

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS
Regents' Conference Room
655 Research Parkway, Suite 200

Joshua Busby, Chair, Presiding
October 13, 2022
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Introductions – Joshua Busby

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. Joshua welcomed new COSA member Dr. Jason K. Johnson, Oklahoma City Community College.

2. Approval of July 7, 2022 Minutes – Joshua Busby

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved as written.

INFORMATION OF INTEREST TO THE COUNCIL

3. Legislative Update – Joel Dean, Government Relations and Workforce Development Coordinator, OSRHE

Joel mentioned the first two legislative tours have been scheduled for Northeastern State University – Muskogee on January 20, 2023, and in Tulsa January 23, 2023. He said the legislative agenda will be out very soon.

Joel said the American Rescue Plan Act projects that went through committee were forwarded to Governor Stitt and all but three were signed. ARPA funding was vetoed for the Oklahoma Arts Council, Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and the Oklahoma Education Television Authority. These three projects will be included in a future legislative session next year. Joel said the election is coming up soon and many races are a lot closer than expected. Chancellor Garrett and Dr. Jobe will be meeting with newly elected members. Joel also mentioned that most of the higher education interim studies have been wrapped up.

4. Oklahoma Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers – Brandee Morgan, Director of Recruitment & Admissions, OSU Oklahoma City

Brandee serves as the OACRAO vice president for membership and mentoring. She said she is hoping new professionals will have an awareness of this organization and asked council members to promote OACRAO to their campus admissions and registrar teams. The institutional membership to join OACRAO is \$150 annually. There are two list serves that notify members of meetings, events, exchange of ideas, OSRHE policy changes, as well as a virtual community of registrars of all levels to share common experiences and assist each other with issues. OACRAO hosts three conferences throughout the year:

- Spring Policy Workshop is held in February or March to inform of Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education policy updates and upcoming legislation.
- Summer Frontline Workshop is held in July for frontline staff focusing on customer service, team building, etc.
- Fall Annual Conference is held in October or November and consists of two days of workshops, networking, OSRHE updates, round table discussions, etc.

Brandee mentioned the fall conference will be November 10-11, 2022, at Oklahoma Christian University. She also said they have the following social media sites:

OACRAO Website: <https://www.oacrao.org/>

OACRAO Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OACRAO-179730768749232>

OACRAO Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/oacrao2022/>

5. OSRHE Study Abroad Portal –

Lindsay Echols, Executive Director of Campus Compact and Director of Student Affairs and Diversity, OSRHE

Angel Icenhour, Coordinator for Academic Affairs Student Success Initiatives, OSRHE

Angel and Lindsay explained the OSRHE Study Abroad Portal to the council. The portal is a way for institutions to post their study abroad courses. Lindsay said students that travel abroad have a wider sense of self and others, as well as gaining co-curricular learning experiences. She mentioned institutions are again allowing study abroad courses and explained that a student may be able to participate in study abroad even if their campus does not offer a course. She said students may be able to enroll in another institution's course, and this could also help that institution fill their trip requirement.

Angel briefly explained how to obtain a login and upload courses to the portal. She mentioned most of the contact information in the system is out of date. Angel asked council members to provide their study abroad contact information so she can reach out to those interested in a future meeting on this topic in an effort to increase use of the study abroad portal across the state.

Ina Agnew (OSUIT) said she likes the portal, but OSUIT does not offer study abroad courses. She said it could be of value to have OSUIT students participate in another institution's trip. Lance Newbold (RSC) said it costs nothing to share this information and may help a student participate in a trip that has not reached the minimum student requirement. Kristen Partridge (OU) asked if this is considered a transfer credit. Lindsay said she believes it is but may be different for private institutions. Michael McClendon (TU) asked about insurance coverage under the institution the student is traveling with and if there is a need for a Memorandum of Understanding. Dr. Jason K. Johnson (OSCC) said Langston had students participate in Oklahoma State University's study abroad as nondegree-seeking students, and these students were covered by OSU. Dr. Adam Johnson (SWOSU) asked for the link to the portal. Lindsay will email the information to the COSA distribution list.

6. Student Leadership Retreat Recap – Lindsay Echols, Executive Director of Campus Compact and Director of Student Affairs and Diversity, OSRHE

Lindsay reminded the council that the Student Leadership Retreat was held at Rose State College in September with 175 students and 35 staff in attendance. She said the overall student evaluation comment was they would like to have had the opportunity to sit with students that

were not from their campus. She thanked the committee for making changes to the retreat and inviting all students in a leadership role to participate. Lindsay said one student expressed thanks for the retreat being held at Rose State College, as this made her feel seen. Another student asked how they could sit on the planning committee. Lindsay said she received an email from a student that would like to be more engaged with leadership from the Regents' office.

Kristen Partridge (OU) thanked Lindsay for coordinating the event. Lindsay thanked Debbie Myrick for her help as well. Liz McCraw (SEOSU) thanked Lance Newbold (RSC) for hosting the event. Joshua Busby (LU) thanked Lindsay and the committee.

7. Campus Hunger-Free Pilot Program – Lindsay Echols, Executive Director of Campus Compact and Director of Student Affairs and Diversity, OSRHE

Lindsay reminded the council of HB3416 by Representative Pae, which turned into the Campus Hunger-Free Pilot Program. The program will pilot two four-year institutions, two regional colleges and universities, and four two-year (or community) institutions in the state. Awardees must be public institutions. This grant matches up to \$25,000 each to four-year universities and colleges and up to \$15,000 each to two-year institutions. Lindsay asked the council to let her know if they are interested in participating in this pilot program by Tuesday, October 18th.

Kristen Partridge (OU) asked if research institutions will be allowed to participate in the future. Lindsay said she will check on this and get back with her. Kristen said she is happy to talk with others about pantry development. She said the OU pantry just moved to a larger facility in a higher impact area. She said they went from 140 clients per week to 475 clients in one visit. They are averaging 450 clients per week at the new facility.

Michael McClendon (TU) asked if the matching funds are the amount spent in a year and if the match is a one-time gift over four years. Lindsay said it is her understanding it is an annualized amount that the Regents receive each year. She will check further on when/if research and private institutions may participate since this is a pilot program. Michael said TU was ranked fifth for Pell-eligible students in Oklahoma. He said excluding private institutions may exclude a certain number of students that are still trying to get an education and often use grant funding.

Joshua Busby (LU) asked if the institution match is institutional dollars, foundation or private. Lindsay said it is her understanding this does not matter.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

8. State Regents' Update – Lindsay Echols

- Brad Griffith is happy to present micro-credentialing and badging opportunities to the council if more information is needed.
- The Strategic Planning Group will be sending recommendations soon. Chancellor Garrett should be invited to a COSA meeting to go over the recommendations.
- Lindsay reminded the council that Dr. Blanke is retiring October 31, 2022, and a national search is underway for her replacement.

9. Announcements – Joshua Busby

- The Oklahoma Women in Higher Education annual conference will be held November 18, 2022, at the University of Central Oklahoma.
- Holiday lunch after December 8th COSA meeting.
- The December 8th COSA meeting will need to be held offsite. The Regents' conference room will undergo a technology update. Kristen (OU) offered to host the December COSA meeting at OUHSC. Joshua said he would like to hold COSA meetings at other campuses in addition to the Regents' office.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Upcoming Events of Interest to the Council

October 17-21, 2022, Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training, People Inc. Conference Center, Sallisaw

October 18, 2022 – Oklahoma Statewide Transfer Student Success Conference, Oklahoma State University, Student Union Ballroom, Stillwater

November 14-18, 2022, Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training, Moore Norman Tech Center, South Penn Campus, Oklahoma City

December 2, 2022 – Cultural Response Convening Hidden Populations - Zoom