

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD
to the
OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

MINUTES

Sunday, September 24, 2017

1:30 p.m.

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
Regents Conference Room
655 Research Parkway, Suite 200
Oklahoma City, OK 73104

Joint with the Oklahoma Student Government Association

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

Kermit McMurry and Debbie Terlip of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Student Services Division called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with a quorum of 6 members present

Members Present: Kimberley Bishop, Traeton Dansby, Kailey Kelpine, Zachary Pearson, Trent Ratterree, and Colleen Yoder. Members Absent: Brayden Farrell

3. Recognition of Invited Guests

Tyrance Billingsley, President, Oklahoma Student Government Association, and OSGA Board Members Jasmine Brown Jutras, Emilee Fields, and Lauren Carroll were recognized. Also present was JD Baker, President, University of Oklahoma Student Government Association, and Chancellor Glen D. Johnson, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

4. Status of Higher Education and Discussion of Higher Education Issues - Chancellor Glen D. Johnson, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Chancellor Johnson shared a presentation with the student leaders. He began by noting that predictions for job openings for certain occupations in Oklahoma by 2020 specify that significant portions of the jobs created will require a higher number of either some college, a long-term certificate, or an associate's or bachelor's degree, than currently exist in the state. He observed that the portion of degrees granted in STEM fields by state institutions is increasing, and that studies show that 87.3% of Oklahoma residents who graduate with a bachelor's degree are remaining in the state, but pointed out the ongoing deficit that Oklahoma faces in its proportion of adults age 25 and older who hold a bachelor's degree (25.2%), compared to the national average of 31.3%. Oklahoma's participation in the Complete College America program seeks to redress these shortfalls. The Chancellor illustrated the impact this loss in support of state funding for higher education has had since fiscal year 2008, noting that higher education's fiscal year 2018 level of state appropriations now matches the 1999 level. He contrasted the proportion of the total state

higher education budget in 1988 that was comprised of state appropriations (74%) to 2018's level of 28%. Chancellor Johnson next talked about the history of tuition increases over the past 9 years, pointing out that Oklahoma ranks 6th lowest nationally for tuition and fees.

The Chancellor briefly reviewed the new initiative of the Task Force on the Future of Higher Education, noting its focus on modernization, efficiencies, structure and innovation. The Chancellor then opened the meeting to questions and answers, and dialogued with the students over the current legislative session and issues such as weapons on campus.

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5. Minutes of Previous Meetings – Approval of August 27, 2017 Minutes

6. Election of SAB Chair and Vice Chair

Kim Bishop nominated herself to serve as chair. There were no other nominations, and Ms. Bishop was elected unanimously. Kailey Kelpine and Traeton Dansby nominated themselves to serve as vice chair. Ms. Kelpine was elected.

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

Tyrance Billingsley, President and Jasmine Brown Jutras, Vice-President, Oklahoma Student Government Association discussed the struggles the OSGA Board has encountered while planning Fall Congress. The OSGA Treasurer and South Regional Director have both resigned so Board members have starting covering their positions.

8. Planning for Student Leadership Retreat, October 6th

Debbie Terlip described the student sessions, and asked for volunteers to support the presenters and give them an award following the final session. During lunch, Kimberly Bishop will speak about what the SAB is and recognize any members that are present, followed by, Tyrance Billingsley, who will speak about OSGA.

9. Determination of Annual Meeting Schedule

The April 1st meeting was moved to April 8th and recommendations will be voted on at a meeting held on April 15th.

10. Determination of Agenda for Next Meeting

Kimberly Bishop would like to hear about health care and health insurance for students; Traeton Dansby suggested talking about trigger/content warnings for PTSD students; Trent Ratterree suggested hearing about Title IX issues including women's resources, and learning about employment for felons; and Debbie Terlip suggested that the SAB learn about current academic issues such as remedial education including co-requisite courses in math, academic advising, concurrent enrollment, and speak to the Faculty Advisory Council to find out if any concerns overlap.

11. Discussion of Campus Visits and Research Topics

Board members discussed talking to other student leaders during the Student Leadership Retreat and Fall Congress to help limit the need for travel.

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

13. Adjournment

There being no new business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.