

Oregon
University
System



Governance Focus Group

Presentation / Discussion Agenda
June 2008



Goals today:

1. Identify and discuss key aspects of OUS' governance structure
2. Identify and discuss issues for further consideration and potential change

A View of OUS Governance Structure:

1. Diagram overview
2. Commentary and discussion
3. Issues of delegation

Board Meetings and Operations:

1. Required schedule:
 - a) **By statute – 3 per year**
 - b) **By bylaws – 4 per year**
2. Optimum schedule and structure
3. Use of committees
 - ✓ **delegation**
4. Terms of directors



Budgets and Finance:

1. Block grant funding
2. DAS accounting requirements
3. Tuition control

OUS Central Office Staffing:

1. Vice Chancellor / Academic Affairs
2. Other

Next Steps:

1. Issues for development and discussion at July Board meeting



A View of the OUS Governance Structure

The Board

Board-to-Presidents:

- Board “may” appoint presidents (and faculty) and set compensation and tenure
- Board “may” set admissions qualifications, confer degrees
 - ORS 351.0700(3)
- Board supervises course of instruction, determines institutional governance, and other tasks; delegable powers
 - ORS 351.070(4); ORS 351.200
- President is executive and governing officer of institution and president of faculty, subject to supervision of Board
 - ORS 352.004; 352.010

Board-to-Chancellor:

- Board has broad general powers of governance over OUS, its properties and other assets, personnel system, tuition, and sets all policies for its operations and institutional instruction and governance
 - ORS 351.010; 351.0060; 351.070; 351.087
- Board appoints Chancellor as “CEO” of OUS (and assistants) and sets compensation
 - ORS 351.075
- Chancellor exercises administrative authority over institutions, departments, and activities per Board policy.
 - ORS 351.085

Chancellor

Chancellor to Presidents:

- Chancellor exercises administrative authority over institutions, departments, and activities per Board policy.
- Chancellor maintains centralized service program for all institutions, prepares budgets, instructs presidents as necessary to carry out Board directives, etc.
 - ORS 351.085

Presidents
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