MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING THE BOARD REGIONAL UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF OKLAHOMA BOARD OF REGENTS SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

A special meeting of the Board of Regents governing East Central University, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Northeastern State University, Northwestern Oklahoma State University and the University of Central Oklahoma was called to order at Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Alva, Oklahoma, Ranger Room, at 1:00 p.m., on September 4, 2025.

The following Regents were present for all or parts of the meeting: Jane McDermott, Chair of the Board, presiding; Regents Susan Winchester, Amy Anne Ford, Lake Carpenter, Connie Reilly, and Thomas Kupiec. Chuck Perry and Ryan Walters were absent.

Notice of the time, date and place of this meeting was submitted to the Secretary of State, and the agenda was posted on the RUSO website and on the door of the meeting room on or before 1:00 p.m. on September 3rd, 2025, both as required by 25 O.S., Sections 301-314

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FILING MEETING NOTICE AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT

Official action can only be taken on items which appear on the agenda. The RUSO Board of Regents may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, amend, strike, or continue any agenda item. When more information is needed to act on an item, the Regents may refer the matter to the Chief Executive Officer or Legal Counsel. The Regents may also refer items to staff or committees for additional study. Under certain circumstances, items are deferred to a specific later date or stricken from the agenda entirely.

II. CALL TO ORDER AND REGENTS' ROLL CALL

Regent McDermott called the meeting to order and announced that the meeting notice was filed and the agenda posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Joely Smith called roll for the meeting.

A. (Action) Discussion and possible action excusing absent Regents.

Regent Perry requested an absence from the meeting to attend the Oklahoma State school board conference.

III. Presentation by Regent Jane McDermott regarding the Chairman's Report.

Regent McDermott welcomed everyone to the first board meeting of the new fiscal year. She reported how special it is to her to have the RUSO system gathered in Alva.

She reported that as a new year of work together begins, she encouraged by the experience and dedication each president and regent bring to the table. She reported that this meeting is not only a chance to set our direction for the year ahead, but also an opportunity to strengthen the connections that make our board so effective. Regent McDermott thanked everyone for the time they give, and for the impact they make.

IV. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding the Consent Docket consisting of previous minutes and academic program modifications.

The consent docket was reviewed. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion was approved unanimously.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting, June 19, 2025.

B. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. Southwestern Oklahoma State University

**Program Modifications:**

- Anatomy & Physiology Certificate

**Minors:**

- Real Estate Practice
- Cybersecurity
- Data Analytics – Computer Science Majors
- Data Analytics – Non-Computer Science Majors
- Artificial Intelligence

2. Northeastern State University

**New Degree Program Curriculum Proposals:**

- Community-Based Leadership, EdD. (CIP 130401)

**Degree Program Suspension**

- International Business Management, BBA (126)

V. REPORT OF RUSO COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

Regent McDermott asked Regent Ford to present the Facilities report.

A. FACILITIES STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – Regent Amy Anne Ford

Regent Ford went through each facilities request individually, detailing each project description, requested funding approval, budget breakdown, and revenue source.

1. Northeastern State University

   a. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding facilities approvals for Northeastern State University.

      **Project #485-0073 - Science Building Specialty Equipment**
      Project Description: Request permission to design, bid and award to the lowest responsive bidders the repair and replacement of the compressed air and vacuum system in the Science Lab building located on the Tahlequah campus
      Requested Funding Approval: $200,000
      Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
      Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund

      **Project #485-0073 - UC Underground Dining Hall Renovation**
      Project Description: Requesting permission to design, bid, and award to the most responsive bidders the renovation of the UC Underground dining area.
      Requested Funding Approval: $500,000
      Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
      Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund and Sodexo Investment

      **Project #485-0073 - Stadium Fire Emergency Repairs**
      Project Description: Requesting ratification of emergency repairs to the NSU Doc Wadley stadium due to a building fire in the laundry facility.
      Requested Funding Approval: $500,000
      Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
      Revenue Source(s): 295 Fund and 751 Fund

      **Project #48S-0073 - NSU Softball Facility Improvements**
      Project Description: Requesting permission to design, bid and award to the lowest responsive bidder renovations to the NSU softball complex and associated equipment.
      Requested Funding Approval: $300,000
      Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
      Revenue Source(s): Donation

Motion to allow NSU to design, bid and award to the lowest responsive bidders the repair and replacement of the compressed air and vacuum system in the Science Lab building located on the Tahlequah campus in an amount that does not exceed $200,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Kupiec Thomas.

Motion to allow NSU to design, bid, and award to the most responsive bidders the renovation of the UC Underground dining area in an amount that does not exceed $500,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Kupiec Thomas.

Motion to ratify emergency approval for repairs to the NSU Doc Wadley stadium due to a building fire in the laundry facility in an amount that does not exceed $500,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Connie Reilly.

Motion to allow NSU to design, bid and award to the lowest responsive bidder renovations to the NSU softball complex and associated equipment in an amount that does not exceed $300,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Lake Carpenter.

b. Informational Items:

**Project #48S-0073 - NSU Playhouse Lighting**
Project Description: Requesting permission to design bid and award the repair and replacement of stage lighting and associated components.
Requested Funding Approval: $50,000
Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Revenue Source(s): 600 Fund

**Project #48S-0067 - NSU Cobb Hall Fire Suppression Upgrades**
Project Description: Requesting permission to design bid and award the modification of the Cobb Hall fire suppression system. This modification will change the 4th floor suppression lines from water to a mixed antifreeze system that will help prevent future pipe breaks during extreme cold weather. Requested Funding Approval: $50,000
Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund

2. Northwestern Oklahoma State University
   a. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding facilities approvals for Northwestern Oklahoma State University.

**Project #505-0005 Major Repairs & Renovations**
Project Description: Northwestern requests permission to bid and award a contract for the renovation of the Shockley Hall restrooms.
Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed $250,000. Budget Breakdown: All costs associated with the demolition and renovation to the restrooms in Shockley Hall. This project will renovate three restrooms, all of which are original to the building built in 1939. These upgrades will help to bring the restrooms up to ADA Compliance.
Congruent with Facilities Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes
Revenue Source: Fund 295, Section 13 (Deferred Maintenance One-Time Funding Revenue), Fund 600 School Land

Easley Associates Architects, Enid, Oklahoma, will continue as the architectural firm to oversee the bidding and contract fulfillment of this project. Architect fees are included within project requests.

Motion to allow NWOSU to bid and award a contract for the renovation of the Shockley Hall restrooms in an amoun that does not exceed $250,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Susan Winchester.

3. Southeastern Oklahoma State University

   a. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding facilities approvals for Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

      **Project Name: Bloomer Sullivan Arena High Roof**
      Project Description: Remove the existing 30,000 square feet roofing membrane and install a new Thermoplastic Polyolefin (TPO) system.
      Project Number(s): 660-0801
      Amount: $250,000 Estimated
      Source of Funds: State Regent Deferred Maintenance
      Vendor: To Be Determined

      Motion to allow SE to remove the existing 30,000 square feet roofing membrane and install a new Thermoplastic Polyolefin (TPO) system.

      Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

   b. (Action) Ratification of Emergency Board Approval

      SE is requesting ratification of the emergency board approval for the two projects below provided by Regent Jane McDermott on Friday, August 15, 2025:

      **Project Name: Aviation Sciences Institute Renovations**
      Project Description: Request approval to award the renovation of Aviation Sciences Institute at Eaker Field to Mid-Plains Construction. In addition, request approval to include the three alternates which were part of the original construction documents.
      The renovation includes modernizing office and classroom spaces, improvements to the hangar space to allow for maintenance and training, and the creation of makerspace located within the hanger. The renovation will result in a twin, single-story modern building which will offer collaborative work and training spaces conducive to innovative, aerospace-related economic activities.
      This project also includes three alternates that were part of the original construction design. These alternates are in the hangar

area and include 1) updated LED lighting, 2) high velocity low speed fans, and 3) pusher motors for the large hangar doors.
Project Number(s): 660-0335
Original Amount: $1,831,580, *originally $1,600,000*
Source of Funds: Economic Development Authority Grant, Master Lease Funds, Capital Funds, Auxiliary, & Donated Funds
Vendor: Mid-Plains Construction

**Project Name: Science Building Renovations & Improvements, Phases 2 & 3**
Project Description: Request approval to proceed with phases 2 & 3 previously bid as alternates to Science Building Renovations & Improvements. Phase 1 was approved at the February 2023 board meeting.
Phases 2 & 3 include updated labs, improvements to classroom spaces, new chemical storage areas, new elevator, new lab hoods in several areas including a relocated organics laboratory and other updates through academic and administrative spaces.
Project Number(s): 660-0340 & 660-0800
Amount: $4,700,000
Source of Funds: 2024 Master Lease Deferred Maintenance & Capital Funds
Vendor: Plyler Construction

Motion to ratify emergency approval provided by Regent Jane McDermott on Friday, August 15, 2025 for SE to award the renovation of Aviation Sciences Institute at Eaker Field to Mid-Plains Construction. In addition, approval to include the three alternates which were part of the original construction documents.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Connie Reilly.

Motion to ratify emergency approval provided by Regent Jane McDermott on Friday, August 15, 2025 for SE to proceed with phases 2 & 3 previously bid as alternates to Science Building Renovations & Improvements. Phase 1 was approved at the February 2023 board meeting.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

4. Southwestern Oklahoma State University
    a. (Action) Ratification of Emergency Board Approval

    **SWOSU asks for ratification of emergency approval granted by Regent Ford and Regent McDermott on June 30, 2025.**

    **Project #665-0067 – Jerry & Margaret Hodge Pharmacy & Rural Health Facility**
    Southwestern Oklahoma State University respectfully requests permission to bid and award a contract for the cabling and wiring necessary to support internet, phone, and networking infrastructure for the new facility.
    **Funding Not to Exceed:** $500,000
    **Vendor Awarded:** RF-IP Inc.
    **Actual Cost after Bid:** $399,500
    **Revenue Source:** 600 Section 13 Funds
    This infrastructure is essential to ensure the facility is fully functional upon opening and meets modern communication and instructional standards.

    **SWOSU asks ratification of emergency approval granted by Regent Ford, Regent McDermott, Regent Winchester on July 30, 2025.**

    **Purchase Request Project #665-0067 – Jerry & Margaret Hodge Pharmacy & Rural Health Facility**
    Southwestern Oklahoma State University respectfully requests permission to bid and award a contract for furniture for the Jerry & Margaret Hodge Rural Health Facility.
    **Funding Not to Exceed:** $1,100,000
    **Vendor Awarded:** Krueger International Inc.
    **Actual Cost after Bid:** $744,203
    **Revenue Source:** 600 Section 13 Funds

    Motion to ratify the emergency approval granted by Regent Ford and Regent McDermott on June 30, 2025 for SWOSU to bid and award a contract for the cabling and wiring necessary to support internet, phone, and networking infrastructure for the new facility in an amount that does not exceed $500,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

Motion to ratify emergency approval granted by Regent Ford, Regent McDermott, Regent Winchester on July 30, 2025 for SWOSU to bid and award a contract for furniture for the Jerry & Margaret Hodge Rural Health Facility in an amount that does not exceed $1,100,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

5. University of Central Oklahoma

   a. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding facilities approvals for the University of Central Oklahoma.

      **Project # 120-0060 Health & Safety Projects**
      Project Description: Request to award a contract to Trinity Builds for the purpose of repairing 20 exterior staircases at the Commons 1000, 2000, and 3000 Apartments. Project to include concrete stair tread replacement, repair of concrete staircase landings, repair damage to steel support framework, repair damaged staircase railings and painting of repaired areas. Trinity Builds has an on-call construction manager contract. (renewed July 2025)
      Requested Funding Approval: $1,000,000
      Budget Breakdown: $990,000 for construction, $10,000 for testing/inspections
      Vendors: Construction-Trinity Builds, Testing Services-TBD
      Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes
      Fund Source(s): OSHRE Deferred Maintenance Funds

      **Project # 120-0027 Major Repair and Deferred Maintenance**
      Project Description: Request approval to award Johnson Controls International (JCI) a contract not to exceed $300,000 for the replacement of (17) rooftop units, 1 split system unit, and updated controls at Evans Hall. The existing equipment is over

20 years old and at the end of expected life. UCO has a maintenance and service contract with JCI. (renewed July 2025)
Requested Funding Approval: $300,000
Budget Breakdown: $300,000 for equipment and installation
Vendors: Johnson Controls International (JCI)
Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes
Fund Source(s): Remaining balance of FY25 OSHRE Deferred Maintenance Funds & Section 13

**Project # 120-0027 Major Repair and Deferred Maintenance**
Project Description: Request approval to issue a Request for Proposal and award contract for the purpose of completing facility condition assessments. Project includes the assessment of approx. 2.2M sqft. within 44 campus buildings in two phases. Assessments will be used to document deferred maintenance and prioritize projects during strategic planning.
Requested Funding Approval: $450,000
Budget Breakdown: Phase 1- approx. $225,000, Phase 2 - approx. $225,000
Vendors: TBD
Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes
Fund Source(s): Student Facility Fee & Auxiliary Funds

Motion to allow UCO to award a contract to Trinity Builds for the purpose of repairing 20 exterior staircases at the Commons 1000, 2000, and 3000 Apartments. Project to include concrete stair tread replacement, repair of concrete staircase landings, repair damage to steel support framework, repair damaged staircase railings and painting of repaired areas in an amount that does not exceed $1,000,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

Motion to allow UCO to award Johnson Controls International (JCI) a contract not to exceed $300,000 for the replacement of (17) rooftop units, 1 split system unit, and updated controls at Evans Hall.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

Motion to allow UCO to issue a Request for Proposal and award contract for the purpose of completing facility condition assessments in an amount that does not exceed $450,000.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

b. Informational Items:

**Project # 120-0027 Major Repairs and Deferred Maintenance**
Project Description: Awarded on-call contract to Leiber Mechanical in the amount of $77,889 for the purpose of plumbing repairs in six common area bathrooms at West Hall. Work included leak repairs and the repair and replacement of fixtures and plumbing components.
Fund Source: Auxiliary

**Project # 120-1091 Parking Improvements**
Project Description: Issued change orders totaling $61,156 to Ellsworth Construction for repairs to Lot 6, 17 & 18. The project was competitively bid, with an original contract price of $1,235,865. The additional work was requested by the university to improve drainage issues and replace a concrete bridge. Project was originally approved in November of 2024.
Fund Source: OSHRE Deferred Maintenance Funds

**Project # 120-0033 Existing Building Renovations & Additions**
Project Description: Awarded on-call consultant contracts to Beck Design totaling $45,605 for completion of feasibility studies at Evans Hall and Mitchell Hall Theater. The Evans Hall study is for reconfiguration of Foundation offices and workspaces. The Mitchell Hall Theater study is for evaluation of theatrical equipment including lighting, rigging, and sound systems.
Fund Source: Section 13

**Project # 120-0057 Forensic Science Institute Addition**
Project Description: Awarded on-call consultant contract to FSB in the amount of $38,990 for completion of a feasibility study for

a Forensic Science Institute addition. Goal is to complete the study and bring full project to RUSO in November of 2025.
Fund Source: Direct Appropriation

c. (Action) Ratification of Emergency Board Approval

**Nigh University Center Ballroom and Heritage Room Project**
(Approved June 20, 2024 and November 8, 2024)

UCO requests ratification of emergency approval granted by Board Chair McDermott and Facilities Stewardship Committee Chair Ford on August 11, 2025 to increase the total project budget in the amount of $500,000 to a revised total of $2,300,000 to expand the scope of the project to include: acoustic panels, doors, lighting, paint, and room dividers.

Motion to ratify emergency approval granted by Board Chair McDermott and Facilities Stewardship Committee Chair Ford on August 11, 2025 to increase the total project (**Nigh University Center Ballroom and Heritage Room Project)** budget in the amount of $500,000 to a revised total of $2,300,000 to expand the scope of the project to include: acoustic panels, doors, lighting, paint, and room dividers.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

B. AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE- Regent Susan Winchester

Regent McDermott requested that Regent Winchester provide an update on the Audit and Finance Committee meeting.
Regent Winchester reported that the committee meet on Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025, and herself and Regent Kupiec attended the virtual meeting. The committee discussed the audit and finance requests from ECU, SWOSU, and UCO.

1. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding the audit and finance approvals for East Central University.

    a. Purchases for Approval

**Southwest Contract, Inc.**

- For Stadium Apartments (Rows K-O) residential student housing furniture
- E&I Contract
    - *Source: AUX* - $227,910.00

**Johnson Controls, Inc.**

- For 2 replacement chillers in the Horace Mann Building
    - *Source: Section 13 Offset (295 Fund)* - $454,331.69

Motion to allow East Cental to purchase residential student housing furniture at a cost that not to exceed $227,910.00.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

Motion to allow East Cental to purchase 2 replacement chillers in the Horace Mann Building at a cost that not to exceed $454,331.69.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Connie Reilly.

2. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding the audit and finance approvals for Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

    a. Purchases for Approval

    **Southwestern Oklahoma State University respectfully requests permission to bid and award a contract for technology to be placed in high schools.**
    This USDA-funded initiative is designed to address barriers faced by high school students in western Oklahoma who aspire to pursue postsecondary education. Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU), in collaboration with ten regional high schools, seeks to expand access to concurrent enrollment opportunities by equipping partner schools with advanced educational technology.
    Source: Grant Funded USDA Not to exceed $1,000,000

**Southwestern Oklahoma State University respectfully requests permission to bid and award a contract for mannequins to be used in Clinical Nursing labs.**
Source: Grant Funded Workforce Commission- $200,000

Motion to allow SWOSU to bid and award a contract for technology to be placed in high schools at a cost that not to exceed $1,000,000.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Connie Reilly.

Motion to allow SWOSU to spend $200,000 to bid and award a contract for mannequins to be used in Clinical Nursing labs.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

b. Ratification of emergency approval granted by Regent Ford and Regent McDermott on June 30, 2025

**Vendor:** Anatomage Inc.
**Item:** Four Anatomage Virtual Dissection Tables
SWOSU plans to purchase four Anatomage Tables for use in the Pharmacy, Allied Health, and Nursing programs. These state-of-the-art virtual dissection tables provide a high-fidelity, cadaver-free learning experience and support our commitment to innovative, hands-on health sciences education.
**Revenue Sources:**

- 3 Tables funded by Workforce Commission Grant (430 Account): $205,050

1 Table funded by 290 E&G Funds: $61,560

- **Total Purchase Amount:** $266,610

Motion to ratify the emergency approval granted by Regent Ford and Regent McDermott on June 30, 2025 for SWOSU's purchase of four Anatomage Tables.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Connie Reilly.

c. Ratification of the emergency approval granted by Regent Ford, Regent McDermott, and Regent Winchester on July 30, 2025.

**Vendor:** Instructure
**Item:** Canvas Online Subscription
**Canvas Learning Management System (LMS)** is a web-based educational platform designed to help institutions, educators, and students manage and deliver learning online. It is widely used by schools, colleges, and universities for both in-person and remote instruction.
**Funding Not to Exceed:** $252,000
**Revenue Source:** 290 E&G Funds

Motion to ratify the emergency approval granted by Regent Ford, Regent McDermott, and Regent Winchester on July 30, 2025 for SWOSU's purchase of Canvas Online Subscription for the amount of $252,000.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Amy Anne Ford.

3. (Action) Discussion and possible action regarding the audit and finance approvals for the University of Central Oklahoma.

a. Purchases for Approval

**Griffin Media, digital advertising campaign for the academic year.**
Source: E&G
$465,750

**Ex Libris USA Inc., library management system annual subscription.**
Source: E&G
$163,528

**Desire2Learn (D2L Learning Management), learning management annual software licensing and support. Year three of six-year agreement.**
Source: E&G
$417,777

Motion to allow UCO to purchase Griffin Media, digital advertising campaign for the academic year in the amount of $465,750.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Amy Anne Ford.

Motion to allow UCO to purchase Ex Libris USA Inc., library management system annual subscription in the amount of $163,528.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

Motion to allow UCO to purchase Desire2Learn (D2L Learning Management), learning management annual software licensing and support. Year three of six-year agreement in the amount of $417,777.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Amy Anne Ford.

C. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE- Regent Connie Reilly

Regent McDermott asked Regent Reilly to present the Personnel report. Regent Reilly reported that the personnel committee's discussion was about potentially moving to yearly evaluations for the presidents.

VI. Presentation and possible discussion with RUSO Regents regarding the annual report for OKHEEI (Oklahoma Higher Education Employees Interlocal).

Debra Lyon presented updates, plans, options, features, and financials on OKHEEI.

VII. Presentation regarding the annual report of UCO Benefits.

Diane Feinburg presented on the plans, options, features, and financials of UCO's health plan.

VIII. Presentation by Chair, David Pecha and possible discussion with RUSO Regents regarding the annual report of the Pension Committee.

David Pecha, Chair of the pension committee reported that the pension committee met September 4th at 9:00 a.m. He gave a report on the committee meeting.

IX. Presentation by Todd holder regarding new Arena and partnerships with NWOSU.

Todd Holder presented on the history of Alva and gave updates on the new arena being built.

X. Presentation by President Bo Hannaford regarding the President’s Council Report and possible discussion with RUSO Regents

President Hannaford reported that the following items were discussed at the President's Council meeting:

- Enrollment reports
- Meeting requirements regarding situation with undocumented students
- Interim studies
- Opportunity for grant funding for RUSO
- New board meeting format

XI. (Action) Presentation and possible action regarding the RUSO University Presidents recommendations presented by leadership at each institution.

A. Northwestern Oklahoma State University President's Recommendations

1. Personnel
2. Grants and Contracts ($492,352.00)
3. Purchases (none at this time)
4. Informational Items:

   Northwestern Oklahoma State University reports the change of title for the following:

   **Mr. Brad Franz** to Vice President for Athletics. Mr. Franz has served as Athletic Director since August 1, 2016, and he previously served as Men’s Basketball Head Coach, Dean and Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, and faculty member of the Health and Physical Education department.

   **Mr. Calleb Mosburg** to Vice President of Student Services and Enrollment Management. Mr. Mosburg has served as the Dean of Student Services and Enrollment Management since July 1, 2013, and he previously served as Director of Financial Aid, Assistant Director of Recruitment, Retention Coordinator, and Admissions Counselor/Recruiter.

Motion to approve NWOSU's president's recommendations.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas nKupiec.

B. Northwestern Oklahoma State University President's Report

President Hannaford reported on campus updates.

C. East Central University President's Recommendations

1. Personnel
2. Grants and Contracts (none at this time)
3. Purchases

a. Informational Items:

**Wallace Design Collective PC**

- For professional services roofing consulting
  - *Source:*
    *AUX* $71,118.
    66

**SHI International**

- For replacement computers for the Stonecipher School of Business (Chickasaw Business & Conference Center 355), Library Reference, and other replacements
  - *Source:*
    *AUX* $126,56
    9.25

**Lowe's Home Centers**

- For appliance renovation of Stadium Apartments (Rows K-O)
- E&I Contract
  - *Source:*
    *AUX* $102,65
    6.00

**Moon-Baker Agency**

- For intercollegiate sports accident insurance

- *Source:*
  *AUX* $60,756.
  00

**Convergint Technologies, LLC**

- For repairs, maintenance, and Genetec Advantage Renewal
- Statewide Contract SW1048C
  - *Source:*
    *AUX* $83,682.
    64

**Cooks Direct, Inc.**

- For cafeteria convection gas steamer
- E&I Contract
  - *Source:*
    *AUX* $57,212.
    00

**Buxton Electric, LLC**

- For conduit and conductors installation
  - *Source:*
    *AUX* $50,029.
    00

**Johnson Controls, Inc.**

- For temporary turnkey 200-ton chiller rental for Horace Mann Building
- Sourcewell Contract
  - *Source:*
    *E&G* $72,900
    .00

**Technolutions, Inc.**

- For Slate admissions software license
  - *Source:*
    *E&G* $50,000
    .00

**John A Marshall Company**

- For office furniture in multiple areas in Administration Building and Danley Hall

- OU Furniture Contract
  - *Source: New College (650 Fund)* $55,542.03

**Lambert Mechanical**

- HVAC replacement in Memorial Student Union Bookstore
  - *Source: Section 13 Offset (295 Fund)* $148,650.00

4. Ratification of Emergency Approval

   ECU recommends ratification of its 2025-2030 Strategic Plan, ECU Forward Together.

   ECU's 2025–2030 Strategic Plan was submitted by the university as a request for ratification; however, since the plan had not been emergency approved, the Board considered and approved it as a request for approval.

   Motion to approve ECU's president's recommendations.

   Motion moved by Connie Reilly and motion seconded by Amy Anne Ford.

D. East Central University President's Report

   President Godwin reported on campus updates.

E. Northeastern State University President's Recommendations

   1. Personnel
   2. Grants and Contracts ($978,122.00)
   3. Purchases
      a. Informational:

         **Optometry Active Member Dues**
         $58,000
   4. Nepotism Exception Request

      NSU requests a waiver of RUSO policy 5.12.2 for Dr. Brent Swearingen and Dr. Carla Swearingen. Dr. Brent Swearingen was recently selected as Executive Director of Libraries. Currently, Dr. Carla Swearingen is the Provost/ Vice President of Academic Affairs. NSU will follow RUSO policy in ensuring that performance evaluations and recommendations for compensation, and promotion and tenure for Dr. Brent Swearingen will be made by the Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, Dr. Jerrid Freeman.

Motion to approve NSU's president's recommendations.

Motion moved by Thomas Kupiec and motion seconded by Amy Anne Ford.

F. Northeastern State University President's Report

President Hanley reported on campus updates.

G. Southeastern Oklahoma State University President's Recommendations

1. Personnel
2. Grants and Contracts ($3,256,684.00)
3. Purchases
    a. Informational:

    **Montgomery Auditorium Equipment**
    Vendor: Ford Audio-Video Systems LLC
    Funding Source: Donated Funds
    Amount: $106,927.33

    **Chemistry Equipment for Hallie McKinney**
    Vendor: VWR Funding Inc.
    Funding Source: 2021 Master Lease
    Amount: $80,305.55

    **Athletics Insurance**
    Vendor: RSC Insurance Brokerage Inc.
    Funding Source: Auxiliary Athletic Funds
    Amount: $62,371.00

Motion to approve SE's president's recommendations.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Lake Carpenter.

H. Southeastern Oklahoma State University President's Report

President Whitlock reported on campus updates.

I. Southwestern Oklahoma State University President's Recommendations

1. Personnel
2. Grants and Contracts ($25,000.00)
3. Purchases

a. Informational Items:

CBTS LLC, Wi-Fi Access Points in educational spaces
- Source E&G
- $57,211

Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP, Fire Suppression System.
- Source E&G
- $51,130

Jostens Inc, Graduation Regalia
- Source Auxillary Funds
- $50,000

MV Sport, Clothing purchases for resale
- Source Auxillary Funds
- $55,000

Nurnberg Roofing LLC, Patch roofs
- Source E&G
- $56,240

Risk Strategies, Athletic secondary insurance for athletic related injuries
- Source E&G
- $120,000

Upswing International Inc, 24/7 online tutoring platform for students

- Source E&G
- $61,880

Motion to approve SWOSU's president's recommendations.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Thomas Kupiec.

J. Southwestern Oklahoma State University President's Report

President Lovell reported on campus updates.

K. University of Central Oklahoma President's Recommendations

1. Personnel
2. Grants and Contracts ($2,224,193.00)
3. Purchases

a. Informational Items:

**All Media Integration, digital signage and commercial display updates.**
Source: Auxiliary
$74,486

**Transact Topco LLC., installation of electronic access control.**
Source: Auxiliary
$90,224

**Scenario Learning LLC., safety and compliance training software. 3-year contract.**
Source: E&G
$60,000

**Carahsoft Technology Corp., Google cloud platform (GCP) solution 12-month subscription.**
Source: Technology Fee
$149,001

**AVI-SPL LLC., equipment and technology classroom and lab updates.**
Source: Technology Fee and E&G
$59,843

**All Media Integration, equipment upgrades to speech and hearing clinic.**
Source: E&G
$123,543

**GComm Holdings LLC., UCO digital billboard advertising campaign.**
Source: E&G
$89,400

**Bloomberg LP., Bloomberg media subscription for College of Business.**
Source: E&G
$84,960

**Forvis Mazars LLP., accounting audit services.**
Source: E&G
$84,554

**ABM Industries Inc. janitorial services at ACM building.**
Source: E&G
$70,412

**Chickasaw Telecom Inc., storage capacity enhancement.**
Source: Technology Fee
$65,956

**Johnson Controls US Holdings LLC., fire & safety services for FY25.**
Source: E&G
$50,985

**Mity-Lite, grand ballroom banquet chairs.**
Source: Auxiliary
$132,600

Motion to approve UCO's president's recommendations.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Susan Winchester.

L. University of Central Oklahoma President's Report

President Lamb reported on campus updates.

XII. (Action) Presentation by Debra Lyon and possible discussion with RUSO Regents regarding RUSO Policy Manual updates.

Debra Lyon reported that after the June RUSO Board Meeting, some tweaks were made to 4 policies and the title IX policy. Those changed were emergency approved by Regent McDermott on August 7, 2025.

A. Ratification of Emergency Approval

Updates to policy manual

Motion to ratify emergency approval granted by Regent McDermott on August 7, 2025 of the updates to the RUSO policy manual.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Connie Reilly.

XIII. Regent's Comments and Announcements

XIV. Discussion and possible action regarding New Business (not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of the agenda).

XV. (Action) Vote to enter into executive session pursuant to 25 O.S. 307(B)(4) for the purpose of discussion and possible action on the following issues:

Motion to enter into executive session.

Motion moved by Susan Winchester and motion seconded by Connie Reilly.

A. Tatum Robertson, Eve Brennan, and Marin Rhodes v. University of Central Oklahoma ("UCO") and Board of Regents for the Regional University System of Oklahoma ("RUSO"), Western District of Oklahoma, Case # CIV-2022-836-HE

B. Dr. Rachel Tudor v. Marie Galindo et al. and Ezra Young and Brittany Stewart v. Dr. Rachel Tudor, Southeastern Oklahoma State University ("SE"), and Regional University System of Oklahoma ("RUSO"), Western District of Oklahoma Case #CIV-2022-480-C

C. Dr. Ian Gerg v. Southeastern Oklahoma State University ("SE")

D. Terry Worcester v. East Central University ("ECU"), District Court of Pontotoc County Case #CJ-2019-37

E. Alan Scott Asher and Nancy Asher v. Northeastern State University-Broken Arrow ("NSU"), and The Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges-Regional University System of Oklahoma ("RUSO"), District Court of Wagoner County Case #CJ-2022-309

F. Harold Blish v. East Central University ("ECU") Tort Claim # 2520034157

G. Shekhar Rathor v. University of Central Oklahoma ("UCO") EEOC Charge #564-2022-02211

H. OCR Docket No. 07-23-2169 - Website accessibility complaint against East Central University

I. US Department of Education Complaint by Margo McKenzie against Northeastern State University for alleged FERPA violations

J. Hannah Caperton v. Northeastern State University ("NSU") OCR Complaint #07222072

K. MidFirst Bank v. James L. Lindsay II, Northwestern Oklahoma State University ("NWOSU") et al., District Court of Oklahoma County Case #CJ-2022-6342

L. Northwestern Oklahoma State University Internal Revenue Service Audit

M. Oklahoma Insurance Department Consumer Complaint against VOYA

N. Remain in executive session pursuant to 25 O.S. §307(B)(1)

For the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of the presidents of East Central University, Northeastern State University, Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, and the University of Central Oklahoma.

O. Remain in executive session pursuant to 25 O.S. §307(B)(1) for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of the CEO of RUSO.

P. Remain in executive session pursuant to 25 O.S. §307(B)(1) for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of the President of Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

XVI. (Action) Vote to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session.

Motion to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Susan Winchester.

A. Discussion and possible action to implement matters discussed in Executive Session.

Consideration and possible action to employ a candidate for President of Southeastern Oklahoma State University and RUSO CEO or invite other candidates for interviews or other appropriate action.

Motion to proceed as discussed in executive session.

Motion moved by Amy Anne Ford and motion seconded by Susan Winchester.

XVII. (Action) Vote to Adjourn the Board Meeting

The meeting was adjourned by acclimation.