

OA Council Minutes

February 14, 2014
10:00 am – 11:30 am
EMU Walnut Room

Members	Lead Assignment/Title	Present
Miriam Bolton	Chair	x
Patrick Chinn	Webmaster	x
Chris LeBlanc	OA Forums, Web backup	
Deb Mailander	Communications, Policy	x
Colleen McKillip	OA Forums, Policy	x
Teri Rowe	Vice Chair	x
Spencer Smith	Prof. Development/HR Liaison, backup comm.	x
Paula Staight	Prof. Development/HR Liasion, OA Forums	x

Guests:

- Kurt Willcox, member, UO Board of Trustees/Research Analyst
- Susan Gary, member, UO Board of Trustees/Professor of Law
- Greg Rikhoff, Assistant VP and Chief of Staff, UO President's Office
- Helen Chu, Faculty Advisory Council/UO Libraries
- Tom Akers, Psychology
- Debbie Thurman, Law
- Micah Sardell, Information Services
- Cortney McIntyre, Graduate School/RIGE
- Kellie Geldreich, Graduate School/RIGE
- ... and others.

Topic	Discussion	Decision	Assignment
UO Board of Trustees	<p>Details of new Board: Meets 4 times a year. Three designated positions: one faculty, one student, and one staff; the rest are at-large representatives. Terms of service vary and are staggered. The Governor's Office appoints board members. The President reports to the Board. Most work done in committees. As of Feb. 14, 2014, none of those committees had met yet. Details and meeting times for the Board are at trustees.uoregon.edu. Anyone is welcome to attend board meetings.</p> <p>Kurt and Susan consider themselves representatives <i>from</i> the pool of faculty and non-faculty employees but are not on the Board as representatives <i>of</i> these groups.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Policies governing OAs are geared toward faculty. Who is going to govern OA employment?</i> Board will address OAR-based policies, with ones deemed critical getting attention as soon as possible. Non OAR-based policies will continue to go through the existing policy process. • <i>How does the Board see the relationship with the State and other universities in light of the Governor's 40-40-20 goals?</i> Generally, there is a desire to keep the best Oregon students in-state and educate as many Oregonians as possible. UO also wants and needs to continue bringing in good students from out-of-state and overseas. • <i>Is there a way to get UO's financial information published in a way that makes it easier to obtain?</i> (OSU was listed as an example.) Kurt and Susan asked the OA Council to provide them with a memo that details the challenges so they can look into it. • <i>The "non-faculty staff" position on the Board: does this refer to Classified Staff, OAs, or both? Can an OA be appointed to the Board?</i> The Governor appoints Board members, and it is unclear if he's familiar with the difference between Classified Staff and Officers of Administration. Susan agreed that the Board and Governor should understand the distinction if they do not. 	n/a	Follow up with information requested by Susan and Kurt on policies and financial transparency

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Debrief on Ninkasi social	Feedback was positive and evening hours were a good option for many who attended. The group decided there was interest in holding a winery event. Other suggestions included events around roller derby and ice hockey.	Feedback provided to OA Forums subcommittee	n/a
OA Forums	March 14 meeting will be an open house for any OAs interested in serving	n/a	n/a
Reports on initiatives	Agenda item tabled	n/a	n/a

Recorder: Patrick Chinn