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OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION FOR INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND PLANNING



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Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings! It is my pleasure to invite you to the Fall 2004 OKAIRP Conference. The conference is scheduled for Friday, November 5, 2004 at Cameron University in Lawton. A pre-conference session is tentatively scheduled for November 4, 2004. More information will be provided as details are finalized.

The OKAIRP board is working on an exciting agenda for the conference. We have invited Dr. Annmarie Shirazi, Oklahoma City Community College, to deliver the keynote address. Dr. Shirazi will address the history of OKAIRP and the changing roles of assessment, institutional research, and planning over a 30 year career.

We would like to have three time periods for concurrent sessions. If you would like to submit a proposal to, or know someone who may have an interest in doing so, please send the title and a 100-word abstract to cboling@ucok.edu. At the last Fall conference, there were nine concurrent sessions offered. The concurrent sessions help make this your conference. So let's have those proposals pouring in. The board is also accepting proposals for poster sessions.

Conference attendance for the past several conferences has been right at 40 people. Let's have our best conference ever: As president, I challenge you to invite or bring at least one person to the conference. Let's bring back those members that have not attended in a long time. Let's bring in new membership (graduate students, K-12, vendors, etc.) The possibilities are limit

less. Various door prizes will be awarded.

The Spring 2005 conference will be held at Tulsa Technology Center. Dates have not yet been determined.

- Cindy Boling, President

Spring OKAIRP Conference Was a Huge Success

About 40 individuals attended the Oklahoma Association for Institutional Research and Planning (OKAIRP) conference that was held at the University of Science and Arts in Chickasha on April 2, 2004. Keynoting the conference was Dr. Paul Risser, Chancellor of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. Chancellor Risser spoke on the results of various policies and the impact they have on the state. Mr. Bob Smith of the Smith Consulting Group discussed the topics of ethics and accountability. Dr. Jim Purcell, Executive Director of State System Research for the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education, gave an insightful presentation on the role of IR in utilizing information on campuses, using the medieval Merlin as inspiration. The concurrent sessions featured a variety of topics from a student success model, testing systems, consortiums, and online surveys. Pre-conference topics of online factbooks and special features of Excel were very helpful.

OKAIRP Spring 2004 Conference Registration Form
Cameron University, Lawton, Oklahoma
November 5, 2004

Name: _____
Title: _____
Institution: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (____) _____ FAX: (____) _____
E-mail: _____

- \$20, I am a graduate student.
- \$40, I will attend the conference.
- Vegetarian meal, or other special needs _____

Registration includes membership, continental breakfast, and lunch.

Payment Method:	Submit Form and Payment to:
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Check	Mary Millikin-Davies, Director
<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional Check	Institutional Assessment & Research
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Please make check or purchase Okmulgee, OK 74447	
order payable to OKAIRP	Phone: (918) 293-5494
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Registration must be received by October 29th in order to guarantee lunch.

Mark Your Calendar!!!

OKAIRP
Fall Conference
November 5, 2004
Cameron University
Lawton, Oklahoma

Call for Proposals

The Oklahoma Association for Institutional Research and Planning (OKAIRP) invites interested parties to submit one or more proposals for presentation at the Fall 2004 Conference. The association is seeking proposals in the areas of statistics, assessment, enrollment management, technology, and other institutional research and planning issues.

Based on feedback from our strategic conversation at the Spring 2003 Conference at Oral Roberts University, the OKAIRP board has tried to address the needs and interests expressed by the membership. Data warehousing is the one topic that has not been addressed. Members have also expressed interest in the following topics:

- Data warehousing
- Sessions for new professionals (topics on mentoring relationships)
- Professional and ethical accountability
- Alignment of State Regents' Policy on Assessment with NCA Criteria.
- Performance-Based Funding (Brain Gain Initiative)
- Institutional funding and budget cuts
- Grant writing, and other sources of alternative funding strategies
- Developing an institutional fact book or resource catalog
- Best Practices in assessment and research
- Implementation of programs or processes based on research and/or assessment

The preceding list is presented merely as a suggestion for topics that are of interest to the OKAIRP membership at large. Please do not hesitate to submit a proposal on any topic that you think

would be of interest to higher education professionals working in institutional research, planning, or assessment.

The board also wishes to encourage poster sessions. Posters should be in place by 8:30 a.m. on November 5. Presenters should be available before, after, and during breaks to answer questions.

To submit a proposal, send the title and a 100-word abstract through e-mail to cboling@ucok.edu. Proposals are due by October 8, 2004. Time allotted for a presentation is usually 50 minutes per session. With the presenter's permission, presentations will be posted to the OKAIRP website after the conference.

OKAIRP Board News

In Fall 2004, half of the board will rotate off due to expiring terms. These members are Jody Worley (Tulsa Community College), Gena Drechsler (University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma), and Leslie Hale (Tulsa Technology Center). The time com-

mitment is fairly small. Most of the business is handled via email. Talk to any current board member for details. Nominations for these three positions are now being accepted. Please send an email to Cindy Boling (cboling@ucok.edu) or Carla Robison (crobison@usao.edu). Include the nominee's name and a brief biography (not to exceed 100 words).