

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD
to the
OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes

Sunday, October 31st, 2010 – 1:00 p.m.
University of Central Oklahoma, Nigh University Center

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jack Test, Chair of the SAB, at 1:00 p.m. Debbie Terlip, Student Relations Liaison, confirmed that the meeting had been posted and filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

Announcement of Quorum:

Members present: Charity Penington, Thomas Schneider, Jack Test, and Matthew Heggy.
Members absent: Jessica Craig, Myka Sederis, and Autumn Wiles.

Guest Present

CJ Cavin, Van Alston, Matthew Sitton, Renee Morse Heenan, and Stephanie Reed.

Special Update from OSGA

CJ Cavin, OSGA President, gave an update on the progress of the Fall Congress as this was the last meeting before the conference. He discussed the work for legislation on the OSGA governing document, the consideration of an OSGA legislative liaison, and consideration of the role of OSGA at the annual Student Leadership Retreat. He discussed the SAB vacancy and the application process being opened at Fall Congress. He also discussed the work on the OSGA website, and noted that the OSGA had heard presentations from both sides on the upcoming State Question 744. Finally, he described the Fall Congress promotional items, flash drives, that the Board of Directors has purchased have purchased for distribution at Fall Congress. The flash drives are printed with the OSGA logo, and will have the full bill packet loaded on them when the delegates arrive.

Discussion of Campus Visits and Research Topics

Thomas Schneider discussed his campus visit at Langston University. He toured the new Student Center, and heard student grievances that their current student representatives have passed on to their president. These included issues of campus safety, information accessibility, e.g. inadequate library hours and website content, resource issues, academic advising and faculty issues, course availability, etc. Much of these issues are blamed on an apparent generation gap between the administration and the students, especially with regard to traditions and values. Students do have an ongoing dialogue with the administration, but did not feel that they have a good consumer-producer relationship.

The SAB then discussed and compared the different academic advising practices of their respective campuses, and suggested this as a possible research topic. Debbie Terlip suggested that we invite a member of the State Regents staff to discuss advising.

Determination of Agenda for Next Meeting

The next SAB meeting will be on January 30th, 2011 at the Nigh University Center at UCO. The SAB discussed inviting Amanda Paliotta and Hollye Hunt from the State Regents staff to discuss higher education funding and the legislative agenda, as well as people to discuss Academic Advising. Also, it was suggested that we discuss textbooks.

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