

Oklahoma Sociological Association
Business Meeting
November 7, 2008
Rogers State University

OSA President Monica Varner of Rogers State University welcomed members and guests. She introduced President Elect Joanna Howard from Langston University and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Chappell from the University of Central Oklahoma. According to Dr. Varner, 13 educational institutions were represented at the conference – 12 from Oklahoma and one from Arkansas.

Dr. Varner introduced the President of Rogers State, Dr. Larry Rice. Dr. Rice gave an overview of the campus. On December 4, 2008 Rogers State University will dedicate a centennial clock and in March, 2009 the school will be celebrating its centennial anniversary. A new student center is scheduled to open January, 2009.

Dr. Varner presided over the business meeting. Ms. Chappell presented the minutes and budget. Both were unanimously approved.

Dr. Varner reported that Dr. John Cross of Oklahoma State University is turning *Free Inquiry* over to Dr. Al Mata of the University of Oklahoma. Ebsco Host has contacted Dr. Cross with the possibility of providing *Free Inquiry* on-line. OSA President Elect Joanna Howard will be included in the negotiations. Dr. Donna Barlow of Southwestern Oklahoma State University was involved in the initiative for 150 international subscriptions for *Free Inquiry*.

Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer were opened. Dr. LaDonna McCune of Langston University was elected. The responsibilities include monitoring the funding and paying expenses as well as keeping up with the membership lists for OSA and *Free Inquiry*.

Nominations for President Elect were opened. Ms. Brenda Chappell was elected.

A question was posed about the total number of the membership. Dr. Varner responded that the number has been as low as 30 but generally averages 65.

A motion was made to adjourn and all approved.