



**AGENDA**

**Board of Regents Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.  
Murray State College  
One Murray Campus, Tishomingo, OK 73460**

**MINUTES**

The Board of Regents of Murray State College met in a regular session beginning at 7:29 p.m. on April 7, 2026, at Murray State College. Notice of the meeting and its agenda were given and posted prior to the meeting as required by law and a quorum was present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Regent Leslie Larsen, Regent Keith Gray, Regent Clay McCall, Regent Allen Benson, Regent Suzie Brewster and Regent Adisha Chapman.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Regent Dillon Sparks

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dr. Tim Faltyn, President; Becky Henthorn, Provost Senior Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs; Justin Cellum, Executive Vice President of Finance and Operations; Ginger Cothran, Vice President of Ardmore; Jordyn Frazier, Vice President of External Affairs; Kandy Rutledge, Assistant Vice President of Enrollment Management; Quinton Jones, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs; Justin Rutledge, Assistant Vice President of Finance and Operations; Robyn Peterson, Public Information Officer; Tracey Hickman, Assistant Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs; Helen Jeffery, Executive Assistant to the President and Board Secretary; Whitney Ground, Executive Assistant to the Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs; Morgan Whitmire; Executive Assistant to the Executive Vice President of Finance and Operations; Dr. Sheena Connolly, Faculty Assembly Chair; Cali Grimmatt, Staff Assembly Chair; and Kyle Shifflet, Deputy General Counsel, Oklahoma Office of Attorney General.

- I. **DINNER FOR MSC BOARD OF REGENTS** –No public business will be discussed, and no action will be taken.
- II. **MSC BOARD MEETING - CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL** – Larsen
- III. **STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT** – Jeffery
- IV. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA / NON-AGENDA ITEMS** – Larsen
- V. **ACTION AGENDA** – Larsen
  - A. **Request Approval:** *Request Approval of the Minutes from Regular Meeting on February 17, 2026.*  
**Motion:** Regent Brewster moved to approve the Minutes from Regular Meeting on February 17, 2026. Regent Benson seconded and the motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYE: Larsen, Gray, McCall, Benson, Brewster, and Chapman.

NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

- B. ***Discussion:*** Regent Benson presented discussion items and recommendations from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting on March 24, 2026.

***Request Approval:***

- a. *Request Approval* of the following proposed bachelor's degree programs to allow submission of individual programs once a formal OSRHE approval process has been established:
  - i. Teacher Education
  - ii. Customer Experience – Hospitality Management Option and Retail Management Option
  - iii. Veterinary Nursing
  - iv. Industrial Engineering
  - v. Agriculture
  - vi. Gunsmithing – Conversion to a 90-hour bachelor's degree
- b. Request Approval to delete the following programs: - **EXHIBIT 3, pg. 12**
  - i. Associate of Applied Science in Business Management, Medical Office Assistant Option.
  - ii. Associate of Science in Agriculture, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Option.

***Motion:*** Regent Gray moved to approve of the proposed bachelor's degree programs to allow submission of individual programs once a formal OSRHE approval process has been established and to delete the Associate of Applied Science in Business Management, Medical Office Assistant Option and the Associate of Science in Agriculture, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Option as presented. Regent Chapman seconded and the motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYE: Larsen, Gray, McCall, Benson, Brewster and Chapman.

NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

- C. ***Discussion:*** Regent Gray presented discussion items and recommendations from the Business Affairs Committee Meeting on March 26, 2026.

- a. Request Approval for Murray State College Supplemental Retirement Plan.

***Motion:*** Regent Benson moved to approve the Murray State College Supplemental Retirement plan as presented. Regent Brewster seconded and the motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYE: Larsen, Gray, McCall, Benson, Brewster and Chapman.

NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

VI. **REPORTS** – Larsen

- A. Chair Report – Larsen
- B. President’s Report – Faltyn
  - 1. President’s Remarks
  - 2. Updated 2026 Board of Regents Meeting Schedule
  - 3. Association of Community College Trustees, Governance Leadership Institute: Strengthening the Leadership Team of the Board
  - 4. Board of Regents Meeting Policy Update
- C. Academic & Student Affairs Report- Henthorn
  - 1. Academic & Student Affairs Update
  - 2. Rank Promotion
  - 3. Summer Activities
- D. Business Affairs Report- Cellum
  - 1. Financial Report
    - a. E&G I Summary of Revenues and Expenses Report
    - b. E&G I Detailed Expenses Report
    - c. Auxiliary Enterprise Report
- E. Ardmore Campus Update – Cothran
- F. External Relations Report- Frazier
  - 1. Grant Report
  - 2. External Communications
    - a. Aggelite
    - b. The Murray Happenings from February 10, 2026 to March 30, 2026
    - c. News Clippings from February 10, 2026 to March 30, 2026
- G. Department Reports
  - 1. Academic & Student Affairs Report
  - 2. Business Affairs Report

VII. **NEW BUSINESS** – Consideration and possible action on new items of business, not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of the posting of the Agenda.

VIII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Larsen - Discussion and possible action to convene in Executive Session Pursuant to Title 25 O.S. §307. (B)(1), to discuss the hiring, termination, performance, or employment of all individuals listed in section (VIII)(B)(1) – (11); and pursuant to Title 25 O.S. § 307.B3, to discuss the purchase or appraisal of real property.

- A. **Discussion/Action** – *Discuss and Vote on whether to Enter Executive Session.*  
**Motion** – Regent Benson moved to enter into Executive Session at 8:14 p.m. Regent Brewster seconded and the motion carried with the following roll call vote:  
AYE: Larsen, Gray, McCall, Benson, Brewster and Chapman.  
NAY: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.
- B. **Executive Session** – Larsen  
Discussion on items as stated on the posted agenda.

- C. **Discussion/Action** - *Exit Executive Session and Vote to re-enter Open Session.*  
**Motion** – Regent Benson moved to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session at 8:48 p.m. Regent Brewster seconded and the motion carried with the following roll call vote:  
AYE: Larsen, Gray, McCall, Benson, Brewster and Chapman.  
NAY: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT** –Chair Larsen adjourned the meeting at 8:51 pm.

BOARD OF REGENTS OF MURRAY STATE COLLEGE

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Board Chair

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Board Secretary