

SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY

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SRSU Policy: External Councils and Committees

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In the interest of involving the general public in an advisory and supportive capacity of University programs and activities, several external committees and councils are organized. These exist generally to ensure community and regional involvement in University programs; enhance communication between the University and the Alpine community and Big Bend region; and build support and develop advocacy for University programs throughout the region. Each of the committees or councils is appointed by the President of the University. Each serves in an advisory capacity to the director of the program involved or to another designated administrator.

A. Agricultural Advisory Committee

Consists of regular members, ex officio members, and honorary members appointed by the President of the University. The committee selects its own chair and meets subject to his/her call. The President of the University, the Dean of Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, and the Executive Vice President and Provost serve as ex officio members of this committee. The committee is charged with the responsibility of communicating to the President and the Dean of Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences needs pertaining to the agricultural interests in the Trans-Pecos area, the Chihuahuan Desert, and the Davis Mountains region. The communication is intended to encourage a continuous updating of the teaching programs in agriculture and provide guidelines for developing cooperative service projects to improve the income and production of agricultural producers in West Texas.

B. Center for Big Bend Studies Council

Is advisory and assists the Center Director in developing and maintaining a statement of purpose and goals for the Center which are consistent with the educational, research, and public service functions of the University; developing general policies required to attain the objectives of the Center; assisting in the review and evaluation processes and in planning for subsequent activities; and developing recommendations for implementing, supplementing, or changing the general administrative policies of the Center. The council reports directly to the President of the University who also sits as an ex officio member.

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C. President's Club (formerly President's Support Group)

Includes persons whose primary interest is in supporting the development and growth of University unrestricted funds and endowments, and in enhancing visibility of the University throughout the region and state. At the present time, this group serves as the endowment development committee of the University. It is chaired by the President of the University and meets subject to his call. The Executive Vice President and Provost and the Vice President for Finance and Operations serve as ex officio members of the group.

D. Museum Advisory Council

The MOBB Advisory Council is organized exclusively to support the programs and educational activities of the institution and Sul Ross State University. This support is provided through advocacy and financial assistance. Membership is by invitation only.

E. Borderland Research Institute Advisory Board

The Borderlands Research Institute for Natural Resource Management is part of Sul Ross State University (SRSU) and is in the Texas State University System. The Advisory Board is appointed by the President of SRSU and consists of 9-15 members represented by constituents of the Chihuahuan Desert Borderlands including landowners, civic leaders, and other interested parties. Advisory Board members provide guidance and advisement on Mission, Goals, Strategies of the Institute, assists in establishing research priorities in west Texas and northern Mexico, helps with fund-raising by identifying potential sources for research funding (i.e., individuals, foundations, corporations), and serve as "goodwill ambassadors" for the Institute. Membership is by invitation only.