

Dougherty Named SWOSU Dean of Students & Director of Student Activities

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Cindy Dougherty of Wildwood, Mo., will start her position as dean of students and director of student activities on July 1 at SWOSU.

A former president of the National Benevolent Association has been named dean of students and director of student activities at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

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Dougherty is also a former vice president at Chapman University in Orange, California, where she served in that capacity from 1992-96. She oversaw total operations and budgeting for the offices of dean of students, dean of enrollment services, registrar, campus safety, student employment, admissions, housing, food services, student activities, Greek organizations, chaplain, counseling, wellness center, career placement and peer health counseling. She planned and implemented taking Chapman from college to university status.

She was dean of admissions and financial aid from 1988-1991 and vice provost in 1991-92.

She left Chapman University to become president of the National Benevolent Association, a health and social service church related non-profit organization. She oversaw total operations and strategic planning for 2,500 employees and 112 facilities in 22 states. The NBA annually raises \$11 to \$17 million nationwide.

During the last nine years, Dougherty has been a visiting executive and visiting professor

at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth.

Dougherty grew up in Enid and earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Phillips University in 1976. She completed a master's degree in library studies from the University of Oklahoma in 1985. She taught journalism at Enid High School from 1978-85 and then worked from 1985-88 at Phillips University as dean of admissions and financial aid.

She and her husband, Chuck, have one son and one daughter—Tyler and Casey. Chuck attended SWOSU in the 1970s, and Chuck and Cindy were engaged on the SWOSU campus 31 years ago.