

Title 610 - State Regents for Higher Education

Chapter 1 - Administrative Operations

Subchapter 3 - Student Advisory Board

610:1-3-1. Purpose

(a) The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education recognize the value of a formal structure for student input and a strengthened linkage to its most important constituency-students. Consequently, the State Regents have created a Student Advisory Board to assist the State Regents in enhancing their relationship with students. The creation of this board is consistent with provisions of House Bill No. 1801 of the 1988 Oklahoma Legislature [70 O.S., §3205.5 and 3205.6] which became effective November 1, 1988.

(b) The purpose of the Student Advisory Board is to communicate to the State Regents the views and interests of all Oklahoma college and university students on those issues that relate to the constitutional and statutory responsibilities of the State Regents. In representing students, the Student Advisory Board shall combine the opinions of students with good sound research to develop the best proposals and recommendations for The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

[Source: Amended at 26 Ok Reg 1323, eff 5-25-09]

610:1-3-2. Membership

(a) The Student Advisory Board consists of seven members elected by delegates to the Oklahoma Student Government Association (O.S.G.A) at its annual meeting.

(b) Board members will be selected as follows:

(1) Two members will be elected at large to represent the comprehensive universities in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

(2) Two members will be elected at large to represent the regional and senior universities in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

(3) Two members will be elected at large to represent the community colleges in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

(4) One member will be elected at large to represent the accredited independent colleges and universities in the state.

(c) The term of office of the Student Advisory Board is one year. A member may serve a maximum of three terms.

(d) A member must be enrolled in at least 12 semester credit hours at an Oklahoma college or university and must have a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale. A member must attend the type of institution that he/she is elected to represent.

(e) Members will take office each year at the State Regents' May meeting.

(f) A member who wishes to resign before his/her term expires must notify in writing the State Regents and the Oklahoma Student Government Association.

(g) Members are required to attend all regularly scheduled Student Advisory Board meetings. Any member absent from three (3) regularly scheduled meetings, excluding meetings in June and July, shall be removed from office.

(h) A member may be removed from office if he/she does not continue to meet the requirements as set forth in (d) of this Section during the term of office.

(i) The Student Advisory Board members shall have the powers to recommend to the Board of Directors of the O.S.G.A removal of a fellow Student Advisory Board member for violations of duties set forth in 610:1-3-3.

(j) The Board of Directors of the O.S.G.A. shall by majority vote have the power to remove a Student Advisory Board member congruent to any such recommendation made from the Student Advisory Board.

(k) A Student Advisory Board member who is removed from office shall not be considered a past member.

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610:1-3-3. Duties

(a) So that members of the Student Advisory Board may adequately represent the views of other state students, each member will visit at least two other schools within the State System during his/her term of office. These other schools may not be under the same governing board as the institution that the member is attending. During these visits, the member should speak with student government leaders on important issues of student concern.

(b) The Student Advisory Board will serve as an avenue for the student community to express its opinions and interests to the State Regents.

(c) The Student Advisory Board will elect a chair at its first meeting following election to serve as its liaison to the State Regents' office.

(d) The chair will work with the State Regents' office through a staff liaison designated by the Chancellor.

(e) The Student Advisory Board will elect a vice-chair at its first meeting following election to take official minutes of the Student Advisory Board meetings, maintain a file of Student Advisory Board actions, and preside over Student Advisory Board meetings in the absence of the chair.

(f) Members of the Student Advisory Board will be called upon by the Chancellor to provide informal counsel and advice and to make presentations at public hearings, legislative meetings, etc.

(g) The Student Advisory Board will hold eleven (11) regular meetings each term excluding extraordinary, unforeseen circumstances which prevent holding a regular meeting.

(h) The Student Advisory Board, by a majority vote of its members, may submit recommendations to the State Regents on matters relating to the duties and responsibilities of the State Regents.

(i) Members of the Student Advisory Board are encouraged to attend all regularly scheduled meetings of the State Regents. The board's elected representative has speaking privileges at such meetings in accordance with State Regents' operating policy.

(j) Members of the Student Advisory Board are encouraged to attend student leadership retreats sponsored by the State Regents. Costs related to Student Advisory Board members attending State Regents sponsored student leadership retreats may be paid from the operating budget of the State Regents.

(k) The representative at the State Regents' meetings will be responsible for recognizing other members of the Student Advisory Board for the purposes of:

(1) Speaking on issues that concern students and relate to the State Regents' duties and responsibilities.

(2) Presenting recommendations that relate to the State Regents' duties and responsibilities.

(l) The Student Advisory Board will work with the Chancellor and the designated staff liaison in developing an annual list of priorities and goals for rendering advice to the State Regents.

(m) The chair or other designated spokesman of the Student Advisory Board shall have a place on the agenda of regular State Regents' meetings for the purpose of making a report.

(n) The Student Advisory Board will submit an annual written report of its activities to the State Regents and the Oklahoma Student Government Association and will also maintain regular contact with the Association to apprise it of significant developments.

(o) The Student Advisory Board will follow the requirements of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act [25 O.S., § 301 et seq.].

(p) Members of the Student Advisory Board shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the official performance of their duties as members of the Student Advisory Board in accordance with the State Travel Law [74 O.S., § 500.1 et seq.]. Reimbursements will be paid from the operating budget of the State Regents and must have the prior approval of the Chancellor's office and the Student Advisory Board chair.

(q) Clerical and administrative assistance to the Student Advisory Board will be provided by the Chancellor's office and the designated staff liaison in the conduct of the Student Advisory Board business.

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610:1-3-4. Guidelines for operation

(a) The Student Advisory Board will operate under the provisions of 70 O.S., §§ 3205.5 and 3205.6.

(b) The Student Advisory Board will also operate under guidelines established by the Student Advisory Board and approved by the State Regents.

610:1-3-5. Meetings

(a) A schedule of regular meetings of the Student Advisory Board will be filed annually with the Secretary of State and with the State Regents' office.

(b) A record of the Student Advisory Board meetings shall be kept on official file in the office of the State Regents.

(c) An individual designated by the Chancellor shall be invited to attend official meetings of the Student Advisory Board.

610:1-3-6. Amendments

The provisions in this Subchapter may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Advisory Board and approval of the State Regents.

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