

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
Research Park, Oklahoma City

FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL
Minutes

Call to order. The Faculty Advisory Council met at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at the State Regents' office. Members present were Edgar O'Rear, Kenneth Bartels, Jarrad Wagner (telephone), Michael Dunn, Jason Prather (telephone), Pamela Louderback, Ginnett Rollins (telephone), Tassie Hirschfeld, Nick Materer, Michele Splinter, Russell Guthrie, Elicia Pollard (telephone), and Freeman Culver. Also present was Debra Stuart of the State Regents' staff. Michael Dunn presided.

Minutes from last meeting. The minutes of the November 2015 FAC meeting and the Faculty Assembly were approved as distributed.

Presentation of Annual Report to State Regents. Edgar O'Rear shared the slides he used to make this presentation. The presentation focused on faculty workload and communication.

Discussion of 2016 work plan topics. Michael Dunn reviewed the list of items that were discussed at the Faculty Assembly:

1. Quality of learning including teaching loads and scholarship,
2. Preparation of recent high schools graduates in math, writing, listening and reading including new English and math standards,
3. Campus security and safety including prohibition of weapons on campus,
4. Faculty having a greater voice at the Capitol,
5. College success including graduation rates and performance funding, and
6. Communications with faculty at all institutions.

Discussion included communication among faculty at all institutions and online instruction. January meeting will focus on the State Regents Online Education Task Force and the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA). February meeting will include a report of the State Regents Campus Safety and Security Task Force. March meeting will focus on K-12 standards and assessment. April meeting will include financial aid, financial literacy, student debt and loans.

Election of chairmen for January-March 2016 and for April-June 2016. Jarrad Wagner agreed to serve from January through March and Pamela Louderback agreed to serve April through June.

Future meeting dates and time. The next meetings will be held at 3:00 p.m. at the State Regents office on the following dates:

- Tuesday, January 5
- Tuesday, February 9

Other. Kenneth Bartels asked what plans are being discussed on campus to address the budget cuts. Discussion included hiring freeze and reducing some standards to attract faculty.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.