am

December 14 at 3:00 pm

Election of chairman for October - December. Patsy Smith agreed to serve from October through December. James Heflin agreed to serve from January through March.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.