

1 state or a scientist or engineer with extensive
2 experience managing applied scientific or
3 technological research, and

4 b. two members who are or who have served as executive
5 officers in industries of life sciences, biotech,
6 autonomous systems, aerospace, energy, information
7 technology, other emerging technologies or finance;

8 2. Two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
9 Senate who are or who have served as executive officers in
10 industries of life sciences, biotech, autonomous systems, aerospace
11 systems, aerospace, energy, information technology, other emerging
12 technologies or finance, one of whom resides within this state in a
13 current U.S. Census Bureau metropolitan statistical area containing
14 at least five hundred thousand (500,000) residents according to the
15 most recent Federal Decennial Census and one of whom resides within
16 this state and outside the metropolitan statistical areas described
17 in this paragraph;

18 3. Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
19 Representatives who are or who have served as executive officers in
20 industries of life sciences, biotech, autonomous systems, aerospace
21 systems, aerospace, energy, information technology, other emerging
22 technologies or finance, one of whom resides within this state in a
23 current U.S. Census Bureau metropolitan statistical area containing
24 at least five hundred thousand (500,000) residents according to the

1 most recent Federal Decennial Census and one of whom resides within
2 this state and outside the metropolitan statistical areas described
3 in this paragraph; and

4 4. The Secretary of Science and Innovation.

5 B. The Secretary of Science and Innovation, or a designee of
6 the Governor, shall serve as chair.

7 C. In making appointments to the Oklahoma Science and
8 Technology Research and Development Board, appropriate consideration
9 shall be given to representation upon the Board by race, gender and
10 geographical area.

11 D. With the exception of the Secretary of Science and
12 Innovation, all members shall serve a four-year term at the pleasure
13 of their appointing authority.

14 E. The Board shall meet at least once each calendar quarter and
15 at such other times:

16 1. Upon call of the chair;

17 2. Upon call of the chief executive officer of the OSTRaD or
18 the Institute; or

19 3. Upon written request of a majority of the board members.

20 F. Five voting members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

21 A quorum of the Board shall be necessary to transact business. All
22 actions of the board members shall be made by a majority of the
23 quorum present.

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1 G. The members of the Board shall not be subject to the dual-
2 office-holding prohibitions set forth in Section 6 of Title 51 of
3 the Oklahoma Statutes.

4 H. Beginning June 30, 2026, two members appointed by the
5 Governor, one member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
6 Senate, and one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
7 Representatives, shall serve a two-year term. Each appointing
8 authority shall determine which of their appointees shall serve the
9 two-year term. At the expiration of the two-year term, those board
10 positions shall resume serving four-year terms.

11 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
12 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
13 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
14 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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16 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT, dated
17 02/24/2026 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.
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