

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD
to the
OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Minutes

Sunday, February 23, 2014

University of Central Oklahoma, Nigh University Center, Room 312
100 North University Drive, Edmond, OK 73034

1. Call to Order. Notice that meeting has been filed and posted in accordance with Open Meetings Act

2. Announced a Quorum

Members present: Jared Allison, Deborah Bowman, CJ Cavin, Trisha Kingsbury, Ryan Melton, Evan Palmer and Joseph Wells. Absent: None

3. Recognition of Invited Guests

Dr. Debra Stuart, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
Ms. Sheila Smith, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings
Approved January 26, 2014 Minutes

5. Update on Oklahoma Student Government Association/Council of Student Presidents Activities

CJ Cavin gave an update on the OSGA preparation for Spring Congress at Tulsa Community College on the Southeast Campus. He said that 103 students were registered from 17 institutions of higher education. The guest speakers were TCC President Thomas McKeon, Vice President for Academic Affairs Ric Baser, and Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Jan Clayton. He noted that TCC was contributing support to the event. There were seven pieces of legislation to be presented. The Council of Student Presidents were to discuss a restructure in their meeting times to meet less often, but provide more structure including leadership training. Dr. McMurry offered the State Regents Council on Student Affairs' assistance in any training. Finally, CJ noted that the 2014-2015 OSGA Board of Directors and Student Advisory Board members would be selected.

6. Overview of Oklahoma State Regents Initiative Complete College America – Dr. Debra Stuart, Vice Chancellor for Educational Partnerships, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Dr. Stuart talked about the State Regents different focuses to prepare students for college and to retain and graduate students. She gave an overview of the state's Complete College America agenda and discussed the five initiatives: readiness, remediation, more degrees and certificates, adult degree completion and performance funding. She talked about how they are working to

better remediation especially in the area of math. One idea is to redefine the prerequisites for students. The idea is that we make the math courses more suitable for the area of study students will be going into. Dr. Stuart also discussed different things like reverse transfers and certificates. She explained that the funding for new money for schools has been changed to a performance based funding to focus on the number of students retained as opposed to the number of students enrolled to encourage more degree completion.

7. Oklahoma State Regents Reach Higher Program – Ms. Sheila Smith, Reach Higher Administrator, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Ms. Smith talked about the Reach Higher program, which focuses on getting people with college credits who have stepped out of school back to school to complete a degree. She discussed the high number of Oklahomans with college credit but no actual degree. Aspects are specifically designed for working adults and stay at home mothers. Reach Higher has different options with partnerships all over the state. With specific two year and four year programs set up at certain public institutions, students can come and get a certain degree. Ms. Smith also discussed the partnerships that they are working on with businesses not only to get students degrees but to get them into the workforce.

8. Faculty Advisory Council - Dr. Debra Stuart, Vice Chancellor for Educational Partnerships, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Dr. Stuart provided an overview of the Faculty Advisory Council and its workplan. She said a member would be happy to visit with the SAB. The chair is Craig Dawkins from Rose State College. Its workplan includes best practices for necessary skills, faculty workload impact on academic efficacy re student success in a course, retention of students, success of transfer and concurrent students especially in online courses, and support of the current OSRHE initiatives of Complete College America and the Online Education Task Force.

9. Discussion of Campus Visits and Research Topics

Members of the SAB discussed plans for campus visits.

10. Determination of Agenda for Next Meeting

The SAB plan to review the status of legislation and may visit with a representative of the Faculty Advisory Council. They will begin discussion of their recommendations for the April meeting.

12. New Business. Consideration of other matters not known or not reasonably foreseen prior to the time of agenda posting.

13. Adjournment