

**Minutes of the
Economic Development Council
Meeting**

May 24, 2016

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Members present:

Arun Tilak, CU; Ryan Blanton, CSC; Wendell Godwin, EOSC; Dana Hope Chism, LU; Cecil Carter, MSC; Sheri Snyder, NOC; John Claybon, OCCC; Consuelo McFadden, OPSU; Stan Greil, RSC; Larry Smith, SSC; Doug Misak, SWOSU; Brett Campbell, TCC; Mark Kinders, UCO; Alex Kangas, USAO;

Guests present:

Heather Kay, OSU-OKC; Sheryl Hale, OSUIT; Ken Boykin, OSUIT; Connie Lake, Tony Hutchison, Randy McCrary, Cody Ruiz, and Renae Brill, OSRHE staff.

1. Welcome and Introductions of all members and guests

Chairperson Arun Tilak started the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

2. Approval of January 12, 2016 and February 23, 2016 minutes

Minutes for January 12, 2016 and February 23, 2016 were approved.

3. Form 2016 Regents Business Partnership Excellence Award Ceremony and reception Planning Committee (RBPEA):

Chairperson Mr. Tilak opened the floor to the council. Mr. Claybon volunteered to be the Chair of the RBPEA. Brett Campbell, Dana Hope Chism, and Cecil Carter also volunteered to be on the committee.

4. Bring Successes! Be prepared to share in two minutes what is happening at your institution

Ryan Blanton – CSC has completed the renovation to Russell Hall

Cecil Carter – MSC had a 5 percent increase in enrollment this spring; MSC's Fall enrollments are running 3 percent over last year.

Jon Claybon – OCCC will launch its Honda PACT program in the fall of 2017. The program will train automotive technicians specializing in Honda and Acura automobiles. In addition, the technicians will be conferred Associates in Applied Science degrees in Automotive Technology upon successful completion of the curriculum. It will be the only program of its kind in the state.

Consuelo McFadden – OPSU's Rodeo Team will be going to the College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR) in June. OPSU's Phi Beta Lambda will be going to national competition in

Atlanta in June. OPSU is getting a new President, Dr. Timothy Faltyn, starting June 1st. AITP received top honors at competition. Brett Campbell – TCC

Sheri Snyder – NOC graduated a record number of students this academic year; preliminary numbers for 2016 are 830 students or 890 degrees. Of those, 497 students were from the spring semester (NOC's target goal was 500). In March, the NOC Foundation received a planned gift of \$115,000 to establish an endowed scholarship fund. This past year, the NOC Foundation awarded over \$219,000 in scholarships to students – thanks to generous donations.

Wendell Godwin – ECU placed First and Second at the Oklahoma Governors Cup Entrepreneurial Competition in OKC in April. ECU's teams won \$25,000 in prize money and scholarships. ECU will be hosting Oklahoma Business Week starting June 5 – 9. This is a nationally awarded summer camp for 80 high school students. The camp focuses on Entrepreneurship and Leadership. ECU hosted the State Science Fair in April. ECU received donor funds to start the "Slover Cape Center for Business Technology and Economic Development."

Dana Hope Chism – LU dedicated the Physical Therapy Building. The Oklahoma City branch campus of LU will be moving onto the Millwood Public Schools Campus.

Alex Kangas – USAO held their annual Spring Triad this April. It consists of three events held on the same day: USAO Scholastic Meet, Montmartre Chalk Art Festival, and Droverstock Music Festival. For the Scholastic Meet, they had over 1,000 high school students from 48 schools take more than 1,300 exams. The Chalk Art festival had 45 school districts represented, 864 artists participated, and 336 works of art created in four hours. Droverstock music festival brings together students, vendors, and community members for a day of music.

Heather Kay – OSU-OKC will hold two free summer camps. June 12-17, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. will be the first camp called, "So You Want to Be"... - College and Career Exploration Camp at OSU-OKC for students entering the 6th or 7th grade. July 11- July 22, 2016 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will be National Summer Transportation Institute Camp – Exposure to college and career opportunities in the transportation industry for students entering the 10th, 11th or 12th grade. OSU-OKC's new Allied Health Building will be open in August.

Doug Misak – SWOSU; Mr. Misak shared with the council some changes at the Center for Economic Business Development (CEBD) at SWOSU.

Effective May 1st 2016

1. The CEBD will be moved into the conference center at SWOSU and assume the day to day operation of the center with a focus on increasing the external usage of the conference center.
2. The CEBD will assume responsibilities for continuing education at SWOSU.

Mark Kinders – UCO graduated 2,106 students in the spring semester. UCO will receive a minimum of \$15 million in sales tax support for a 1,500-seat Fine Arts Performance Center (FAPC) as a consequence of a City of Edmond sales tax vote in April. The FAPC will house the UCO School of Music.

Facilitated to incorporate the Central Oklahoma STEM Alliance (COSTEMA), This partnership impacts 150,000 K-12 students in Oklahoma County. The purpose is to close the 50 percent annual gap in STEM-ready high school graduates for the workforce or higher education. There are numerous partners in business, industry, non-profits, and PK-16. Among them: Oklahoma City Community College, Rose State, Metro Tech, Francis-Tuttle Technology Center, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City Public Schools, Oklahoma Engineering Foundation, Oklahoma STEM Foundation, OK Workforce Development Board, After School Network, and many more.

5. New Business

Nomination of 2016-17 Executive Committee members (two from each of the two-year and four-year tiers)

- a. The chair sought nominations from the two-year representatives for replacement of Kathy Harrell from Carl Albert State College who is no longer on the council. Brett Campbell from Tulsa Community College was nominated by Jon Claybon from Oklahoma City Community College and seconded by Stan Greil from Rose State College. The two-year tier representatives confirmed these nominations.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.