

**UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND ARTS OF OKLAHOMA
BOARD OF REGENTS
MINUTES
December 7, 2022**

The Board of Regents for the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma met Wednesday, December 7, 2022, in the Student Center Ballroom on the Science & Arts campus. Before the meeting was called to order, President John Feaver stated that advance public notice of this meeting was properly filed and displayed in compliance with the Open Meeting Law. Chair Mosley called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. and asked for roll call. Members present- David McLaughlin, Chris Mosley, Kelly Wilkerson, Diane Ming, Cale Walker, and JJ Francais. Members absent- David Ferrell. Also present were: President John Feaver, Vice President Donna Miles, Vice President Mick Coponiti, Vice President Sid Hudson, Vice President Monica Trevino, Vice President JP Audas, Assistant to the President Cathy Perri, Director of Communications and Marketing Amy Goddard, Faculty Association President Dr. Kate Sekula, Student Government Chandler Leamon-Webb, Staff Association Daniel Pool, Alumni Relations Dawn Reitan-Brockman, and Diane Carroll, Executive Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Science & Arts Board of Regents.

Introductions: Kay Neill & Phillip Wint addressed the Board on how much the university means to them.

Presentations: None

Approval of the Minutes of the November 9, 2022, meeting: On a motion by Regent Ming, seconded by Regent Wilkerson, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Communications: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. Personnel –

a. Appointments:

Maria Lopez, effective November 18, 2022, Custodian

b. Change in Status:

Tom Coker, effective November 1, 2022, IT Technician- Level II
Allen Kaulaity, effective November 1, 2022, IT Technician- Level I

c. Resignations: None

d. Adjunct Faculty for the Spring 2023:

Susan Adams-Johnson	Voice
Freddy Baeza	Art
Kaleb Benda	Music
Jerry Bennett	Art
Ron Blankinship	Music
Luke Burns	Physical Education
Patricia Carr	Mathematics
Davon Carrington	Music
Jamie Caves	Management
Matthew Caves	Business Administration
Justin Croshure	Music
Chad Eggar	Art
Rhenada Finch	Music
Pamela Foster	Psychology
Chris Francis	Physical Education
Tyle Hankins	Physical Education
Emily Hector-Godwin	Physical Education/Theatre Arts
Adam Heilman	Art
Rachel Jackson	American Indian Studies
Darrick Matthews	Physical Education
Robert Miles	Business
Andy Myers	Art
Kelli Monroe	IDS
Amanda Mullins	Sociology
Brent Noel	Theatre
Aminah Orozco	Physical Education
Bruce Renfroe	Physical Education
Mary Reynolds	Mathematics
Anna Roach	Music
Kasey Sams	Theatre Arts
Annette Shaw	Physical Education
David (Bret) Smithey	Music
Jonathan Thomason	Physical Education
Francisco Venegas	Music
Jadyn Wallis	Physical Education
Brian Worthington	Physical Education
Reginna R. Zhidov	Art

On a motion by Regent McLaughlin, seconded by Regent Francais, the Board voted unanimously to approve the personnel actions.

2. Financial Statements – Vice President for Business and Finance Mick Coponiti covered the monthly financials with the group.

No action was necessary.

3. Request for Acceptance of FY2021-2022 External Audit Report – The Finance and Audit Committee met prior to the board meeting. Kirk Van Derslice of Hinkle & Company touched on key points of the audit with the full board. Auditors found no weaknesses, deficiencies, or fraud issues. Overall a clean audit.

Finance and Audit Committee Regent Walker recommended acceptance of the audit as presented, Regent Wilkerson seconded. The Board voted unanimously to approve the external audit report.

4. Request for Approval of Academic Calendar for 2023-2024 – The 2023-2024 academic calendar was presented to the Board for approval.

On a motion from Regent Francais, seconded by Regent Walker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the academic calendar.

5. Adoption of Schedule for Regular Meetings for 2023 – The regular meeting schedule was presented.

On a motion by Regent Walker to amend the starting time to 1:00 p.m. and seconded by Regent Wilkerson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2023 schedule for regular meetings.

6. President's Report

- a. Science & Arts and Redlands Community College update – State Regents will provide significant funding to assist the two schools to collaborate in providing select services, functions and programs. The effort is now underway. We are also collaborating with other schools to include Cameron University, Western Oklahoma State College, Murray State College and OU's School of Nursing.
- b. Senior Day & Spring Enrollment-Trends – Sheppard McConnell provided a handout for the Board and reported that our recent Senior Day had a record 815 registered. Spring Enrollment looks promising, fall 2023 enrollments also.
- d. Retention/Graduation Rates are showing improvement.
- e. Athletics Report & Strategic Plan – Vice President Hudson and Athletics Director Mike Ross provided an update on the recent success and rankings of our athletic programs. Ross introduced Ms. Emma Rice as perhaps the best woman soccer player Science and Arts has ever had. He detailed her many great accomplishments. Ms. Rice thanked the Board for her time at Science and Arts.
- f. Other – The President reminded the Board of the college's extensive involvement in the redevelopment of Chickasha's historic downtown commercial district.

7. Remarks from Representatives to the Board

- a. Student Government – Chandler Leamon-Webb – Reported on the many activities of the Student Government Association. Student involvement has increased. The Oklahoma Student Government Association was on campus and of the 27 Bills passed 21 were authored by Science and Arts delegates.

International student Harry Cracknell has agreed to serve on the SGA Board. Town Hall was held with VP Trevino and Associate VP McConnell to discuss students concern over Sparks Hall.

- b. Faculty Association – Dr. Kate Sekula, President Faculty Association – Reports are in binders, showing faculty involved in the community and also their work on curriculum changes (Math and Education).
- c. Alumni Association – Dawn Reitan-Brockman, Director of Alumni Relations and University Development – Report in the binders.
- d. Staff Association – No report

8. Time and Place of Next Meeting – The next meeting will be held Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. on the Science & Arts Campus.

9. Consideration of “any matter not known about which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting of the agenda” – None.

10. Executive session – Chair Mosley asked for a motion to move the meeting into executive session. On a motion from Regent Ming, seconded by Regent Walker, the Board voted unanimously to move into Executive Session at 1:52 p.m. in order to address the following item.

- a. Discussion of Personnel

11. Return to Open Session – Chair Mosley asked for a motion to move the meeting into open session. On a motion from Regent Wilkerson, seconded by Regent Francais, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session at 4:08 p.m.

- a. Discussion of Personnel

There was discussion to have a Special Board meeting on January 4, 2023 in the President’s Conference room at 9:00 a.m. Vice President Coponiti will check on search procedures, and President Feaver will check with AGB for process.

12. Adjournment – On a motion by Regent Francais, seconded by Regent Walker, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn. Chair Mosley declared the Board meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m.