

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS
Hyatt Regency Tulsa Downtown – Promenade D
200 East Second Street, Tulsa, OK 74103
and via Zoom Video

Dr. Douglas Hallenbeck, Chair, Presiding
November 9, 2021
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Introductions – Douglas Hallenbeck

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

2. Approval of October 14, 2021 Minutes – Douglas Hallenbeck

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

INFORMATION OF INTEREST TO THE COUNCIL

3. Budget Update – Sheri Mauck, Interim Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance, OSRHE

Sheri informed the council of the FY23 system-wide budget request summary and provided a slide with a breakdown. The total funding request is approximately \$897.9 million, which is an increase of \$85.2 million or 10.5 percent above of the FY22 appropriation level. The increase has been separated into three sections: \$40.01 million for critical-demand Workforce Development initiatives, \$34.3 million for system operations and \$10.85 million for student success and college degree completion initiatives. Sheri gave an overview of each section's funding request.

4. National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) Region IV-West Conference –

Dr. Keegan Nichols, Vice President for Student Affairs, Arkansas Tech University
Dr. Brett Bruner, Assistant Vice President & Dean of Students, Missouri Western State University

Dr. Nichols and Dr. Bruner made an impromptu visit to welcome and thank the council for their participation in the NASPA conference.

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

Joel reported the interim studies were finished last week and mentioned several of the higher education studies. Joel told the council the special session on redistricting starts next week, the bill filing process will begin and the 2022 legislative session begins February 7, 2022. He also advised the council that OSRHE is looking to fill the legislative liaison position.

Zeak Naifeh (CU) asked if the session starts fresh or do bills automatically roll over. Joel said bills do not automatically roll over, but any bill that went dormant has the possibility to come back up this year.

6. Oklahoma Student Government Association Fall Congress Update – Lindsay Echols, Executive Director of Campus Compact & Director for Student Affairs and Diversity, OSRHE

Lindsay attended OSGA Fall Congress at Rose State College November 6-7, 2021. She said there were 58 students in attendance. Lindsay will find out the final number of legislation that passed and forward the information to the council. She mentioned Spring Congress will be held March 4-6, 2022, possibly at the Oklahoma State Capitol. Further details will be emailed when the location is secured.

Lindsay also advised the Student Government Association President Retreat will be held January 22-23, 2022, tentatively at University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma. She asked the council to talk to their students about the legislation they would like to propose.

7. Oklahoma Campus Compact Voter Registration Contest – Lindsay Echols, Executive Director of Campus Compact & Director for Student Affairs and Diversity, OSRHE

Lindsay advised the council the national Campus Compact would like their input on ways to encourage voter registration, as well as voter turnout. Please email any suggestions to Lindsay. She said the voter registration drive will begin in December 2021 and be extended through September 2022 in an effort to include all local and primary elections.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

8. Leadership Academy – Lindsay Echols

Lindsay mentioned she received two Leadership Academy applications from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. She thanked Dr. Patsy Parker (SWOSU) and encouraged the council to submit their applications and fees before the deadline of November 26, 2021. The first virtual meeting will be held December 10, 2021.

9. Affinity Groups – Lindsay Echols

Lindsay will email the application link next week for those interested in participating in the Affinity Groups. Lindsay said it is not necessary to be an expert and that this is a learning opportunity for all student affairs professionals.

10. State Regents' Update – Debbie Blanke

- Legislative Public Agenda will be available soon.
- OSRHE Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations Job Posting
- Pregnancy Survey Monkey and pdf coming soon.
- Thank you for your efforts in completing the Financial Literacy Report survey. The report will be presented at the December State Regents meeting.
- Council of Presidents ARPA funding requests Taskforce

- Micro Credential Initiative noncompetitive grant process Zoom November 12th at 1:30 p.m.
- New OTAG Workshop Zoom Webinar December 3rd at 10 a.m.
- OSRHE Chancellor Allison Garrett took office December 8th. She will have a presence on Facebook and Twitter. Dr. Garrett may be a guest at the January 12th COSA meeting.

11. Announcements – Douglas Hallenbeck

- Lindsay thanked council members that emailed her information regarding their food pantry. She encouraged those that have not replied to please email her the information she requested.
- Joshua Busby (LU) announced two Oklahomans have received the NASPA Foundation's Pillar of the Profession Award - Dr. Jerrid Freeman, Northeastern State University and Dr. Sara Mata, University of Oklahoma. He encouraged the council to support a fundraising opportunity on behalf of Jerrid. Joshua provided an electronic credit card reader for those that wished to donate.
- Zeak (CU) asked if vaccination rates can be compared across the state. He mentioned adding this to the current COVID Google Doc. Debbie Blanke said this is a possibility, and she will look into it.
- Zeak would like COSA to meet in person in December and have a luncheon afterward. Debbie Blanke offered to host the luncheon at the State Regents office if a meeting room is available. Debbie Myrick (OSRHE) advised the December 9th COSA meeting is scheduled to be held in the PHF (first floor of the State Regents office).
- Doug (OSU) asked how everyone was doing. He mentioned OSU's homecoming made it feel much more normal but said there is also anxiety from President Biden's vaccine mandate. Ina Agnew (OSUIT) asked Doug if OSU will terminate employees not vaccinated. Doug said they have a process in place with corrective actions and those who do not follow the corrective actions will be terminated, other than those with medical or religious exemptions. Joshua (LU) said they have three with religious exemptions.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

Upcoming Events of Interest to the Council

- November 2-17, 2021 – Campus Safety & Security Summit Series of Virtual Workshops
- November 18, 2021 – Annual Oklahoma Women in Higher Education Fall Conference, Virtual via Zoom
- December 1 – Reach Higher Lunch & Learn Series via Zoom