

**REGIONAL UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
OF  
OKLAHOMA**



**MINUTES**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**February 24, 2023**

**9:00 am**

**University of Central Oklahoma  
Nigh University Center  
Edmond, Oklahoma**

**AGENDA**  
February 24, 2023  
9:00 a.m.  
University of Central Oklahoma  
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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 Executive Director 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.

- I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FILING MEETING NOTICE AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT**
  
- II. CALL TO ORDER AND REGENTS' ROLL CALL**

Chair Reilly called the meeting to order. Roll call established the presence of a quorum with 7 Regents present.

Susan Winchester, Position 1  
Chris Van Denhende, Position 2  
Jane McDermott, Position 3  
Gary Parker, Position 4  
Connie Reilly, Chair, Position 5  
Amy Anne Ford, Secretary, Position 7  
Eric Fisher, Position 8

**A. EXCUSE ABSENT REGENTS**

**Regent Van Denhende made the motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to excuse Regents Carpenter and Walters from the meeting.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Ford, and Fisher**

**Voting against the motion: none**

## **B. GUESTS**

### **UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS**

Bo Hannaford, President, Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Alva, Oklahoma  
Wendell Godwin, President, East Central University, Ada, Oklahoma  
Diana Lovell, President, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Weatherford, Oklahoma  
Andrew Benton, President, University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, Oklahoma  
Thomas Newsom, President, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Durant, Oklahoma  
Steve Turner, President, Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, Oklahoma

### **REGIONAL UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF OKLAHOMA ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

Debra Lyon, General Counsel  
Sheridan McCaffree, Executive Director  
Angela Michael, Assistant General Counsel  
Joely Smith, Executive Assistant  
Hayley Thompson, Government Relations Officer

### **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Brenda Burgess, Vice President for Administration and Finance, SWOSU  
Art Cotton, Vice President for Advancement, UCO  
Kevin Freeman, Vice President for Finance and Operations, UCO  
Chancellor Allison Garrett, OSRHE  
Dr. Jeff Gibson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, ECU  
Dr. Teresa Golden, Vice President of Academic Affairs, SE  
Dr. Jarrett Jobe, Vice Chancellor for Government Relations, OSRHE  
Dr. Joel Kendall, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, SWOSU  
Christy Landsaw, Vice President for Administration and Finance, NSU  
Christopher Lynch, Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success, UCO  
Sheri Mauck, Finance and Treasury Administrator, OSRHE,  
David Pecha, Executive Vice President, NWOSU  
Dr. Robert Placido, Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, OSRHE  
Dr. Charlotte Simmons, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, UCO,  
Mark Tygret, Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance, OSRHE  
Dennis Westman, Vice President for Business Affairs/CFO, SE

### III. CHAIR'S REPORT—Regent Connie Reilly

Regent Reilly commented on the success of the RUSO Legislative reception on February 22, 2023 and thanked everyone who attended.

Regent Reilly welcomed Chancellor Allison Garrett and her team to the meeting.

### IV. CONSENT DOCKET

**Regent Fisher made the motion, seconded by Regent McDermott to approve all of the items on the Consent Docket:**

#### A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, January 27, 2023

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Ford, and Fisher**

**Voting against the motion: none**

#### B. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS– (Pages 23-30)

1. **East Central University** (Page 23)

##### a. Program / Certificate Modifications

1. Environmental Health Sciences (016)

##### b. Program Deletions

1. Addictions Counseling Graduate Certificate (099)
2. Sociology (041)

2. **Northeastern State University** (Pages 24-25)

##### a. Program / Certificate Modifications

1. Teacher Education Programs

**b. Program Deletions**

Environmental, Health and Safety Management, M.S. (096)

1. Human and Family Sciences, B.S. (045)

**c. New certificate**

1. Planning, Resilience, and Incident Management (GR certificate)

3. **Southeastern Oklahoma State University** (Page 26)

**a. Electronic Delivery**

1. Bachelor of Arts in Theatre (Arts Administration Option) (060)

4. **Southwestern Oklahoma State University** (Page 27)

**a. Program / Certificate Modifications**

1. Human Resource Management - NEW
2. BAED History Education —132
3. PharmD – Doctor of Pharmacy – 142

**V. REPORT OF RUSO COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS**

**A. FACILITIES STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE –Regent Amy Ford**  
(Pages 28-40)

**Report of the Facilities Stewardship Committee, Thursday, February 23, 2023, 4:00 p.m., University of Central Oklahoma, Nigh University Center, Mary Fallin Room 304, Edmond, Oklahoma.**

**1. Report on Campus Tour.**

Regent Ford reported on the state of the College of Fine Arts and Design storage building that is being considered for demolition.

Regent Ford reported on the tour of the future School of Design which is in the former St. Mary's church. Regent Ford reported that the building is 27,000 sq feet and the university is currently working on raising the \$5 million needed to fund this renovation project.

Regent Ford reported on the CO-OP facility, the approximately 6,000 sq foot space that houses UCO's E sports team, as well as events with partners such as the YMCA, Edmond Public Schools, and OSSAA.

Regent Ford reported on the CO-OP engineering makers space that is recently renovated and will house the UCO Engineering Department's workshop. This space is also home to a 3D printing lab.

Regent Ford reported on the Chad Richison Stadium expansion. The \$10 million donation from Mr. Richison funded the addition of 2,000 seats to the visitor side of the stadium. Regent Ford reported that over the summer, UCO was awarded the OSSAA contract to host the High School state championships at the stadium.

**Regent McDermott made the motion, seconded by Regent Van Denhende to approve each of the Facilities Stewardship requests as listed on the agenda:**

**2. Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Page 28)**

**Approval Items:**

**a Project #505-0046 Tuck Pointing of Campus Buildings**

Project Description: Northwestern requests permission to bid and award a contract to tuck point Herod Hall and the President's House. Herod Hall was built in 1924 and the President's House was built in 1914. Both structures have had minimal brick/mortar maintenance over the years. Easley Associate Architect will coordinate the bid process.

Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$200,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan? Yes

Revenue Source: School Land (Funds 600/650)

**3. University of Central Oklahoma (Pages 29-30)**

**Approval Items:**

**a Project # 120-0010 Howell Hall Renovation & Additions**

laboratories 106 & 110 in the Howell Hall Science Building. These labs serve the School of Engineering.

Requested Funding Approval: \$220,000

Budget Breakdown: \$180,000 for construction, \$20,000 design and engineering, \$20,000 audio/visual

Vendors: Lingo Construction (UCO on-call construction manager), MA+ Architects (UCO on-call architect)  
Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes  
Fund Source: College Facility Fees

**b. Project # 120-0013 Parking, Sidewalks, Lights & Landscape**

Project Description: Request approval to award contract in the amount of \$127,100 to Patco Electric for the purpose of replacing one hundred and thirty-six (136) exterior sidewalk light fixtures, with ten (10) spare fixtures also to be ordered.  
Requested Funding Approval: \$127,100  
Budget Breakdown: \$127,100 for construction  
Vendors: Patco Electric (UCO on-call electrician)  
Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes  
Fund Source: Section 13 Offset

**c. Facility Name Change**

Request permission to change the name of the Nigh University Center to the George and Donna Nigh University Center. It is the wish of Governor/President Nigh and the University to more explicitly acknowledge the many accomplishments and contributions of former First Lady Donna Nigh.

**Informational Item:**

**a. Project # 120-0013 Parking, Sidewalks, Lights & Landscape**

Project Description: Issued contract to UCO on-call electrician, Patco Electric, in the amount of \$28,500 for installation of five (5) exterior light poles and fixtures at the northeast corner of the Liberal Arts Building. Work includes trenching and conduit installation as currently there are no lights in this area.  
Fund Source: Facility Fees

**4. Northeastern State University (Pages 31-38)**

**Approval Items:**

**a. Right-of-Way Easement Request**

NSU requests permission to grant a Right-of-Way Easement to Rural Water District No. 3, Cherokee County on NSU owned property described as:

*the easterly 20 feet of the westerly 40 feet lying adjacent to and parallel with Bryant Avenue also being the West line of the South 19.81 acres of Lot 3, North of the present highway in Section 30, T17N, R22E, Cherokee County being a tract of land described in BK 186 PG 174 and the southerly 20 feet of the westerly 661 feet lying adjacent to and parallel to HWY 51 of the South 19.81 acres of Lot 3, North of the present highway in Section 30, T17N, R22E, Cherokee County being a tract of land described in BK 186 PG 174* for purposes of laying and maintaining water distribution lines as described in the Easement (see attached). Permission is also requested to grant President Turner authority to sign the Easement on behalf of the Board.

**b. Project #485-0073 - Ratification of Emergency Approval: UC Chilled Water System**

Project Description: Request ratification of emergency approval granted by Regents Reilly and Ford on February 3, 2023, to renovate and repair the existing mechanical room chilled water system and install/start chillers, chilled water pumps, and AC components for the University Center.

Requested Funding Approval: \$165,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund

**Informational Items:**

**a. Project #485-0073 - University Center General Maintenance and Repairs**

Project Description: General building repairs to University Center envelope and interior.

Requested Funding Approval: \$60,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund

**b. Project #485-0073 - Science Buildings Maintenance**

Project Description: General repair and renovation to Science buildings and facilities.

Requested Funding Approval: \$80,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund, Science Fee

**c. Project #485-0073 - Roger Webb Building Repair and Renovation**

Project Description: General repair and renovation to



Roger Webb building envelope and interior.  
Requested Funding Approval: \$50,000  
Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs  
Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund, Webb Facility Fee

**d. Project #485-0073 General Life Safety System Upgrades and Maintenance**

Project Description: Repair/replace campus life safety systems

Requested Funding Approval: \$90,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans:

Yes

Revenue Source(s): 295 Fund

**e. Project #485-0073 University Center Life Safety Systems Update**

Project Description: Repair/replace campus life safety systems

Requested Funding Approval: \$45,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans:

Yes

Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund

**f. Project #485-0074 General Elevator Repairs and Maintenance**

Project Description: Repairs/replacements of campus elevators and components

Requested Funding Approval: \$90,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans:

Yes

Revenue Source(s): 295 Fund

**g. Project #485-0063 General Housing Building Repairs**

Project Description: General repairs to all housing facilities campus wide.

Requested Funding Approval: \$50,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans:

Yes

Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund

5. **Southeastern Oklahoma State University** (Page 39)

**Approval Item:**

a. **Project # 660-0344 & 660-0800 - Biology Building Renovations & Improvements**

Project Description: Request approval to bid and award construction manager services for the renovation of the Biology Building. Areas to include updated labs, improvements to classroom spaces, and other updates through academic and administrative spaces.

Amount: \$3,000,000 estimated

Source of Funds: ARPA Funds

Vendor: To be determined

**Informational Item:**

a. Project Description: 40x60 Softball Batting Cage\_

Amount: \$49,777

Source of Funds: Donated funds

Vendor: Texoma Manufacturing

6. **East Central University** (Page 40)

**Ratification of Emergency Approval Item:**

a. **Briles Hall Bathrooms**

Project Description: Request ratification of emergency approval granted by Regents Reilly and Ford on January 30, 2023, to bid and award a contract to renovate the 55 restrooms in Briles Hall, which is approximately 60 years old, has five floors, and has been unoccupied since May 2022.

Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$1,200,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Revenue Source(s): 730 Auxiliary

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

**B. AUDIT & FINANCE COMMITTEE—Chair, Regent Gary Parker**  
(Pages 41-42)

**Regent Parker made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford to approve Southeastern Oklahoma State University’s Audit and Finance request as listed on the agenda:**

**1. SE Request to Amend Budget**

In accordance with Board policy 2.1.2, Budget Submission and Approval, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is requesting to amend the following FY 2023 budget as indicated below.

As part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, SE has been awarded over 6.5 million dollars for improvements and renovations to Science and Biology Buildings. This is the initial budget revision to begin expending the funds.

Budget: E&G Part II, Fund 497, Federal ARPA Funds, \$1,000,000 increase  
Source of Funds: American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Federal Stimulus Funding

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

**Regent Parker made the motion, seconded by Regent McDermott to approve Northeastern State University’s Audit and Finance request as listed on the agenda:**

**2. NSU Request to Amend Budget**

In accordance with board policy 2.1.2, Budget Submission and Approval, Northeastern State University is requesting the following FY2023 budget as indicated below.

Fund 497 to be budgeted for \$15,150,000 for the ARPA Funds (includes 2% Administrative Fee of \$303,000).

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

**C. SYSTEM ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE– Chair, Regent  
Chris Van Denhende**

**Report of the System Advancement Committee, Thursday, February 23, 2023, 1:00 p.m., University of Central Oklahoma, Nigh University Center, Mary Fallin Room 304, Edmond, Oklahoma.**

**1. Report on Higher Ed Day February 14, 2023**

Regent Van Denhende reported that students enjoy the civics lesson they get from their participation. Presidents report that the State Regents solicit their feedback for improvement, and they will provide their critique to them.

**2. Report on Legislative Reception February 22, 2023**

Regent Van Denhende reported that the Legislative Reception was well attended by legislative leadership, RUSO alums, students, and employees. It was a nice opportunity for us to get to know and communicate with our legislators.

**3. Legislative Update - Ratification of Emergency Approval to Support Proposed Bills**

Regent Van Denhende reported on the Ratification of Emergency Approval to support the following proposed bills: SB 86, SB 93, SB 167, SB 529. Regent Van Denhende reported that they were discussed extensively in committee, and emergency approved by Regent Reilly.

**Regent Van Denhende made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford to ratify the emergency approval to support SB 86, SB 93, SB 167, and SB 529:**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

**4. RUSO Financial Metrics Benchmarks Report—Kevin Freeman, Vice President of Finance and Operations. (page 70)**

Kevin Freeman presented the Financial Benchmarks report.

**5. Discussion of RUSO’s role in Oklahoma Workforce Development**

Regent Van Denhende reported that on average, over the last 5 years, RUSO provided the Oklahoma workforce the following:

- 60% of all teaching degrees,
- 50% of all nursing degrees,
- 47% of all criminal justice and corrections degrees,
- 34% of all business administration, management and operations degrees,
- 34% of all psychology degrees,
- 31% of all accounting degrees, and
- 25% of all social work degrees.

Regent Van Denhende reported that RUSO students stay in the state at a current rate of 86.3%. Regent Van Denhende reported that these numbers show that RUSO is playing a dominant role in providing the critical jobs needed to support the state’s infrastructure for its current and future workforce.

**6. Discussion of Costs of Attendance Differences and Practices at Oklahoma Universities**

Regent Van Denhende reported that regents are continuing to study and evaluate the actual cost of attendance differences at Oklahoma universities. The System Advancement Committee has concerns that these differences are not readily apparent to the average consumer and the differences are significant and important. The Committee will complete their evaluation and then plan to share the information with Chancellor Garret and her team.

**VI. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION**

**A. Chancellor Allison Garrett —State Regents Strategic Plan and 2023 Budget and Legislative Priorities (pages 71-94)**

Chancellor Garrett reported on the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education’s strategic plan that focuses on producing workforce-ready graduates, growing the student pipeline, focusing on student success, and improving system efficiency and effectiveness. The three main goals of the strategic plan are increasing educational attainment, aligning better with workforce needs, and leveraging resources to operate as efficiently as possible.

Chancellor Garrett reported on the 2023 funding request of the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education and compared Oklahoma higher education's funding to other states in our region.

Chancellor Garrett reported on of the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education's legislative priorities including universal FAFSA and strengthening Oklahoma's Promise.

**Chair Reilly declared a break at 10:25 a.m.**

**The meeting resumed at 10:40 a.m**

**B. Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance Mark Tygret — State Regents Performance Funding Formula Review (Pages 95-104)**

Vice Chancellor Tygret reviewed the current performance funding model and responded to questions.

**VII. PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL REPORT—President Thomas Newsom**

President Newsom reported that the Legislative Reception and Higher Ed Day went well and were good opportunities for engaging people and spreading the RUSO message. President Newsom reported that the Presidents are working on some recommendations to improve those events in the future.

President Newsom reported that all six of the Presidents will be together at the HLC conference in Chicago.

President Newsom reported on the Dear Colleague letter from the Department of Education which further defines requirements and responsibilities to institutions for third party servicers of Title IV student assistance programs.

**VIII. PRESIDENTS' RECOMMENDATIONS**

**A. UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA  
(Pages 43-54)**

**Regent Winchester made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford, to approve the President's Recommendations University of Central Oklahoma as presented by President Andrew Benton.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

President Benton reported on the partnership between the University of Oklahoma and the Urban Land Institute.

President Benton reported that Arthur Levine, author of the book *The Great Upheaval* will be speaking at UCO on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and all are welcome.

**B. NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY**  
(Pages 55-58)

**Regent Ford made the motion, seconded by Regent Carpenter, to approve the President's Recommendations for Northeastern State University as presented by President Steve Turner.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

President Turner reported that NSU was named a top institution for supporting Native students and communities.

President Turner reported that the senior President's Leadership class will be taking a trip to Washington D.C.

President Turner reported that Centurion Day celebrates the anniversary of NSU transitioning from a tribal to a public institution. It will take place on March 6, 2023. Regent Parker is a Centurion 2023 Honoree.

**C. NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY**  
(Pages 59-60)

**Regent McDermott made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford, to approve the President's Recommendations for Northwestern Oklahoma State University as presented by President Bo Hannaford.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

President Hannaford reported on the dedication ceremony for Cunningham Hall that took place January 20<sup>th</sup>.

President Hannaford reported on the “Teach Oklahoma” course. Northwestern has partnered with Alva, Enid and Ponca City High Schools to mentor students on the teaching profession.

President Hannaford reported on Kelsey Ripperger, a NWOSU recent grad, who was selected to represent the University at the United Nations Summit in Thailand. President Hannaford reported that Ripperger had a great experience at the Summit.

President Hannaford reported that Dr. Shelly Wells, professor at NWOSU, presented as a panel member at the plenary session of the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties fall conference in Maryland.

#### **D. SOUTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY**

(Pages 61-64)

**Regent Winchester made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford, to approve the President’s Recommendations for Southeastern Oklahoma State University as presented by President Thomas Newsom.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

President Newsom reported that there were about 300 students in attendance for Southeastern’s Aviation Day, which is a substantial increase from last year’s attendance of about 40 students.

President Newsom reported that freshman admittance is up about 137% for the fall.

President Newsom reported on the dedication of the E-Sports Arena.

President reported on finalizing the strategic plan for the University and plan for adoption by the end of the academic year.



**E. EAST CENTRAL UNIVERSITY**

(Pages 65-67)

**Regent Fisher made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford, to approve the President's Recommendations for East Central University as presented by President Wendell Godwin.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

President Godwin reported on a comparative data sheet that was distributed, comparing the amount of prospective students, applicants, and students admitted to ECU. The University is working to track applicants that have not been admitted due to missing paperwork to fill in the gap of applicants to admitted students.

President Godwin reported on the status of the voluntary retirement incentive that was approved in January.

President Godwin reported that ECU's volleyball coach has accepted a Division I coaching job and will be leaving the University.

President Godwin reported that ECU's strategic plan is near completion.

**F. SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY**

(Pages 68-69)

**Regent Winchester made the motion, seconded by Regent Fisher, to approve the President's Recommendations for Southwestern Oklahoma State University as presented by President Diana Lovell.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

President Lovell reported that spring enrollment is up 1% from last spring, and summer enrollment is up 12% from last summer.

President Lovell reported on the High School Anatomage Regional Tournament that was hosted at SWOSU. President Lovell reported that there were scholarships awarded to winners at the competition.

President Lovell reported on SWOSU's partnership with Rose State to accept their top 5 chemistry graduates to be admitted into the SWOSU pharmacy school.

President Lovell reported that SWOSU and the City of Weatherford are working together to produce a city- branded stone art piece representing SWOSU that will be located near the interstate.

President Lovell reported on the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the women's basketball national championship.

President Lovell reported on the telehealth facilities that are bringing healthcare to rural communities that might not otherwise have access. The School of Pharmacy has been awarded a \$1 million grant that will expand this access from 6 high schools to 12 high schools.

#### **IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Sheridan McCaffree**

Ms. McCaffree encouraged regents to attend the AGB conference that will take place April 2, 2023 in San Diego.

Ms. McCaffree provided RUSO logo note cards to regents.

Ms. McCaffree reported on the assistance and expertise of the State Regents' research and analysis arm in helping RUSO with data and research requests.

#### **X. REGENTS' COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **XI. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

##### **A. Action to convene in Executive Session pursuant to 25 O. S.§307 (B) (1) to discuss the following:**

1. Discussion regarding employment of the President of Northeastern State University.
2. Discussion regarding employment of the President of University of Central Oklahoma

##### **B. Pursuant to 25 O.S. Section 307 (B) (4) to discuss the following:**

1. Confidential communications with legal counsel concerning all pending claims or actions and litigation.

**Actions:**

- a. Charles E. Sneed and Tabitha Sneed v. Northeastern State University (“NSU”), Acting President Kim Cherry, and, NSU Employees, E.C.A.L. [sic et al.], Cherokee County, Case# CJ-2007-840.
- b. Marci D. Walkingstick Dixon v. State of Oklahoma ex rel the Regional University System of the Oklahoma Board of Regents sic. d/b/a Northeastern State University (“NSU”), United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma Case #CIV 19-391.
- c. Miranda Summar, Olivia Wells, Priscilla Pena, Rheanna Jackson, Gabrielle Glidewell, and Morgan Brown Russell v. The State of Oklahoma ex rel University of Central Oklahoma (“UCO”), Western District of Oklahoma, Case #CIV-21-473-G.
- d. Mary H. Alvarez v. The Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges (“RUSO”) & University of Central Oklahoma (“UCO”), District Court of Oklahoma County, Case #CJ-2018-5269.
- e. Ronald Wyatt, v. Jennifer Kay Wyatt, Patti Buhl, Northeastern State University Police Department, Northeastern State University Board of Regents, and Northeastern State University (“NSU”), District Court of Wagoner County, Case #CJ-2017-240.
- f. Vicki Dismukes v. State of Oklahoma ex rel. University of Central Oklahoma ex rel. UCO Jazz Lab, District Court of Oklahoma County Case #CJ-2018-3273.
- g. Terry Worcester v. East Central University, District Court of Pontotoc County Case #CJ-2019-37.
- h. Billy Elliott v. University of Central Oklahoma, District Court of Oklahoma County Case #CJ-2021-3586.
- i. Jane Roe v. The State of Oklahoma ex rel University of Central Oklahoma, Western District of Oklahoma, Case #CIV-22-237-SLP.

- j. Sierra Rudman and Calyn Boyd v. State of Oklahoma, ex rel. Board of Regents for the Regional University System of Oklahoma and Kay Robinson, Western District of Oklahoma Case # CIV-22-91-PRW.
- k. Jackson Shepherd and Mallory Scott et al. v. Regional University System of Oklahoma et al., District Court of Oklahoma County Case #CJ-20-2383.
- l. David B. Young v. University of Central Oklahoma and State of Oklahoma ex rel. Regional University System of Oklahoma, Western District of Oklahoma Case #CIV-22-711-SLP.
- m. Tatum Robertson, Eve Brennan, and Marin Rhodes v. University of Central Oklahoma and Board of Regents for the Regional University System of Oklahoma, Western District of Oklahoma Case #CIV-2022-836-HE

**Claims:**

- a. Tort Claims pending with State Risk Management

Alan Scott Asher claims he was on the Northeastern State University, Broken Arrow campus when he slipped and fell, breaking his hip and femur. Mr. Asher and his wife have both submitted claims to Oklahoma State Risk Management under the Oklahoma Governmental Tort Claims Act.

**Charges pending with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (“EEOC”):**

None.

**Claims pending with the U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights (“OCR”)**

- a. Compliance Audit of NSU Case # 07-15-6001
- b. Mary Brown, OCR Docket #07132064 (“NSU”)
- c. Tony Hebblethwaite, OCR Docket #07212049 (“UCO”)

**Miscellaneous Matters**

None.

**Regent Fisher made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford to move into Executive Session.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

**Regent Parker left the room at 12:24 p.m.**

**Regent Ford left the room at 1:02 p.m.**

**Regent Parker returned at 1:04 p.m.**

### **XIII. RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION**

- A.** Consideration and possible action to implement matters discussed in Executive Session.

**Regent Fisher made the motion, seconded by Regent Ford, to proceed as discussed in executive session.**

**Voting for the motion: Regents Winchester, Van Denhende, Parker, Reilly, McDermott, Fisher, and Ford**

**Voting against the motion: none**

### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 1:30 p.m.**

ATTACHMENTS TO AGENDA

FEBRUARY 24, 2023

Attachment:

- A.** Educational Excellence Committee... ..23-30

\* Educational Excellence Committee attachments for this meeting have been abbreviated to save paper and space. The complete submissions, which include the required Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education form documents and other supporting documents for all matters involving changes in a course or courses of study or institution of new degree programs, were provided to the RUSO Administrative Office and this documentation is available in the office in Oklahoma City.

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February 12, 2023

**To:** Regional University System of Oklahoma Board of Regents  
**From:** Wendell L. Godwin, President

**Re:** Academic Affairs Agenda Item – February 23, 2023

Please place East Central University on the agenda with an Academic Affairs Agenda Item for the February 23, 2023, meeting of the Regional University System of Oklahoma Board of Regents. We request approval of the following items:

- **Environmental Health Sciences (016):** Program requirement change. Reducing the required number of hours to 120 and modifying required courses in the core.
- **Addictions Counseling Graduate Certificate (099):** Program deletion. There are currently no students in this certificate program as it was suspended last academic year.
- **Sociology (041):** Program deletion. There are currently no students in this program as it was suspended in 2018.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Jeffrey Gibson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

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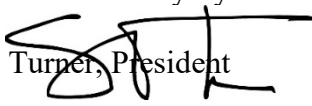


## NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

OFFICE *of the* PRESIDENT

DATE: February 10, 2023

TO: Educational Excellence Committee  
Regional University System of Oklahoma

FROM:  Steve Turner, President

SUBJECT: Academic Affairs Agenda Items – February 2023

Northeastern State University requests approval for the following program modifications, program deletions and new certificate proposals.

### **Program Modifications**

**Teacher Education Programs.** NSU requests degree designation changes for all teacher preparation programs. Advisors have encountered recent situations with early childhood, elementary, and special education degrees making it difficult for students to meet the Bachelor of Science liberal arts requirement. As the interpretation of the 4 x12 requirement has evolved to include pedagogical courses which are not Liberal Arts and as the legislature has required more and more specific course work which adds to the major, students in these three majors must take additional courses outside their major requirements to meet the Liberal Arts requirement. Most teacher education programs have no elective hours. These additional courses can impact financial aid. Adjusting all teacher preparation programs to Bachelor of Specialty should resolve this issue for the three particular programs as well as maintain degree designation consistency across programs.

### **Program Deletions**

**Environmental, Health and Safety Management, M.S. (096).** This program was suspended in September 2017, and all students in the pipeline have graduated. Students who have an interest in this area may select the Environmental, Health and Safety Management option in the Business Administration, M.B.A. program.

**Human and Family Sciences, B.S. (045).** This program was suspended in April 2016, and all students in the pipeline have graduated. Students have other degree choices including psychology, sociology, and social work.

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## **New Certificate**

**Planning, Resilience, and Incident Management (GR certificate).** Like the certificate above, this certificate would also be embedded in the Criminal Justice, M.S. program. It will prepare students for positions such as emergency manager, emergency operations planner, and disaster and response recovery positions.

Thank you for your consideration of these proposals. If you have any questions, please contact me or Dr. Landry.



*Office of the President*  
**Southeastern Oklahoma  
State University**

February 7, 2023

Regional University System of Oklahoma  
Landmark Towers  
3555 Northwest 58<sup>th</sup>, Suite 320  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

RE: Educational Excellence Committee

Dear Board Members:

We are seeking approval for electronic delivery of the following existing program.

- Bachelor of Arts in Theatre (Arts Administration Option) (060)

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this proposal.

Sincerely,

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Thomas W. Newsom  
President



TO: Board of Regents of the  
Regional University System of Oklahoma

FROM: Diana Lovell, President

DATE: February 7, 2023

SUBJECT: Program Modification Requests – February 7, 2023

Please place Southwestern Oklahoma State University on the agenda for the February 24, 2022, Board of Regents of the Regional University System of Oklahoma meeting regarding the following items:

- Program Modification requests for the following programs:
  1. Human Resource Management - NEW
  2. BAED History Education —132
  3. PharmD – Doctor of Pharmacy – 142

Documents for these requests are attached. If you need additional information regarding these items, please let me know.



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**OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

**Date:** February 10, 2023

**To:** Regional University System of Oklahoma  
Facilities Stewardship Committee  
Regent Amy Anne Ford, Chair

**From:** Dr. Bo Hannaford, President

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**Re:** Facilities Stewardship Committee Agenda Items - February 23, 2023

Please place Northwestern Oklahoma State University on the Facilities Stewardship Committee agenda for the February 23, 2023 meeting of the Regional University System of Oklahoma Board of Regents for the following item:

**Project #505-0046 Tuck Pointing of Campus Buildings**

Project Description: Northwestern requests permission to bid and award a contract to tuck point Herod Hall and the President's House. Herod Hall was built in 1924 and the President's House was built in 1914. Both structures have had minimal brick/mortar maintenance over the years. Easley Associate Architect will coordinate the bid process.

Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$200,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan? Yes

Revenue Source: School Land (Funds 600/650)

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UNIVERSITY OF  
**Central Oklahoma**

Date: February 23-24, 2023

To: Board of Regents of the Regional University System of Oklahoma  
Facilities Stewardship Committee Chair, Lake Carpenter

From: President Andrew Benton

**University of Central Oklahoma**

**February 2023 Facilities Stewardship Committee**

1. Approval Items:

**a. Project # 120-0010 Howell Hall Renovation & Additions**

Project Description: Request approval to award contracts not to exceed \$220,000, for the purpose of renovating laboratories 106 & 110 in the Howell Hall Science Building. These labs serve the School of Engineering.

Requested Funding Approval: \$220,000

Budget Breakdown: \$180,000 for construction, \$20,000 design and engineering, \$20,000 audio/visual

Vendors: Lingo Construction (UCO on-call construction manager), MA+ Architects (UCO on-call architect)

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes

Fund Source: College Facility Fees

**b. Project # 120-0013 Parking, Sidewalks, Lights & Landscape**

Project Description: Request approval to award contract in the amount of \$127,100 to Patco Electric for the purpose of replacing one hundred and thirty-six (136) exterior sidewalk light fixtures, with ten (10) spare fixtures also to be ordered.

Requested Funding Approval: \$127,100

Budget Breakdown: \$127,100 for construction

Vendors: Patco Electric (UCO on-call electrician)

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes

Fund Source: Section 13 Offset

**c. Facility Name Change**

Request permission to change the name of the Nigh University Center to the George and Donna Nigh University Center. It is the wish of Governor/President Nigh and the University to more explicitly acknowledge the many accomplishment and contributions of former First Lady Donna Nigh.

2. Information Item:

**a. Project # 120-0013 Parking, Sidewalks, Lights & Landscape**

Project Description: Issued contract to UCO on-call electrician, Patco Electric, in the amount of \$28,500 for installation of five (5) exterior light poles and fixtures at the northeast corner of the Liberal Arts Building. Work includes trenching and conduit installation as currently there are no lights in this area.

Fund Source: Facility Fees

Attachment:

Campus Map




# NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

OFFICE of the PRESIDENT

**DATE:** February 10, 2023

**TO:** Amy Ann Ford, Facilities Stewardship Committee Chair  
Regional University System of Oklahoma

**FROM:** Dr. Steve Turner, President 

**SUBJECT:** Facilities Stewardship Committee Agenda Items–February 2023

## 1. Right-of-Way Easement Request

NSU requests permission to grant a Right-of-Way Easement to Rural Water District No. 3, Cherokee County on NSU owned property described as:

*the easterly 20 feet of the westerly 40 feet lying adjacent to and parallel with Bryant Avenue also being the West line of the South 19.81 acres of Lot 3, North of the present highway in Section 30, T17N, R22E, Cherokee County being a tract of land described in BK 186 PG 174*

*and*

*the southerly 20 feet of the westerly 661 feet lying adjacent to and parallel to HWY 51 of the South 19.81 acres of Lot 3, North of the present highway in Section 30, T17N, R22E, Cherokee County being a tract of land described in BK 186 PG 174*

for purposes of laying and maintaining water distribution lines as described in the Easement (see attached). Permission is also requested to grant President Turner authority to sign the Easement on behalf of the Board.

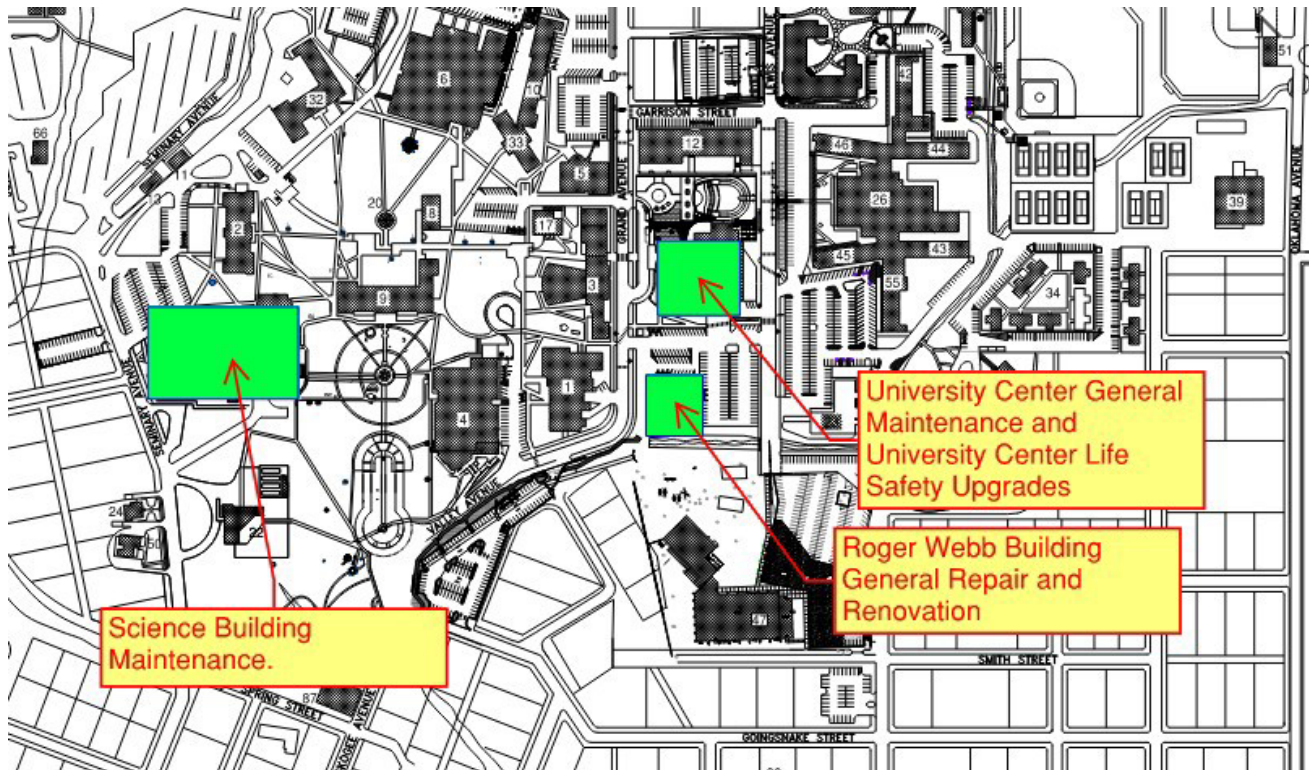
## 2. Project #485-0073 - Ratification of Emergency Approval: UC Chilled Water System

- a. Project Description: Request ratification of emergency approval granted by Regents Reilly and Ford on February 3, 2023, to renovate and repair the existing mechanical room chilled water system and install/start chillers, chilled water pumps, and AC components for the University Center.
- b. Requested Funding Approval: \$165,000
- c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
- d. Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund

## Informational:

- 1. Project #485-0073 - University Center General Maintenance and Repairs**
  - a. Project Description: General building repairs to University Center envelope and interior.
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: \$60,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund
  
- 2. Project #485-0073 - Science Buildings Maintenance**
  - a. Project Description: General repair and renovation to Science buildings and facilities.
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: \$80,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund, Science Fee
  
- 3. Project #485-0073 - Roger Webb Building Repair and Renovation**
  - a. Project Description: General repair and renovation to Roger Webb building envelope and interior.
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: \$50,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund, Webb Facility Fee
  
- 4. Project #485-0073 General Life Safety System Upgrades and Maintenance**
  - a. Project Description: Repair/replace campus life safety systems
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: \$90,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans: Yes
  - e. Revenue Source(s): 295 Fund
  
- 5. Project #485-0073 University Center Life Safety Systems Update**
  - a. Project Description: Repair/replace campus life safety systems
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: \$45,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans: Yes
  - e. Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund
  
- 6. Project #485-0074 General Elevator Repairs and Maintenance**
  - a. Project Description: Repairs/replacements of campus elevators and components
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: \$90,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans: Yes
  - e. Revenue Source(s): 295 Fund
  
- 7. Project #485-0063 General Housing Building Repairs**
  - a. Project Description: General repairs to all housing facilities campus wide.
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: \$50,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Congruent with Facility Master Plans or Strategic Plans: Yes
  - e. Revenue Source(s): 751 Fund







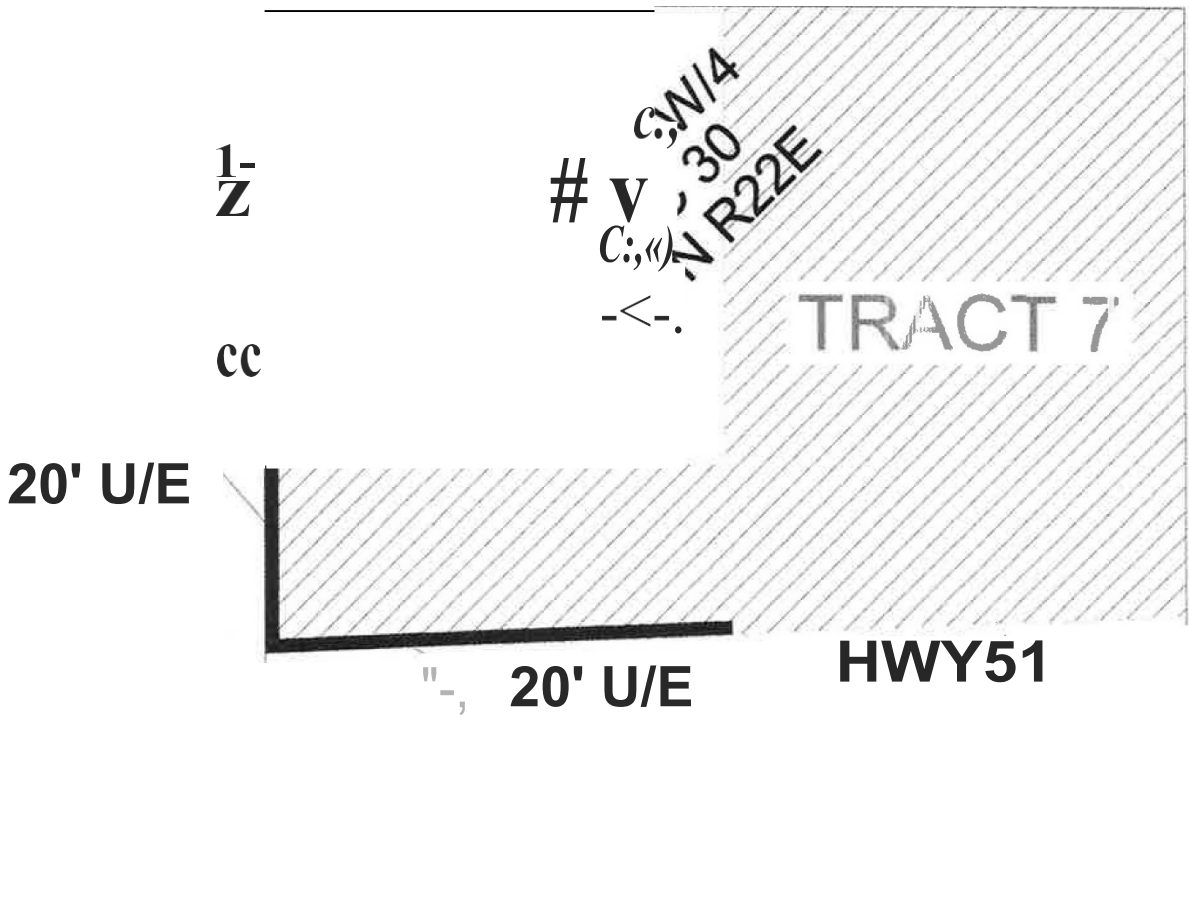
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AND

THE SOUTHERLY 20 FEET OF THE WESTERLY 661 FEET LYING ADJACENT TO AND PARALLEL TO HWY 51 OF THE SOUTH 19.81 ACRES OF LOT 3, NORTH OF THE PRESENT HIGHWAY IN SECTION 30 T17N R22E, CHEROKEE COUNTY BEING A TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN BK 186 PG 174.

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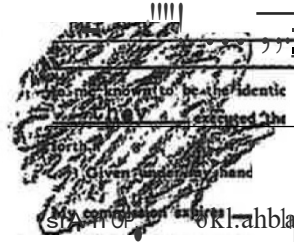


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**RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 3  
CHEROKEECOUNTY,OKLAHOMA  
RJGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT**

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:**

**THAT**-----

(Hereinafter called "Grantor") for Good and Valuable considerations of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, bargain, sell, transfer and convey unto **RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 3, CHEROKEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**, (hereinafter called "Grantee") a perpetual Easement upon, under, over and across the following described real estate in Cherokee County, Oklahoma, to-wit;

THE EASTERLY 20 FEET OF THE WESTERLY 40 FEET LYING ADJACENT TO AND PARALLEL WITH BRYANT AVE ALSO BEING THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTH 19.81 ACRES OF LOT 3, NORTH OF THE PRESENT HIGHWAY IN SECTION 30, T17N, R22E, CHEROKEE COUNTY BEING A TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN BK 186 PG 174.

**AND**

THE SOUTHERLY 20 FEET OF THE WESTERLY 661 FEET LYING ADJACENT TO AND PARALLEL TO HWY 51 OF THE SOUTH 19.81 ACRES OF LOT 3, NORTH OF THE PRESENT HIGHWAY IN SECTION 30, T17N, R22E, CHEROKEE COUNTY BEING A TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED **IN BK** 186 PG 174.

This easement is granted for the purpose of enabling the Grantee herein, its successors, trustees and assigns, to go upon the real estate above described and to construct, reconstruct, use, operate, maintain, inspect and patrol, water distribution pipelines, and appurtenances thereto, and/or water meter with full rights of ingress and egress over Grantor's adjacent lands to and from the real estate above described.

The consideration recited herein shall constitute payment in full for all damages sustained by the Grantor by reason of the installation of the structures referred to herein and the Grantee will maintain the real estate above described in a state of good repair and efficiency so that no unreasonable damages will result from its use to Grantor's premises.

The Grantor, their heirs, executors and assigns, may fully use and enjoy said premises except for altering or in any manner changing improvements made on the real estate above described by said Grantee or erecting any kind of structure which might obstruct the use of the improvements.

This Agreement together with other provisions of this grant shall constitute a covenant running with the land for the benefit of the Grantee, its successors and assigns. Grantor covenants that Grantor is the owner of record of the above - described lands and that said lands are free and clear of all encumbrances and liens except the following:

To have and to hold the same unto the Grantee, its successors, trustees and assigns, forever.

Dated this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

X. \_\_\_\_\_

X \_\_\_\_\_

State of Oklahoma)  
 ) ss.  
Cherokee County )

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
20\_\_\_, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ to me known to be the  
identical person(s) who executed the within and foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she  
executed the same as his/her free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year above set  
forth.

My Commission expires: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public



Office of the President  
**Southeastern Oklahoma  
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February 7, 2023

Regent Amy Anne Ford  
Regional University System of Oklahoma  
Landmark Tower, Suite 320  
3555 N. W. 58<sup>th</sup> Street  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

RE: February Facilities Stewardship Committee

Dear Regent Ford,

**Construction & Renovation, exceeding \$100,000**

In accordance with Board policy 2.4, Public Construction and Improvement Projects exceeding \$100,000, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is requesting approval for the following projects:


Project Name: Biology Building Renovations & Improvements  
Project Description: Request approval to bid and award construction manager services for the renovation of the Biology Building. Areas to include updated labs, improvements to classroom spaces, and other updates through academic and administrative spaces.  
Project Number(s): 660-0344 & 660-0800  
Amount: \$3,000,000 estimated  
Source of Funds :ARPA Funds  
Vendor: To be determined

**Construction & Renovation, between \$25,000 and \$100,000**

In accordance with Board policy 2.4, Public Construction and Improvement Projects between \$25,000 and \$100,000, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is reporting the following projects:

Vendor	Description	Amount	Funding Source
Texoma Manufacturing	40x60 Softball Batting Cage	\$49,777	Donated Funds

Sincerely,

  
Thomas W. Newsom  
President



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**DATE:** February 15, 2023

**TO:** Amy Ann Ford, Facilities Stewardship Committee Chair  
Regional University System of Oklahoma

**FROM:** Wendell L. Godwin, President *Wendell L. Godwin*

**SUBJECT:** Facilities Stewardship Committee Agenda Items–February 2023

1. Ratification of Emergency Approval: Briles Hall Bathrooms
  - a. Project Description: Request ratification of emergency approval granted by Regents Reilly and Ford on January 30, 2023, to bid and award a contract to renovate the 55 restrooms in Briles Hall, which is approximately 60 years old, has five floors, and has been unoccupied since May 2022.
  - b. Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$1,200,000
  - c. Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs
  - d. Revenue Source(s): 730 Auxiliary

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ron Bussert, Interim VP of Administration & Finance / CFO at 580-559-5215.

WLG: hpv





*Office of the President*

**Southeastern Oklahoma  
State University**

February 8, 2023

Regional University System of Oklahoma  
Landmark Towers  
3555 Northwest 58<sup>th</sup>, Suite 320  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

RE: Audit & Finance Committee

Dear Regent Parker,

In accordance with Board policy 2.1.2, Budget Submission and Approval, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is requesting to amend the following FY 2023 budget as indicated below.

As part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, SE has been awarded over 6.5 million dollars for improvements and renovations to Science and Biology Buildings. This is the initial budget revision to begin expending the funds.

Budget: E&G Part II, Fund 497, Federal ARPA Funds, \$1,000,000 increase  
Source of Funds: American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Federal Stimulus Funding

Sincerely,


Thomas W. Newsom  
President



**NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY**  
OFFICE *of the* PRESIDENT

**DATE:** February 10, 2023

**TO:** Gary Parker, Audit & Finance Committee Chair  
Regional University System of Oklahoma

**FROM:** Dr. Steve Turner, President 

**SUBJECT:** Audit & Finance Committee Agenda Items–February 2023

**Approval of FY23 Budget**

In accordance with board policy 2.1.2, Budget Submission and Approval, Northeastern State University is requesting the following FY2023 budget as indicated below.

Fund 497 to be budgeted for \$15,150,000 for the ARPA Funds (includes 2% Administrative Fee of \$303,000).



UNIVERSITY OF  
**Central Oklahoma**

**University of Central Oklahoma**

**Edmond, Oklahoma**

**February 24, 2023**

Board of Regents Regional University System of Oklahoma  
305 NW 5<sup>th</sup> #407  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Dear Board Members:

The recommendations of the University of Central Oklahoma are as follows:

**I. Personnel**

**A. Promotion in Rank (effective 2023-2024 academic year)**

Name	Department	From (Rank)	To (Rank)
<b><u>College of Business</u></b>			
Dr. Allen Arnold	Finance	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Holly Osburn	Management	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Dini Homsey	Marketing	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Grant Aguirre-Y-Luker	Marketing	Assoc.	Prof.

**College of Education & Professional Studies**

Dr. Michelle Johnson	AESS	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Trevor Cox	AESS	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Judith Lashley	C&I	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Shannon Montgomery	C&I	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Lea Ann Garcia	DNAPSS	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Tara Dalinger	DNAPSS	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Amy Townsend	KHS	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. J. Adam Randell	Psychology	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Megan Purdum	Psychology	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Lori Risley	AESS	Assoc.	Prof.

Dr. DiAnn McDown	C&I	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Kanika Bhargava	HES	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Nora Gayzur	Psychology	Assoc.	Prof.

**College of Fine Arts & Design**

Dr. Teresa Pac	Art	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Oksun Lee	Art	Assoc.	Prof.
Ms. Michelle Moeller	Dance	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. SeonMi Choi	Design	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Michael Geib	Music	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Margaret Moran	Music	Assoc.	Prof.

**College of Liberal Arts**

Dr. Shun Kiang	English	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Rebecca Quoss-Moore	English	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Reid Weber	Hum & Phil	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Desiree Hill	Mass Comm	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. John Hitz	English	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Leslie Similly	English	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Guillermo Martinez Sotelo	Modern Lang	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. LaDonna McCune	Socio/Gero/SAS	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Nina Michalikova	Socio/Gero/SAS	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Nicole Warehime	Socio/Gero/SAS	Assoc.	Prof.

**College of Mathematics & Science**

Dr. Matthew Parks	Biology	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Stephanie Jones	Chemistry	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Emily Hendryx	Math/Stat	Asst.	Assoc.
Dr. Allyson Fenwick	Biology	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Chad King	Biology	Assoc.	Prof.
Dr. Mohammad Hossan	Eng/Physics	Assoc.	Prof.

**B. Reappointment of Faculty**

1) Granting of Tenure

I request the following faculty members be granted tenure effective with the 2023-2024 academic year. Each has completed the probationary period and was eligible and recommended for tenure.

Name	Department
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**College of Business**

Dr. Evan Shough	Accounting
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**College of Education & Professional Studies**

Dr. Trevor Cox	Adult Education & Safety Sciences
Dr. Judith Lashley	Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Shannon Montgomery	Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Amy Townsend	Kinesiology
Dr. Megan Purdum	Psychology
Dr. J. Adam Randell	Psychology

**College of Liberal Arts**

Dr. Shun Kiang	English
Dr. Rebecca Quoss-Moore	English
Dr. Reid Weber	Humanities & Philosophy

**College of Mathematics & Science**

Dr. Matthew Parks	Biology
Dr. Stephanie Jones	Chemistry
Dr. Emily Hendryx	Mathematics & Statistics
Dr. Jodi Elderton	Nursing
Dr. Nancy Gwin	Nursing
Dr. Ragenia Wilson	Nursing

2) Reappointment of Tenure-Track Faculty during Probationary Period

I recommend the following for reappointment on a tenure-track basis effective for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Name	Department
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**College of Business**

Dr. Eddward Herron	Accounting
Dr. Jaclyn Prentice	Accounting
Dr. Yuyun "Robert" Zhou	Accounting
Dr. Syed Kamal	Finance
Dr. William Pratt	Finance
Dr. Mark Reavis	Finance
Dr. Hugo DeCampos	ISOM
Dr. Hossein Najmi	ISOM

Dr. Alireza Aghaey	Management
Dr. Jason Eliot	Management
Dr. Abbie Lambert	Management
Dr. Saheli Nath	Management
Dr. Benjamin Pratt	Management
Dr. Emily Goad	Marketing
Dr. Wenkai Zhou	Marketing

### **College of Education & Professional Studies**

Dr. Marcio Bezerra	Adult Education & Safety Sciences
Dr. Janet Handwerk	Adult Education & Safety Sciences
Dr. Mansur Choudry	Advanced Prof. & Special Services
Dr. Edward Collins	Advanced Prof. & Special Services
Dr. Kari Dyer	Advanced Prof. & Special Services
Dr. Dawn Pierce	Advanced Prof. & Special Services
Dr. David Rehfeld	Advanced Prof. & Special Services
Dr. Alissa Crawford	ESFR
Dr. Alicia Welch	ESFR
Ms. Julie Kellogg	HES
Dr. Joanne Wong	Human Environmental Sciences
Dr. Susan Woods	Human Environmental Sciences
Ms. Megan Bolin	Kinesiology & Health Studies
Dr. Kerry Morgan	Kinesiology & Health Studies
Dr. Heloisa Campos	Psychology
Dr. K. Breana Downey	Psychology
Dr. Jose Hernandez	Psychology

### **College of Fine Arts & Design**

Mr. Michael Diaz	Art
Ms. Kelly Temple	Art
Mr. Alexander Olivieri	Dance
Ms. Monique Ortman	Design
Ms. McKenna Sanderson	Design
Mr. Jesse Warne	Design
Mr. Samuel Washburn	Design
Ms. Adrienne Wright	Design
Dr. Lani Garner	School of Music
Dr. Danielle Herrington	School of Music
Dr. Molly Johnson	School of Music
Mr. Ryan Meeks	School of Music
Ms. Rebecca McGuigan	Theatre Arts
Mr. Jamison Rhoads	Theatre Arts

### **College of Liberal Arts**

Dr. Tajanae Barnes	English
Dr. Cynthia Johnson	English
Dr. Tiffany Larson	English
Dr. Tobias Wray	English
Dr. Natalie Panther	History & Geography
Dr. Vanessa Bentley	Humanities & Philosophy
Dr. Annie Holt	Humanities & Philosophy
Dr. Sydney Morrow	Humanities & Philosophy
Dr. Milos Ajdinovic	Mass Communication
Dr. Megan Cox	Mass Communication
Ms. Cynthia Faulkner	Mass Communication
Dr. Matt Knutson	Mass Communication
Dr. Sophia Clark	Modern Languages
Dr. Travis Jones	School of Criminal Justice
Dr. Chunghyeon Seo	School of Criminal Justice
Dr. Jennifer Schmitz	School of Criminal Justice/FSI
Dr. Alyssa Provencio	Political Science
Dr. Kenneth Vaughan	Sociology/Gero/SAS

### **College of Mathematics & Science**

Dr. Christopher Goodchild	Biology
Dr. Jennifer Messick	Biology
Dr. Goutam Mylavarapu	Computer Science
Dr. Junghwan (John) Rhee	Computer Science
Dr. Shuai Zhang	Computer Science
Dr. Fei Zuo	Computer Science
Ms. Lucia Dickinson	Funeral Service
Mr. Timothy Dwyer	Funeral Service/FSI
Dr. Erin Williams	Mathematics & Statistics
Dr. Susan Barnes	Nursing
Dr. Maha El Hachi	Nursing
Dr. Carie Strauch	Nursing
Dr. Crystal Westmoreland	Nursing
Mr. Cody Wilkerson	Nursing
Dr. Ashley Wilson	Nursing

### **Forensic Science Institute**

Ms. Rachael Elliott	Forensic Science Institute
Ms. Keisha Jones	Forensic Science Institute
Dr. Eric Law	Forensic Science Institute
Ms. Meagan Raddatz	Forensic Science Institute
Dr. Rhonda Williams	Forensic Science Institute

### 3) Reappointment of Tenure-Track Faculty after Probationary Period

I recommend the following faculty members be retained for the 2023-2024 academic year. Each has received an appropriate recommendation for retention but lack some requirements for tenure.

Name	Department
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#### **College of Education & Professional Studies**

Ms. Caitlin Porterfield	ESFR/FSI
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#### **College of Mathematics & Science**

Ms. Connie Harris	Nursing
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### 4) Non-Tenure Track Appointments

I am recommending the following for reappointment on a non-tenure track basis effective with the 2023-2024 academic year.

Name	Department
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#### **College of Business**

Mr. Riley Shaul	Accounting
Mr. Danny Stewart	Accounting
Dr. NaRita Anderson	Finance
Ms. Melody Edwards	Management
Mr. Maurice Haff	Management
Mr. W. Robert Kaiser	Marketing

#### **College of Education & Professional Studies**

Dr. Benjamin Jimenez	Adult Education & Safety Sciences
Ms. Amy Thomas	Advanced Prof. & Special Services
Dr. Eric Conchola	Kinesiology & Health Studies
Ms. Shonna Covin	Kinesiology & Health Studies
Ms. Ericka Johnson	Kinesiology & Health Studies
Ms. Amber Knapp	Kinesiology & Health Studies
Ms. Kimberly Reeves	Kinesiology & Health Studies
Dr. Margaret Horner	Psychology
Dr. Vickie Jean	Psychology
Mr. Sean McMillan	Psychology



### **College of Fine Arts & Design**

Mr. David Broyles	ACM
Dr. Cara Dehnert	ACM
Mr. Joseph Gillian	ACM
Mr. Ryan Hendrix	ACM
Mr. Nathanael Medlam	ACM
Ms. Christina Kambour	Dance
Ms. Hui-Cha Poos	Dance
Mr. Brian Gorrell	School of Music
Mr. Earl Hefley	School of Music
Dr. Valery Kuleshov	School of Music
Mr. Zachary Lee	School of Music
Mr. Michael Lomeka	School of Music
Dr. Peter Pollack	School of Music
Mr. William Repavich	School of Music
Mr. Collin Andrulonis	Theatre Arts

### **College of Liberal Arts**

Ms. Jeannine Bettis	English
Ms. Shay Rahm	English
Ms. Beth Wallo	English
Dr. Maria Diaz Montejo	History & Geography
Mr. John Murphy	Humanities & Philosophy
Dr. Andrew Russo	Humanities & Philosophy
Mr. Stephen Wagner	Humanities & Philosophy
Dr. Sarah Woolwine	Humanities & Philosophy
Mr. R. Sean Carroll	Mass Communication
Ms. Deborah Deppe	Mass Communication
Dr. David Duty	Mass Communication
Ms. Jennifer Foster	Mass Communication
Ms. Jennifer Manuel	Mass Communication
Ms. Christy De Lara	Modern Languages
Mr. Blake Fetty	Modern Languages
Ms. Amalia Gomez-Wilkinson	Modern Languages Dr.
Aisa Pessagno-Delboy	Modern Languages
Ms. Deborah Ferrell-Lynn	Political Science
Dr. Carl Dement	School of Criminal Justice
Mr. Donald Mizell	School of Criminal Justice
Ms. Brooke Montoya	Sociology/Gero/SAS

### **College of Mathematics & Science**

Dr. Justin Agan	Biology
Dr. Harold Cleveland	Biology

Ms. Andrea Curtis	Biology
Dr. Cari Deen	Biology
Ms. Shahang Derakhshan	Biology
Dr. Paul Olson	Biology
Mr. Donald Gibson	Chemistry
Dr. Jianguo Liu	Chemistry
Ms. Assal Alae	Engineering & Physics
Ms. Maria Bostwick	Engineering & Physics
Dr. Howard Richards	Engineering & Physics
Mr. Scott St. John	Engineering & Physics
Mr. Stephen Smith	Funeral Service
Ms. Joan Brenneman	Mathematics & Statistics
Ms. Janice Ford	Mathematics & Statistics
Ms. Liliya McCoy	Mathematics & Statistics
Mr. Tyler Powell	Mathematics & Statistics
Ms. Devin Smith	Mathematics & Statistics
Ms. Hailey Snell	Mathematics & Statistics
Ms. Jennifer Stone	Mathematics & Statistics
Ms. Susan Huffstutler	Nursing
Ms. Cheryl Reed	Nursing
Dr. Sezin Kadioglu	Professional Science Master's Program/Engineering & Physics

**Forensic Science Institute**

Mr. Craig Gravel Forensic Science Institute

**II. Academic Service Fees**

Changes:	Per	Current	Proposed	Revenue +/-	Total Revenue
<b>College of Liberal Arts - Special Instruction Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$ 18.98	\$ 17.48	\$ (105,000)	\$ 1,233,600
<p>Mindful of the significant cost of a college education, the College of Liberal Arts calculates the minimum fee amount, based on conservative enrollment estimates, that will meet the pressing needs described in Column V without generating surplus funds or creating roll-over balances of unexpended fee revenue. Based on 70,000 projected credit hours for AY24. The revenue collected through this fee is used to pay tutors, teaching assistants, instructional technologists, and academic advisers to support and facilitate student learning. If these adjustments to the College of Liberal Arts' academic service fees are not approved, the college is likely to generate surplus revenue in its Special Instruction and Classroom/Laboratory Supply and Material fee accounts, creating an unnecessary burden on students, and to experience a deficit in its Facility/Equipment Utilization fee account. The College of Liberal Arts, through the University of Central Oklahoma's campus wide "Alignment and Allocation" process, has reduced the number of support staff paid from the Special Instruction fee, to reflect diminished and declining enrollment levels. The college also purchases fewer classroom consumables from its Classroom/Laboratory Supply and Material fee revenue, owing to the increased use of online platforms for instruction. Diminished and declining enrollment levels, however, make it increasingly difficult to make bond-service payments from Facility/Equipment Utilization fee revenue, so the college proposes to reallocate fee revenue to this account.</p>					
<b>College of Fine Arts and Design - Special Instruction Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$ 40.97	\$ 38.97	\$ (37,200)	\$ 724,842

Based on 18,600 projected credit hours for AY24. Reallocated fees from Special Instruction will help fund the rising costs of classroom material, lumber for production sets and technology for student labs and classrooms. If this adjustment is not approved there will not be enough funds to support classroom supplies and student labs. This fee change has no new financial effect on the students. It's a reallocation of existing fees. A \$2 decrease to Special Instruction and a \$1 increase to both Supplies/Materials and Facilities/Equipment. Student Advisory meetings Sept and Feb of each academic year. Academic Service fees were not on the Sept. agenda.

<b>Changes:</b>	<b>Per</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Revenue +/-</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>
<b>College of Mathematics and Science - Special Instruction Utilization Fee</b>	Credit Hour	\$ 27.94	\$ 26.10	\$ (126,986)	\$ 1,801,265

The fee increase is based on the projection of 69,014 credit hours produced by the College of Mathematics and Science in FY24. These funds are necessary to pay the salaries for students working as tutors, drill instructors, supplemental instructors, lab supervisors, graders, and Graduate Teaching Assistants. Also, these funds are used to partially pay the salary of faculty and staff. In addition, these funds support Transformative Learning activities for students. If these funds are not available, we will not be able to provide tutoring and special instruction for the students taking course in Mathematics and Science. In addition, we would not be able to offer students the opportunity for transformative learning experiences.

<b>College of Liberal Arts - Facility/Equipment Utilization Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$ 12.20	\$ 13.75	\$ 108,500	\$ 962,500
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Mindful of the significant cost of a college education, the College of Liberal Arts calculates the minimum fee amount, based on conservative enrollment estimates, that will meet the pressing needs described in Column V without generating surplus funds or creating roll-over balances of unexpended fee revenue. Based on 70,000 projected credit hours for AY24. The revenue collected through this fee is used to pay the college's debt-service on the bond that financed the construction of the Liberal Arts South Wing and to purchase classroom and open student laboratory computers. If these adjustments to the College of Liberal Arts' academic service fees are not approved, the college is likely to generate surplus revenue in its Special Instruction and Classroom/Laboratory Supply and Material fee accounts, creating an unnecessary burden on students, and to experience a deficit in its Facility/Equipment Utilization fee account. The College of Liberal Arts, through the University of Central Oklahoma's campus wide "Alignment and Allocation" process, has reduced the number of support staff paid from the Special Instruction fee, to reflect diminished and declining enrollment levels. The college also purchases fewer classroom consumables from its Classroom/Laboratory Supply and Material fee revenue, owing to the increased use of online platforms for instruction. Diminished and declining enrollment levels, however, make it increasingly difficult to make bond-service payments from Facility/Equipment Utilization fee revenue, so the college proposes to reallocate fee revenue to this account.

<b>College of Fine Arts and Design - Facilities/Equipment Utilization Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$ 31.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 18,600	\$ 595,200
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Based on 18,600 projected credit hours for AY24. The increased revenue from reallocated fees from Special Instruction will help support the increasing cost of technology for student computer labs, software and musical Instrument replacements and repairs. If reallocation is not approved students will have decreased access to updated educational technology, software, and musical instruments and repairs. This fee change has no new financial effect on the students. It's a reallocation of existing fees. A \$2 decrease to Special Instruction and a \$1 increase to both Supplies/Materials and Facilities/Equipment. Student Advisory meetings Sept and Feb of each academic year. Academic Service fees were not on Sept. agenda.

<b>College of Mathematics and Science - Facility/Equipment Utilization Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$ 21.06	\$ 22.29	\$ 84,887	\$ 1,538,322
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The fee increase is based on the projection of 69,014 credit hours produced by the College of Mathematics and Science in FY24. These funds are necessary to support the STEM Building bond payment, copier and equipment rentals, services, software, service agreements/maintenance contracts, licenses/inspections, senior design projects, equipment repairs, purchases of new instruments and equipment, computers,

monitors, projectors, servers, building renovations and updates. If these funds are not available, we will not be able to purchase new computers and monitors, purchase new instruments and equipment for teaching labs, or do needed renovations and maintenance of buildings.					
<b>Changes:</b>	<b>Per</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Revenue +/-</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>
<b>College of Liberal Arts - Classroom/Laboratory Supply and Material Fees</b>	Credit hour	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.35	\$ (3,500)	\$ 24,500
Mindful of the significant cost of a college education, the College of Liberal Arts calculates the minimum fee amount, based on conservative enrollment estimates, that will meet the pressing needs described in Column V without generating surplus funds or creating roll-over balances of unexpended fee revenue. Based on 70,000 projected credit hours for AY24. The revenue collected through this fee is used to purchase consumables (dry erase markers, paper, poster board, and other supplies) for use by students as part of in-class instruction. If these adjustments to the College of Liberal Arts' academic service fees are not approved, the college is likely to generate surplus revenue in its Special Instruction and Classroom/Laboratory Supply and Material fee accounts, creating an unnecessary burden on students, and to experience a deficit in its Facility/Equipment Utilization fee account. The College of Liberal Arts, through the University of Central Oklahoma's campus wide "Alignment and Allocation" process, has reduced the number of support staff paid from the Special Instruction fee, to reflect diminished and declining enrollment levels. The college also purchases fewer classroom consumables from its Classroom/Laboratory Supply and Material fee revenue, owing to the increased use of online platforms for instruction. Diminished and declining enrollment levels, however, make it increasingly difficult to make bond-service payments from Facility/Equipment Utilization fee revenue, so the college proposes to reallocate fee revenue to this account.					
<b>College of Fine Arts and Design - Classroom Supplies/Materials Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$ 8.14	\$ 9.14	\$ 18,600	\$ 170,004
Based on 18,600 projected credit hours for AY24. The increased revenue from reallocated fees from Special Instruction will help support the increasing cost of classroom supplies, lumber and building materials for CFAD production set designs. If fee reallocation is not approved, students will have limited classroom supplies and materials and will have to bear the additional costs. Also, productions will have to be limited due to set design costs limiting the performance time for students. This fee change has no new financial effect on the students. It's a reallocation of existing fees. A \$2 decrease to Special Instruction and a \$1 increase to both Supplies/Materials and Facilities/Equipment. Student Advisory meetings Sept and Feb of each academic year. Academic Service fees were not on the agenda.					
<b>College of Mathematics and Science - Classroom Supplies Utilization Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$ 3.36	\$ 3.97	\$ 42,099	273,986
The fee increase is based on the projection of 69,014 credit hours produced by the College of Mathematics and Science in FY24. These funds are necessary to support the classroom and lab activities for students enrolled in courses in the College of Mathematics and Science. These purchases include chemicals, cadavers, chalk, paper, various supplies for Engineering Senior Design projects, IV bags and syringes, for Nursing labs. If these funds are not available, we will not be able to purchase the necessary supplies for students to experience the hands-on learning that occurs in the laboratories and classrooms.					

### III. Executive Summary of Awards

Following are the new contracts that have been awarded since the last Board Letter:

#### January 2023

NSF National – I-Corps Grant: Electrospun Nanofiber, \$50,000  
National Science Foundation  
January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Morshed Khandaker, College of Math and Science

The goals of the NSF Innovation Corps (I-Corps) Program are to spur translation of fundamental research to the marketplace, to encourage collaboration between academia and industry, and to train NSF-funded faculty, students and other researchers in innovation and entrepreneurship skills.

2023 ESTEEM Builder for Emerging Careers: A High School Summer Academy, \$36,750

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Joselina Cheng, Rhonda Williams, College of Business

This grant will fund a five-day summer academy for underserved high school students to broaden participation in Environmental Sustainability, Science, Technology, Engineering, Eco-social Science, and Mathematics (ESTEEM).

Boeing Reverse Engineering and Rapid Prototyping Lab, \$30,000

Boeing

January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Evan Lemley, College of Engineering

This grant will fund the Boeing Reverse Engineering and Rapid Prototyping Lab, which will enhance existing engineering courses, provide a launchpad for new curriculum development in advanced manufacturing and reverse engineering and offer engineering students the opportunity to immediately gain relevant skills for the aerospace industry and other related industries.

#### **IV. Purchases for Approval**

##### **A. Ellucian, LLC.**

Source: E&G ..... \$ 744,665

Ellucian Managed Cloud Contract Addendum Subscription and Implementation.

- (5-year agreement totaling \$3,211,584), year 1 commitment. Year one includes one-time bridge contract co-term and cloud migration services \$199,566.
- Ellucian Managed Cloud Contract Addendum Subscription and Implementation. Shifting Ellucian Banner and ODS from on-premise servers to Ellucian Managed Cloud to maximize security of UCO sensitive data, reduce scope of liability, increase business continuity capabilities, establish consistent resource availability, reduce future hardware refresh costs, shift and align IT resource focus to functional ERP support.

##### **B. Oracle Advanced Security License and Support.**

Source: E&G ..... \$ 495,000

- Oracle Advanced Security License and Support – Provides enhanced security and encryption of UCO data in alignment with regulatory requirements. Includes: Advanced Security, Audit Vault and Database Firewall.
- One-time Perpetual License \$405,000; Annual Support \$90,000.

**V. Informational Items from Purchasing**

ONEFIRE Media Group Inc. Marketing Consulting Services.  
 Source: Marketing Consulting Services..... \$57,600

**VI. MidFirst Student Bankable ID Card Partnership**

Request approval to enter into a ten-year agreement with MidFirst Bank to be the exclusive provider of student bankable ID cards for those students who choose them over the traditional student ID. UCO is currently in the final year of the initial ten-year agreement with MidFirst. This revenue producing agreement will result in a total return in excess of \$3 million to the University and the UCO Foundation over the life of the agreement.

Respectfully,



Andrew Benton  
 President



**NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY**  
OFFICE *of the* PRESIDENT

February 10, 2023

Regional University System of Oklahoma  
PO Box 407  
Oklahoma City, OK 73101

Dear Board Members:

The recommendations of Northeastern State University are as follows:

**I. PERSONNEL**

**A. ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES**

**Dr. Benjamin Hay**, Assistant Professor of Music in the College of Liberal Arts has been named Music Department Chair effective, January 9, 2023. He will be paid an additional stipend of \$855 per semester. Dr. Hay is filling the chair position after the department chair resignation of Dr. Christian Bester.

**B. FACULTY APPOINTMENTS (NON-TENURE TRACK)**

**Ms. Courtney Helm** has been appointed Instructor of Library Services in the NSU John Vaughn Library effective February 1, 2023. This is a full-time regular, non-tenure track, 12-month position at a fiscal year salary rate of \$43,992. Ms. Helm is filling the position left vacant by Ms. Catherine Davenport.

Ms. Helm holds the following degrees: M.L.I.S., Library and Information Studies, University of Oklahoma; and B. A., English, Northeastern State University.

Her professional experience includes: Youth Associate, Broken Arrow Library – three and ½ years; Children’s Associate; Bixby Library – one year; Customer Service Assistance (Children’s Department), Hardesty Regional Library – nine months.

**C. FACULTY CHANGE OF STATUS**

**Dr. Joseph Bello**, Assistant Professor of Music / Interim Director of Bands has been appointed Assistant Professor of Music / Director of Bands in the College of Liberal Arts effective, July 1, 2023. This is a full-time regular, tenure track, 9-month position at an academic year salary rate of \$56,763. Dr. Bello is filling the position left vacant by Dr. Bryan Raya.

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**D. RESIGNATIONS**

**Ms. Lindsay Crouch**, Instructor / SLP School Supervisor, in the Gregg Wadley College of Science and Health Professions has submitted her letter of resignation effective February 13, 2023. Ms. Crouch has been employed with NSU since August 2022.

**II. ACADEMIC SERVICE FEES**

Northeastern State University recommends the following changes to our academic service fees to be assessed during the 2024 academic year.

<b>New:</b>	<b>Per</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Revenue +/-</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>
<b>Gregg Wadley College of Science &amp; Health Professions - Respiratory Care Therapy Clinic Fee</b>	Semester	\$ 0	\$ 250.00	+\$8,000	+\$8,000
<i>This fee covers the rising costs associated with software, supplies, and exam costs included as basic requirements necessary for the program to maintain standards mandated by the accrediting agency as outlined in the RCT core competencies.</i>					
<b>Changes:</b>	<b>Per</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Revenue +/-</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>
<b>Online Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$40.00	\$35.00	-\$480,000	\$2,040,000
<i>The basis of this fee reduction was offset with a slight tuition increase in FY23. The revenue from this fee provides funding for the campus as a whole to deliver online programs and support services as needed. Our goal is to eliminate this academic service fee within the next three years.</i>					

**III. PURCHASES**

**Northeastern State University presents the following items over \$150,000 to be approved in accordance with the policy of the Board. (All funding is E & G unless otherwise noted.):**

- IT Equipment and Supplies for INVESTS (Grant Funded).....\$2,830,000
  - Equipment (Zoom Carts, Video Management Solutions, Firewall, Core Switches, Access Points, other) .....\$2,700,000
  - Supplies.....\$ 10,000
  - Training (QM Rubric, Course, and Teaching Training, Agile Training, ITIL 4 Foundation, Network Training, PCI Training for 6 Technicians, and Dev OPS Training).....\$ 120,000



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**IV. GRANTS AND CONTACTS**

The University has received notification of funding for the following proposals:

**National Summer Transportation Institute 2022-2023..... \$50,000.00**

This project will develop a two-week summer program to inform, engage, and elicit student interest in transportation-related careers. Students will be selected from public high schools in Northeastern Oklahoma. A particular effort will be made to make this opportunity available to students in rural schools and among historically disadvantaged youth. The Project Director is Dr. Doug Martin.

**Riverhawk Center for Teaching Excellence 2022-2023 ..... \$689,382.00**

This project will provide supplemental efforts to existing programs with an emphasis Focused on increasing the number of qualified teachers from diverse backgrounds and/or bilingual/multilingual. The goal is to place these teachers in high need local educational agencies or hard to staff schools. The Project Director is Dr. Vanessa Anton.

**Get Green for Blue: STEM Connecting Water to You 2022-2023.....\$21,000.00**

Funds will be used for a summer camp where participants will learn about water quality by collecting data, analyzing the health of water bodies, and determining possible solutions to water quality problems. Camp will be open for 8<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> grades. The Project Director(s) are: Dr. Pam Christol and Dr. Nathan Green.

**Camp Biomed: A Glowing Overview 2022-2023 ..... \$21,000.00**

Funds will be used for a summer camp where participants will experience a world of science through scientific experimentation and improvement of their analytical, critical thinking, and communication skills in the process. Camp will be for high school level. The Project Director(s) are: Dr. Dianne Kirk, Dr. Janaki Iyer, and Dr. Martha Parrott.

**Rowdy’s Resource Room – Muskogee Campus 2023... ..... \$15,000.00**

Funds will be used to set up a food and resource room for students, faculty, and staff who need basic necessities such as food, school supplies, hygiene items, and/or clothing. This resource room will be located on the NSU Muskogee Campus. The Project Director is: Dr. Kimberly Williams.

**NSU – IUSE 2023-2025 .....\$287,614.00**

This project will increase the implementation of visibility of Course-based Undergraduate Research Experiences (CUREs) by exploring strategies to ensure faculty are fully committed to the use of CUREs in their courses. The project will have five objectives over the course of which will all be STEM based. The Project Directors are: Dr. Jessica Martin and Dr. Martha Parrott.

**Thermal Protection – Firefighter’s Glove 2023 .....\$7,750.00**

The project will develop a novel phase change material (PCM) integrated firefighter glove to remarkably improve the protection for firefighters’ hand from injuries caused by high-temperature operations. The Project Director is: Dr. Weihuan Zhao.

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**NSU- Project INVESTS: Industry and Next-Generation Vision to Expand Student and Teacher Success .....\$2,950,958.00**

This is a pilot program to upgrade and enhance technology on NSU campuses. The program will offer paid IT internships, update and increase the number of AP/WiFi drops, update the library auditorium, purchase Zoom Carts for use in multiple areas, and offer faculty an opportunity to serve as Fellows with CTL on the Quality Matters rubric to enhance the quality of online courses. The Project Directors are: Dr. Richard Reif and Mr. Jerol Skinner.

**America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Northeastern State University College of Optometry (ARPA-YY000536) ..... \$15,000,000.00**

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) to provide state, local, and Tribal governments with resources needed to respond to the pandemic and its economic effects to build a stronger, more equitable economy during the recovery). The Health Care Workforce Training Commission (HWTC) awarded funding in the amount of \$15,000,000 (includes 2% Administrative Fee of \$300,000) for NSU College of Optometry. The principle investigator is Ms. Christy Landsaw.

**America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Nursing Workforce Expansion (ARPA-XX000001) ..... \$150,000.00**

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) to provide state, local, and Tribal governments with resources needed to respond to the pandemic and its economic effects to build a stronger, more equitable economy during the recovery). The Health Care Workforce Training Commission (HWTC) awarded funding in the amount of \$150,000 (includes 2% Administrative Fee of \$3,000) to Northeastern State University. The principle investigator is Ms. Christy Landsaw.

**Total Grant and Contract Awards: ..... \$19,192,704.00**

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Turner, Ph.D.  
President

**Northwestern Oklahoma State University**

February 23, 2023

Regional University System of Oklahoma  
305 N.W. 5<sup>th</sup> #407  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Dear Board Members:

The recommendations of Northwestern Oklahoma State University are as follows:

**I. GRANTS AND CONTRACTS**

**The Enid Winter Chautauqua ..... \$1,250**

Grant funds to assist with the 2023 Enid Winter Chautauqua entitled “Clara Barton”, held on February 4, 2023, on Northwestern’s Enid Campus. Dr. Wayne McMillin, Dean of the Enid Campus, is the event coordinator. Funds were received from:

The Chautauqua Council of Enid..... \$1,000

The Enid Arts Council .....\$250

**TOTAL GRANTS.....\$1,250**

**Northwestern Oklahoma State University**

**II. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**A. Academic Service Fees**

Northwestern Oklahoma State University received approval to expand department offerings from a minor alone to a major and a minor. The University recommends implementation of the academic services fees effective Fall 2023 as shown on the table below.

<b>Changes:</b>	<b>Per</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Revenue +/-</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>
<b>Art Studio Material Fee – Facility/Equipment Utilization Fee</b>	Per Course	\$ 0.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00

This is the approximate cost of materials that students currently purchase for each course. In all cases students are paying well over the cost of the proposed fee for materials because they cannot consolidate shipping or buy in bulk. These fees would go directly towards purchasing each student all the materials they will need to complete the course. Students are able to keep these materials after the course is complete. Students will have to continue to seek out and purchase their own materials. They will continue to bear the additional costs of shipping and not buying at scale. Additionally, they may suffer delays in acquisition that put them behind in course work. Courses impacted by fee: ART1103, ART1303, ART1403, ART2203, ART2213, ART3133, ART3143, ART3153, ART3173, ART4703, ART3163, ART4103, ART4133, ART4203, ART4233, ART4253, ART4273, ART4900.

Sincerely,



Bo Hannaford, Ed.D.  
President

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Office of the President  
**Southeastern Oklahoma  
 State University**

Regent Connie Reilly  
 Regional University System of Oklahoma  
 Landmark Towers  
 3555 Northwest 58th, Suite 320  
 Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Dear Regent Reilly:

The recommendations of Southeastern Oklahoma State University are as follows:

**I. ACADEMIC SERVICE FEES**

Request approval for the following changes in Academic Service Fees for FY2024.

**DELETIONS:**

	Per	Current	Proposed	Revenue +/-	Total Revenue
<b>Sim Fee - 737 Flight Deck</b>	Per Use	\$160	\$0	\$0	\$0
Being replaced with more specialized flight academic services fees. The change is revenue neutral.					
<b>Sim Fee - General</b>	Per Use	\$90	\$0	\$0	\$0
Being replaced with more specialized flight academic services fees. The change is revenue neutral.					

**CHANGES:**

	Per	Current	Proposed	Revenue +/-	Total Revenue
<b>Graduation Fee</b>	Per Use	\$25	\$45	\$35,000	\$80,000
This fee is used to support graduation-related services. If fee is not approved, services to the students may be reduced.					
<b>Massey School of Business Academic Services Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$12	\$16	\$60,000	\$275,000
This fee will assist SE in maintaining and improving the education experience of students as well as help fulfill the expectations of both regional and specialty accreditations. Fee revenue will be used to purchase technology, electronic services, and instructional materials as well as national memberships and associations, defraying budget deficits, fulfilling Federal requirements, helping offset increased salaries and benefits for instruction and academic support and provide operational funding including student/employee travel and staff for growing programs.					

<b>School of Arts &amp; Sciences Academic Services Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$12	\$16	\$120,000	\$475,000
This fee will assist SE in maintaining and improving the education experience of students as well as help fulfill the expectations of both regional and specialty accreditations. Fee revenue will be used to purchase technology, electronic services, and instructional materials as well as national memberships and associations, defraying budget deficits, fulfilling Federal requirements, helping offset increased salaries and benefits for instruction and academic support and provide operational funding including student/employee travel and staff for growing programs.					
<b>School of Education &amp; Behavioral Sciences</b>	Credit hour	\$12	\$16	\$60,000	\$250,000
This fee will assist SE in maintaining and improving the education experience of students as well as help fulfill the expectations of both regional and specialty accreditations. Fee revenue will be used to purchase technology, electronic services, and instructional materials as well as national memberships and associations, defraying budget deficits, fulfilling Federal requirements, helping offset increased salaries and benefits for instruction and academic support and provide operational funding including student/employee travel and staff for growing programs.					

**ADDITIONS**

	Per	Current	Proposed	Revenue +/-	Total Revenue
<b>Nursing Enhancement Fee</b>	Credit hour	\$0	\$45	\$30,000	\$30,000
The revenue from this fee will be used to offset the costs of accreditation and faculty salaries. The amount is based on average nursing enhancement fees charged by RUSO nursing programs for undergraduate courses. If not approved, the University will need to find other ways to pay the costs.					
<b>B737 Simulator Fee, AVIA3233 &amp; AVIA3334</b>	Course	\$0	\$480	\$15,000	\$15,000
The fee is calculated based on an industry average. The revenue will be used for maintenance and upkeep of the 737 flight simulator.					
<b>B737 Simulator Fee, AVIA3503</b>	Course	\$0	\$640	\$10,000	\$10,000
The fee is calculated based on an industry average. The revenue will be used for maintenance and upkeep of the 737 flight simulator.					
<b>B737 Simulator Fee, AVIA4674</b>	Course	\$0	\$1,600	\$25,000	\$25,000
The fee is calculated based on an industry average. The revenue will be used for maintenance and upkeep of the 737 flight simulator.					
<b>Study Abroad Fee</b>	Credit Hour	\$0	\$1,000	\$45,000	\$45,000
This fee is used to support the study abroad program.					

## II. GRANTS

**McCurtain County Upward Bound..... \$287,537**

Source: U.S. Department of Education

Date: September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023 Yr 1 of 5

Director: Susy Haworth

Serve +60 high school students in McCurtain county, OK that meet the following criteria: low-income, first generation with an identified academic need. Services will improve their academic skills, retain participants through graduation from secondary programs, assist with postsecondary admission and enrollment, and track and/or assist students through graduation from postsecondary education.

**Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program..... \$261,888**

Source: U.S. Department of Education

Date: October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023 Yr 1 of 5

Director: Darla Ellett

The Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program (McNair Scholars Program) will serve 25 eligible participants who are from disadvantaged backgrounds and have demonstrated strong academic potential. Mentor Faculty will work closely with participants as they complete their undergraduate requirements to encourage participants to enroll in graduate programs. The goal is to increase the attainment of Ph.D. degrees by students from underrepresented segments of society.

**FEMA Emergency Management..... \$29,410**

Source: FEMA Higher Education Program

Date: September 9, 2022 – July 31, 2023

Director: Joseph Simons-Rudolph

Analyze Emergency Management (EM) academic programs such as the structure & organization, types, location, delivery, and curriculum requirements. Produce a comparison of EM academic program curriculum to core competencies of the Next Generation Core Competencies for EM.

**Oklahoma Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Higher Education Prevention Services Grant.....\$100,500**

Source: Oklahoma Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Date: October 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Director(s): April Lehring

Train and staff a professional prevention specialist. Support the education and safety of the community by providing trainings, resources and prevention services for narcotics, stimulants, and other substance abuse needs.

**Oklahoma Small Business Development Center Network .....\$1,520,723**

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration

Date: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2023

Director: Michele Hockersmith

Provide consulting and training services to Oklahoma entrepreneurs and small business owners. Increase economic growth, employment, and economic vitality through a statewide network of service providers at other universities, colleges, technology centers, and economic development entities. This grant requires a 50% match of in-kind, donations.

**PI-STEM** **Summer**  
**Academy** ..... **\$21,000**

Source: Oklahoma State Regents For Higher Education  
Date: March 1, 2023 – February 28, 2024  
Director(s): Drs. Kate Shannon, Caleb Smith, and Michael Hardy

Enhance participants’ understanding of, ability to apply, motivation to learn about and increase appreciation of STEM content, and increase participants’ self-efficacy as STEM problem solvers and practitioners. Participants, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade, explore and solve real-world STEM problems such as water rocket and balloon launching, environmental modeling and more.

**College First Year Initiative Program**..... **\$4,000**

Source: Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma  
Date: October 10, 2022 – September 30, 2023  
Director(s): Mark Shields, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs

Fund a regular student worker to assist with the Choctaw First Year Initiative Program and the Center for Student Success.

**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)** ..... **\$6,585,487**

Source: Federal subaward via Oklahoma Health Care Workforce Training Commission  
Date: September 1, 2022 to October 02, 2026  
Director(s): Dennis Westman, Vice President of Business Affairs

Renovation to Science and Biology buildings to support the launch of a successful Allied Health program, which includes the Murray State Nursing program. This will help provide trained healthcare workers in our community that can respond to pandemics.

Sincerely,



Thomas W. Newsom  
President





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12 February 2023

Regional University System of Oklahoma  
M.C. Connors Building  
2501 N. Lincoln Blvd. Ste. 221  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Dear Chair Reilly and Members of the Board:

The recommendations of East Central University are as follows:

I. PERSONNEL

A. ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

**Mr. Darrell Morrison** has been appointed Vice President for Administration and Finance / Chief Financial Officer effective 4 April 2023. His annual salary will be \$150,000.

Mr. Morrison holds a master's degree in business administration from the University of Arkansas – Little Rock and a bachelor of science in business administration with a specialization in accounting from Henderson State University. He has over 20 years of higher education experience in various leadership roles, including his current position at Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph, Missouri, as the Vice President for Finance and Administration / Chief Financial Officer.

B. RETIREMENT WITH EMERITUS RESOLUTION

Dr. Usha Fountain, Professor, Department of Psychology, has announced her retirement effective 1 July 2023. Dr. Fountain began employment at ECU in 2001.

II. REQUESTS FOR CONTRACTS

None to report at this time.

III. GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

*None to report at this time.*

IV. PURCHASES

The following purchases are being made in accordance with Board policy (over \$50,000 and under \$150,000):

*None to report at this time.*

Request approval to make the following purchases which will be made in accordance with Board policy (over \$150,000):

*None to report at this time.*

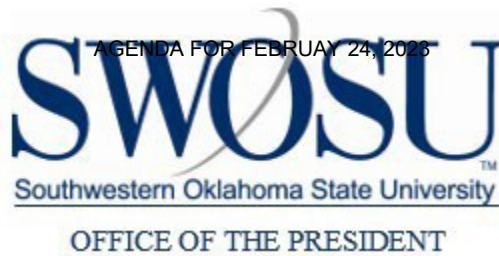
Respectfully submitted,



Wendell L. Godwin  
President

### Academic Service Fees

Changes:	Per	Current	Proposed	Revenue +/-	Total Revenue
<b>International Student Application Fee (undergraduate) – Other Special Fee</b>	Application	\$ 20.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 104,000	\$ 120,000
<p>This fee is intended to support the processing of undergraduate international student applications in the Office of International Student Services and the Office of Admissions, which includes appropriate training and credentialing specific to dealing to navigational federal regulations related to admission of foreign nationals. According to the Office of International Student Services, East Central University receives ~800+ applications from undergraduate students annually. The increased fee will help to guarantee sufficient funds to support these operations. Furthermore, a review of our international applications process has revealed that the current low application fee has encouraged numerous applications from those with no real intent to enroll at ECU, which has overburdened staff in offices that handle international admissions. The higher application fee will help ensure applicants have a serious intent to enroll at ECU.</p>					
<b>International Student Application Fee (graduate) – Other Special Fee</b>	Application	\$ 0.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
<p>East Central University does not currently charge an application fee for international graduate students. This fee is intended to support the processing of undergraduate international student applications in the Office of International Student Services and the Office of Graduate Studies, which includes appropriate training and credentialing specific to dealing to navigational federal regulations related to admission of foreign nationals. According to the Office of International Student Services, East Central University receives ~200+ applications from graduate students annually. Consistent with the undergraduate fee, this free will help to guarantee sufficient funds to support these operations and to ensure applicants have a serious intent to enroll at ECU.</p>					
<b>Honors Program Enhancement – Special Instruction Fee</b>	Per Credit Hour	\$ 0.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 4,450	\$ 4,450
<p>This new fee will help support the enhanced educational and cocurricular activities for Honors Program students and provide funding for faculty who supervise thesis and honors projects. The Honors Student Association is one of the most active student groups on campus, hosting a number of special events throughout the academic year, and program participants have the opportunity to join group trips to cities throughout Oklahoma and the United States. In addition, upper-division Honors students work with one-on-one with professors in their majors to complete individualized projects and theses. The number of students in the Honors Program has steadily increased over the years, and this fee will help offset the additional expense of this high-impact programming.</p>					



February 7, 2023

Regional University System of Oklahoma  
Landmark Towers  
3555 NW 58th Street, Suite 320  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Dear Board Members:

The agenda items of Southwestern Oklahoma State University are as follows:

**I. PERSONNEL**

**A. RETIREMENTS**

Dr. **David Bessinger** will retire as of May 1, 2023.

Dr. **Scott Long** will retire as of July 31, 2023.

**B. NEW HIRES**

Dr. **Rosalina Nikolai** has been appointed to a voluntary one-year temporary position as Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice in the College of Pharmacy at Southwestern Oklahoma State University effective January 9, 2023. She will be involved in precepting College of Pharmacy students in the experiential program. Her appointment will be for twelve-months. Dr. Nikolai earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Kansas.

**II. GRANTS, CONTRACTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

Since January 9, 2023, the SWOSU Office of Sponsored Programs has received confirmation of 2 *grant awards* for a total amount of **\$9,087**. A profile of the award is presented below. I am available if you should have any questions.

**A. 2023 SWOSU Flute Day.....\$4,587**

The **Kirkpatrick Foundation** has awarded the grant, entitled, “2023 SWOSU Flute Day” in the amount of \$4,587. The primary function of this award is Community Service. The principal investigator is **Dr. Shelley Martinson**.

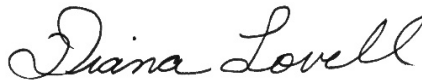
**B. Open Educational Resources Faculty Grant Initiative .....\$4,500**

The OSRHE has awarded the grant, entitled, “Open Educational Resources Faculty Grant Initiative” in the amount of \$4,500. The primary function of this award is Academic Service. The principal investigator is **Dr. Tugba Sevin**.

**III. Other Special Fees Request**

Name of Fee	Type of Fee	Course Number(s)	Assessed	New Fee	Fee \$ Current	Fee \$ Proposed	Fee \$ Change	Fee % Change	New Revenue FY24	Total Revenue FY24
Graduation Fee	Other Special Fee	NA	Per use	Yes	0.00	100.00	100.00	100%	80,000	80,000
<p>SWOSU requests approval to assess students a Graduation fee of \$100 to be charged at the time students make application to graduate. This fee is to offset the cost of graduation expenses including, but not limited to, graduation regalia, diploma covers and other costs. SWOSU has always supplied graduation regalia free to the graduates and the cost continues to escalate. This fee should generate enough revenue to cover the cost of regalia, programs, and other costs associated with graduation.</p>										

Respectfully submitted,



Diana Lovell  
 President

FY22 Business Metrics

Metric		NACUBO Target	ECU	NSU	NWOSU	SEOSU	SWOSU	UCO	Combined Average	
Data Date	Measures of Resource Sufficiency and Flexibility								Current Year	Prior year
June 30	Primary reserve (with Foundation) (Unrestricted + Expendable Net Assets + Net Pension Liability & Related Deferrals/Total Expenses)	0.40	0.44	0.47	0.37	0.48	0.75	0.54	0.51	0.50
June 30	Days of cash on hand (Total cash+cash equivalents+short term investments/Daily Op Expense Avg (365 days))	> 80	171.69	280.15	167.82	83.46	96	108.33	151.24	134.32
June 30	Current ratio (Total Current Assets/Total Current Liabilities)	> 2	5.26	7.64	5.88	1.99	2.39	4.32	4.58	3.98
June 30	Unrestricted funds ratio (Unrestricted net assets/Total net assets)	none	26.00%	13.00%	30.00%	30.16%	16.24%	29.22%	24.10%	22.29%
Measures of Resource Management, including debt										
June 30	CFI (with Foundation)	> 2	1.06	3.50	2.76	2.40	6.50	2.94	3.19	4.01
June 30	Viability (with Foundation) (Unrestricted + Expendable Net Assets + Net Pension Liability & Related Deferrals/Total Long-term Debt (Bonds, Notes & Capital Leases)	none	0.88	1.67	3.33	1.53	4.13	0.96	2.08	1.79
June 30	Debt burden (Annual Principal and Interest Payments (debt service)/(Operating expenses + Non-Operating expenses) – Depreciation expense + Principal payments made on Capital Debt and Leases	< 7 %	5.97%	4.11%	1.00%	2.28%	2.20%	6.09%	3.61%	3.38%
Measures of Asset Performance and Management										
June 30	Return on total net assets (with Foundation) (Change in Total Net Assets + Net Pension Liability & Related Deferrals (CY – PY)/Total Net Assets + Net Pension Liability & Related Deferrals (beginning of year)	3% to 4%	-1.54%	4.92%	15.15%	-1.90%	8.85%	3.00%	4.75%	8.32%
Measures of Operating Performance										
June 30	Net operating revenues (with Foundation) (Operating income (loss) + net Nonoperating revenues (expenses)/Operating revenues + Nonoperating revenues)	2% to 4%	-1.15%	5.01%	16.22%	0.44%	2.72%	5.28%	4.75%	5.46%
June 30	Gross tuition contribution ratio (LY) (Gross student tuition & mandatory fees + academic service fees/Revised Operating Expense Budget)	< 60%	40.05%	53.00%	50.00%	68.86%	57.00%	60.90%	54.97%	65.17%
June 30	State appropriations contribution ratio (LY) (State App Operating + State App Other/Revised Operating Expense Budget)	none	34.65%	32.00%	26.00%	21.17%	26.00%	30.20%	28.34%	29.20%
June 30	Budget impact of credit hour production (Increase or loss of revenue due to change in enrollment from budget to actual)	over (under)	(\$1,154,182)	(\$2,829,118)	(\$137,301)	\$ (1,056,734)	(\$335,700)	(\$2,239,344)	(\$1,292,063)	\$345,178



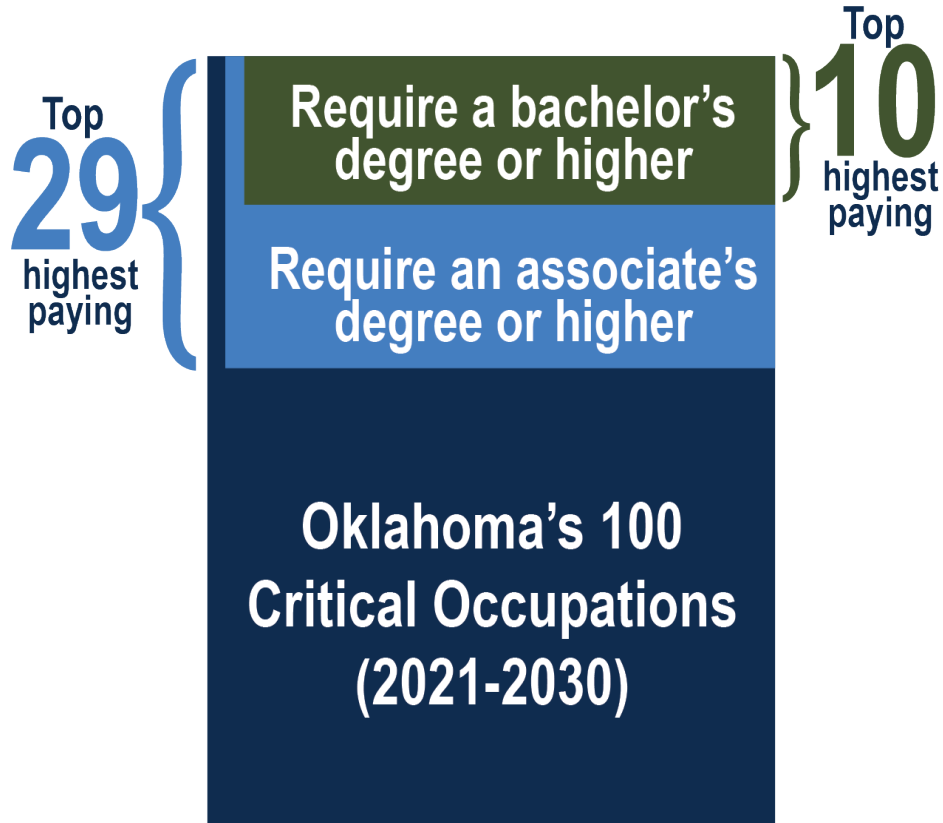
# STATE SYSTEM UPDATE

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Chancellor Allison D. Garrett  
February 24, 2023



# OKLAHOMA'S 100 CRITICAL OCCUPATIONS



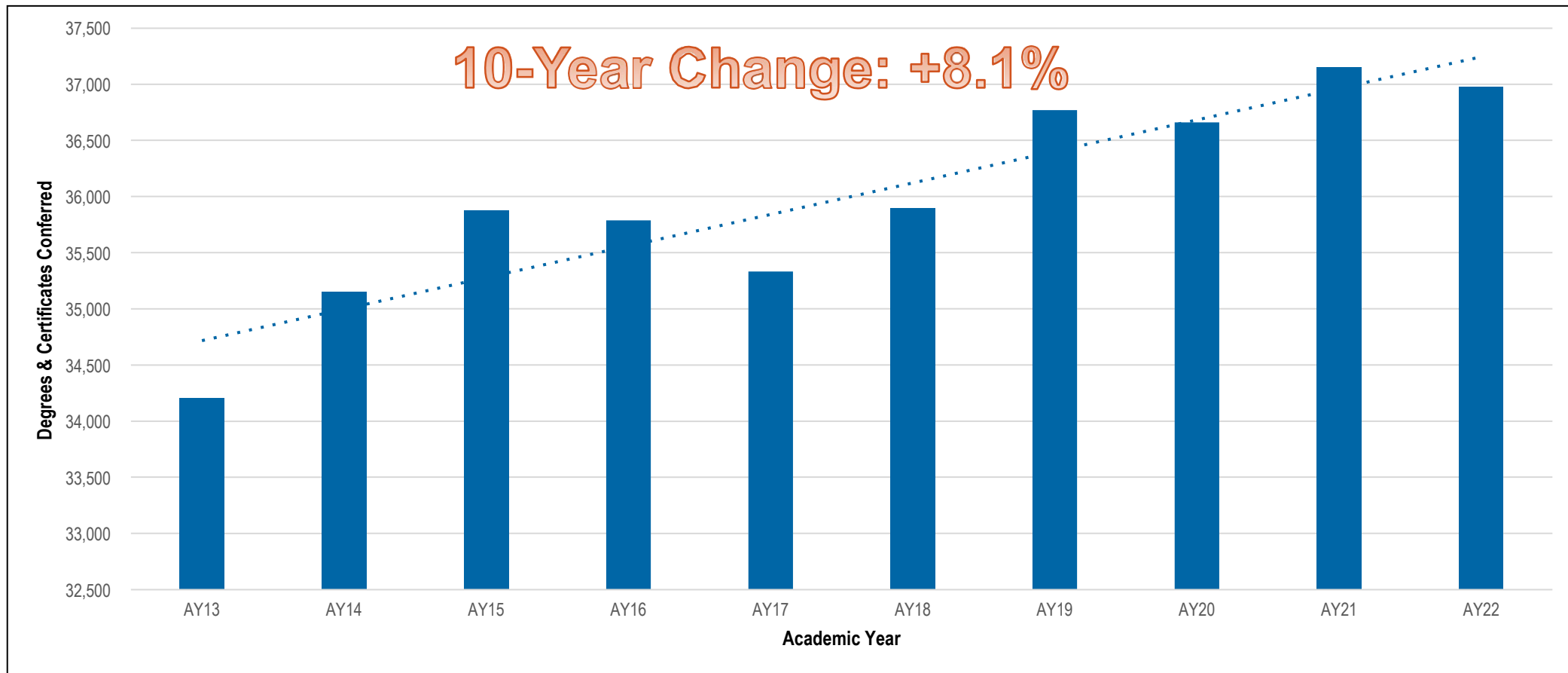
## According to Oklahoma Works:

- The **majority of Oklahoma's critical occupations** in 2030 will require an associate's degree or higher
- Oklahoma's **top 29 highest paying critical occupations** in 2030 will require an associate's degree or higher
- **8 of the top 10 fastest growing critical occupations** in 2030 will require an associate's degree or higher





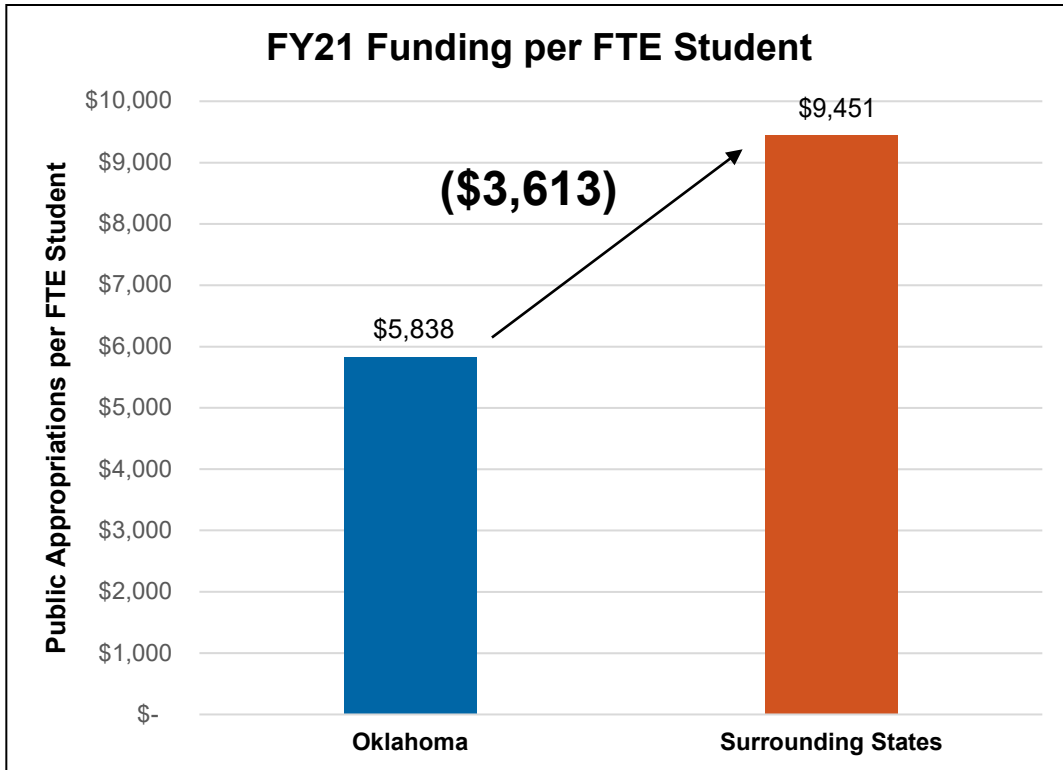
# DEGREES CONFERRED



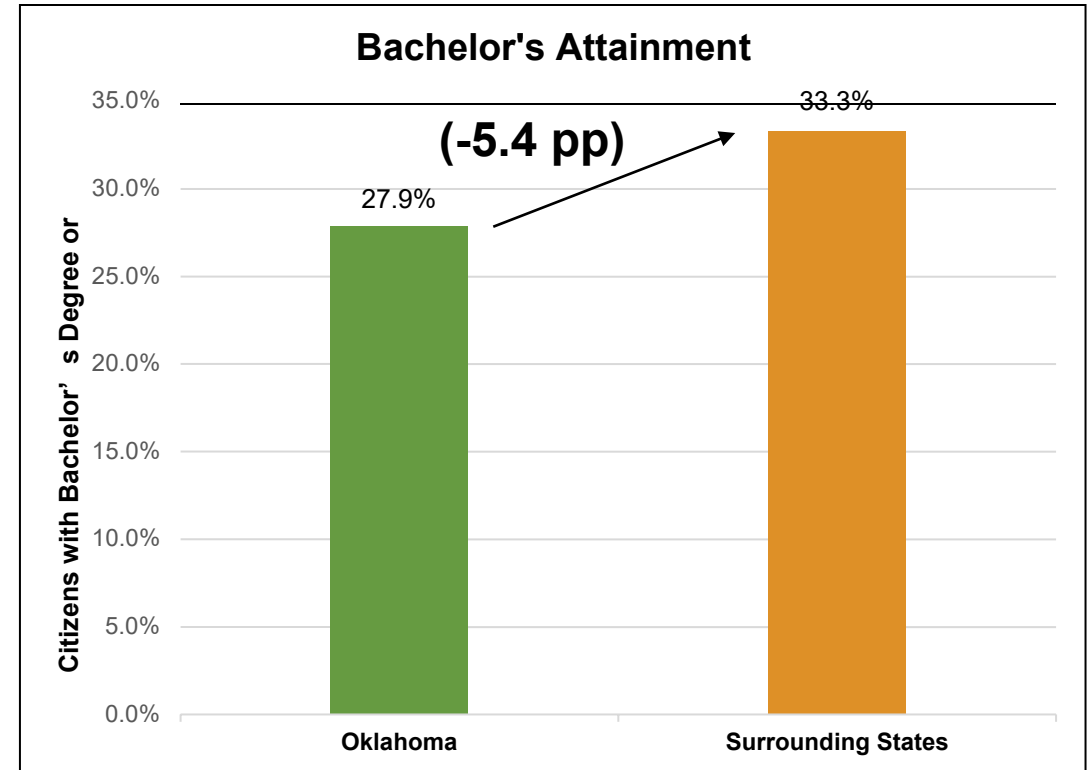
SOURCE: OSRHE, Unitized Data System.



# SURROUNDING STATE COMPARISON



Source: State Higher Education Executive Officers Association FY21 State Higher Education Finance Report  
Note: Surrounding states include CO, MO, KS, AR, NM, TX



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 ACS 1-Year Estimates  
Note: Surrounding states include CO, MO, KS, AR, NM, TX



# BLUEPRINT 2030:

*Innovating and Elevating Oklahoma Higher Education for Tomorrow's Workforce*





# BACKGROUND

In May 2022, State Regents' Chair Jeffrey W. Hickman appointed a committee to develop a new Strategic Plan to guide the Oklahoma state system of higher education through 2030. The Strategic Planning Committee was charged to develop specific goals to:

- Increase Oklahoma's educational attainment;
- Align higher education with workforce needs; and
- Leverage system resources effectively and efficiently.



# STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

State Regents	Community Colleges	Regional Universities	Research Universities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ State Regent Courtney Warmington, Chair</li><li>➤ State Regent Ann Holloway</li><li>➤ State Regent Jack Sherry</li><li>➤ State Regent Michael C. Turpen</li><li>➤ Chancellor Allison D. Garrett</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ President Jay Falkner, Carl Albert State College</li><li>➤ President Kyle Stafford, Northeastern Oklahoma A&amp;M College</li><li>➤ President Leigh Goodson, Tulsa Community College</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ President John McArthur, Cameron University</li><li>➤ President Kent Smith, Langston University</li><li>➤ President Diana Lovell, Southwestern Oklahoma State University</li><li>➤ President Thomas Newsom, Southeastern Oklahoma State University</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Sean Burrage, Vice President for Executive Affairs, University of Oklahoma (designee for President Joe Harroz)</li><li>➤ Jerome Loughridge, Senior Vice President for Operations, Oklahoma State University (designee for President Kayse Shrum)</li></ul>



# STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS

Tasks	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Appointment of SPC members	█									
Initial kick-off meeting		█								
Subcommittee meetings and research		█	█	█	█	█				
Stakeholder engagement					█	█	█	█	█	
Draft recommendations						█	█			
Review and refine strategic plan							█	█	█	
Present to State Regents										█



# FUNDAMENTAL GOALS

PRODUCE WORKFORCE-READY GRADUATES



GROW THE STUDENT PIPELINE



FOCUS ON STUDENT SUCCESS



IMPROVE SYSTEM EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS



## PRODUCE WORKFORCE-READY GRADUATES



1. Align higher education programs with workforce demand, with a goal to produce 100,000 degrees and other credentials in STEM and critical occupations by 2030.
2. Develop a robust statewide communication and outreach plan to engage employers.
3. Connect students to the workforce.



## GROW THE STUDENT PIPELINE



4. Collaborate with K-12 and CareerTech to strengthen students' college preparation.
5. Improve college awareness and increase student enrollment 10% by 2030.
6. Promote college access and affordability through increased availability of grants, scholarships, waivers, and tuition reimbursement.
7. Remove administrative barriers to enrollment.

## FOCUS ON STUDENT SUCCESS



8. Improve student retention and graduation through implementation of evidence-informed student support practices.
9. Promote timely credential completion.
10. Re-engage and support adult learners and promote lifelong learning opportunities.
11. Close achievement gaps in enrollment, retention and graduation.
12. Strengthen online education offerings and use digital tools to augment the traditional learning experience.

## IMPROVE SYSTEM EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS



13. Enhance long-term institutional sustainability through increased partnerships and collaborations.
14. Increase student access and manage educational costs through investments in technology and diversification of revenue sources.
15. Incentivize excellence and innovation.
16. Promote transparency, accountability and responsible stewardship.

# NEXT STEPS

Implementing the recommendations in *Blueprint 2030* requires dedicated action and focused resources. Operationalizing the Strategic Plan over the next several years includes these steps:



Identify key performance indicators for each Strategic Plan recommendation



Develop Gantt charts and budgets for each recommendation



Launch public dashboards to promote transparency and accountability



Continually evaluate and monitor progress toward achievement of recommendations

# 2023



OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS  
FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

*Improving our future by degrees*



# FUNDING REQUEST

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

<b>FY 2024 TOTAL BUDGET NEED .....</b>	<b>\$985,997,882</b>
• \$ Difference from FY 2023 State Appropriation (as adjusted)	\$105,091,971
• % Difference from FY 2023 State Appropriation (as adjusted)	11.9%



# BUDGET DETAIL

<b>1. Legislative Initiatives and Programming</b>	<b>\$22,960,474</b>
A. SB 1418 National Guard Scholarship Program	\$ 3,500,000
B. HB 3564 Oklahoma Future Teacher Scholarship Incentive Program	\$17,378,500
C. Concurrent Enrollment for All High School Seniors and Juniors	\$ 2,081,974
<b>2. Critical Workforce Needs</b>	<b>\$26,325,000</b>
A. Healthcare Workforce Critical Needs	\$20,000,000
i. Nursing Direct Instruction and Workforce Needs Response	\$10,000,000
ii. Medical Residents and Other Professional Degrees	\$10,000,000
B. STEM-Related Fields	\$ 5,750,000
C. Adult Degree Completion Student Aid Initiatives	\$ 575,000
<b>3. Institutional Excellence and Student Success</b>	<b>\$49,306,497</b>
A. Performance-Based Allocations	\$36,706,497
B. Student Support/Career Services Reinvestment	\$ 5,000,000
C. Institution Collaboration and Consolidation Assistance Fund	\$ 5,000,000
D. OSRHE Institutional Shared Services Initiative	\$ 600,000
E. OSRHE Data Analytics, Digital Transformation, and Cybersecurity	\$ 2,000,000
<b>4. Capital Funding for Campus Security and Obsolete Structure Demolition</b>	<b>\$ 6,500,000</b>



# KEY LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

## Expand Teacher Ed Pipeline



## Universal FAFSA Completion



## Strengthen Oklahoma's Promise





# QUESTIONS?

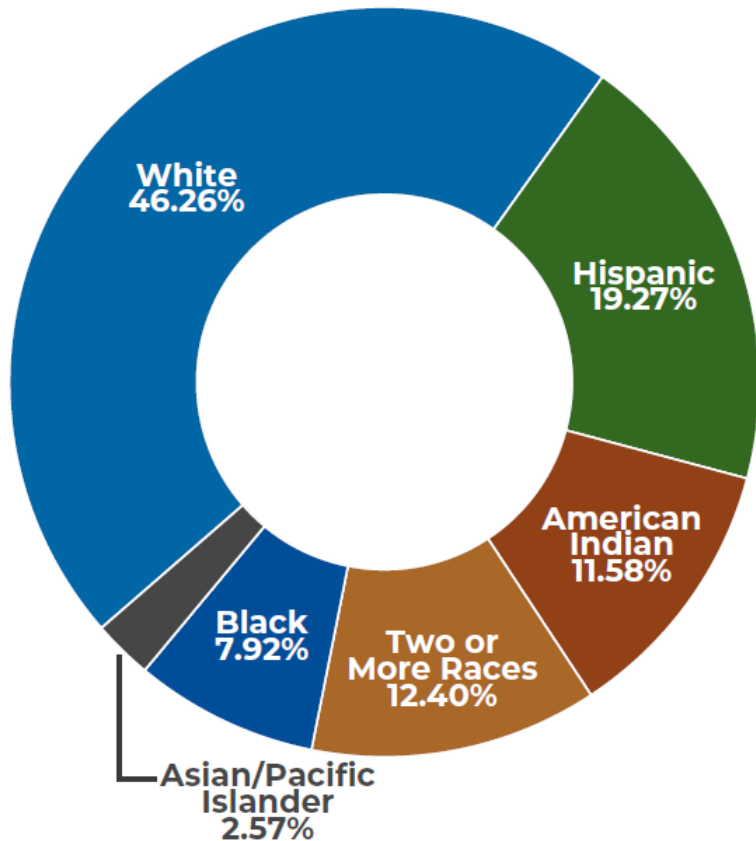
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# Student Pipeline: K-12 Student Demographics

**Student Enrollment**  
by Race/Ethnicity



## Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

### 5<sup>th</sup> in U.S.



# Student Pipeline: College Readiness

## HIGH SCHOOL INDICATORS

**10%**



met all 4 ACT college-readiness benchmarks

**6%**



met ACT STEM benchmark

### Average ACT Composite Scores

Oklahoma  
Average

**17.9**

National  
Average

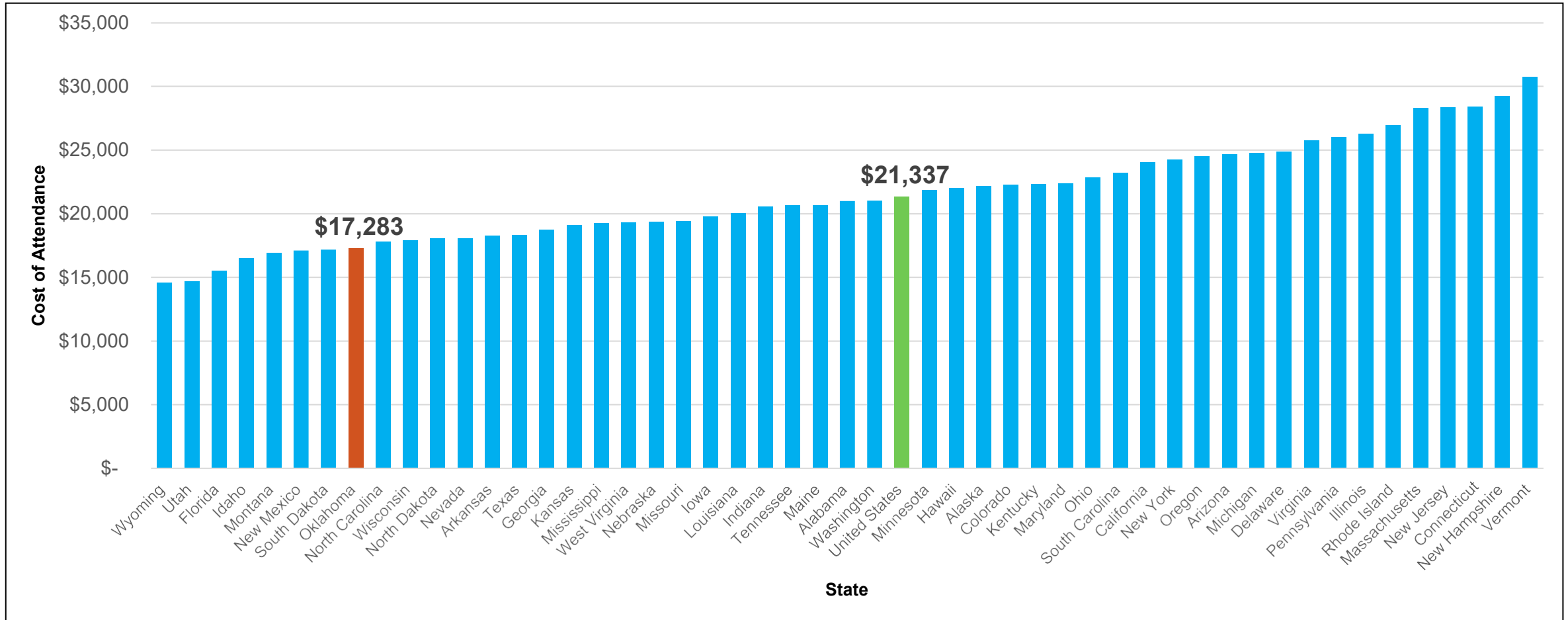
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SOURCE: ACT Profile Report – Oklahoma Graduating Class 2022 (Public High Schools)



# 8<sup>TH</sup> LOWEST COST OF ATTENDANCE

## AVERAGE ANNUAL UNDERGRADUATE CHARGE AT PUBLIC 4-YEAR INSTITUTIONS - 2021

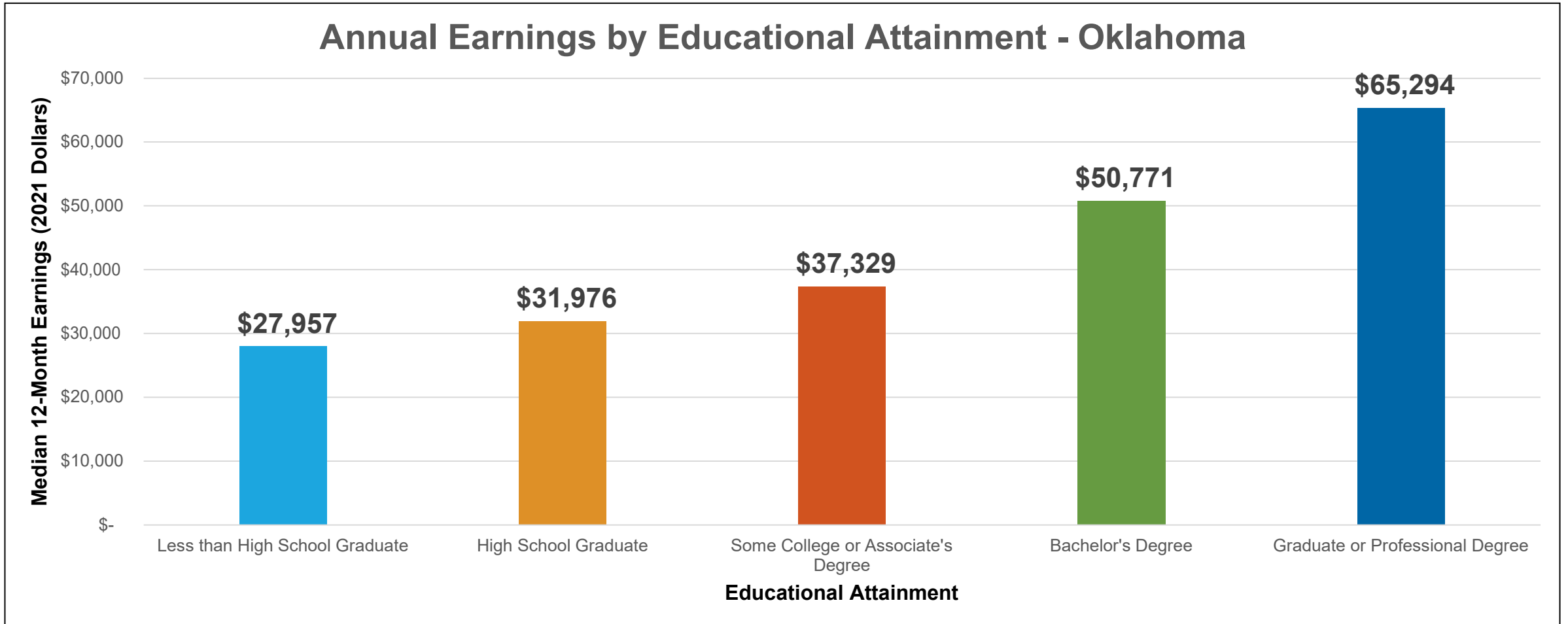


SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), Fall 2019 and Fall 2020, Institutional Characteristics component; and Spring 2020 and Spring 2021, Fall Enrollment component. (This table was prepared February 2022.)

Note: Average charges are for full-time equivalent students and include in-state tuition, fees, room and board.



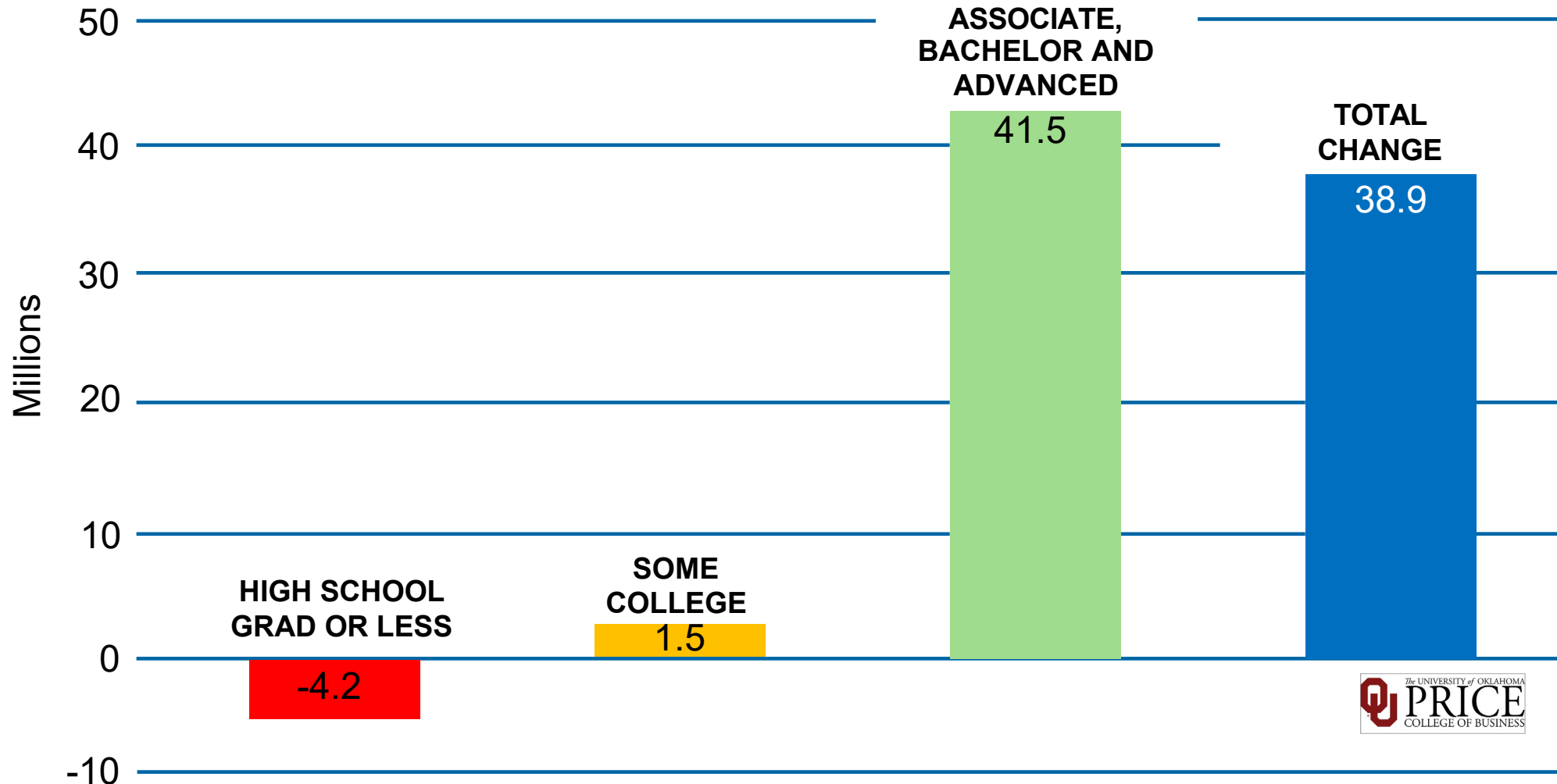
# A College Degree Pays More...



SOURCE: US Census Bureau, 2021 ACS 1-Year Estimates



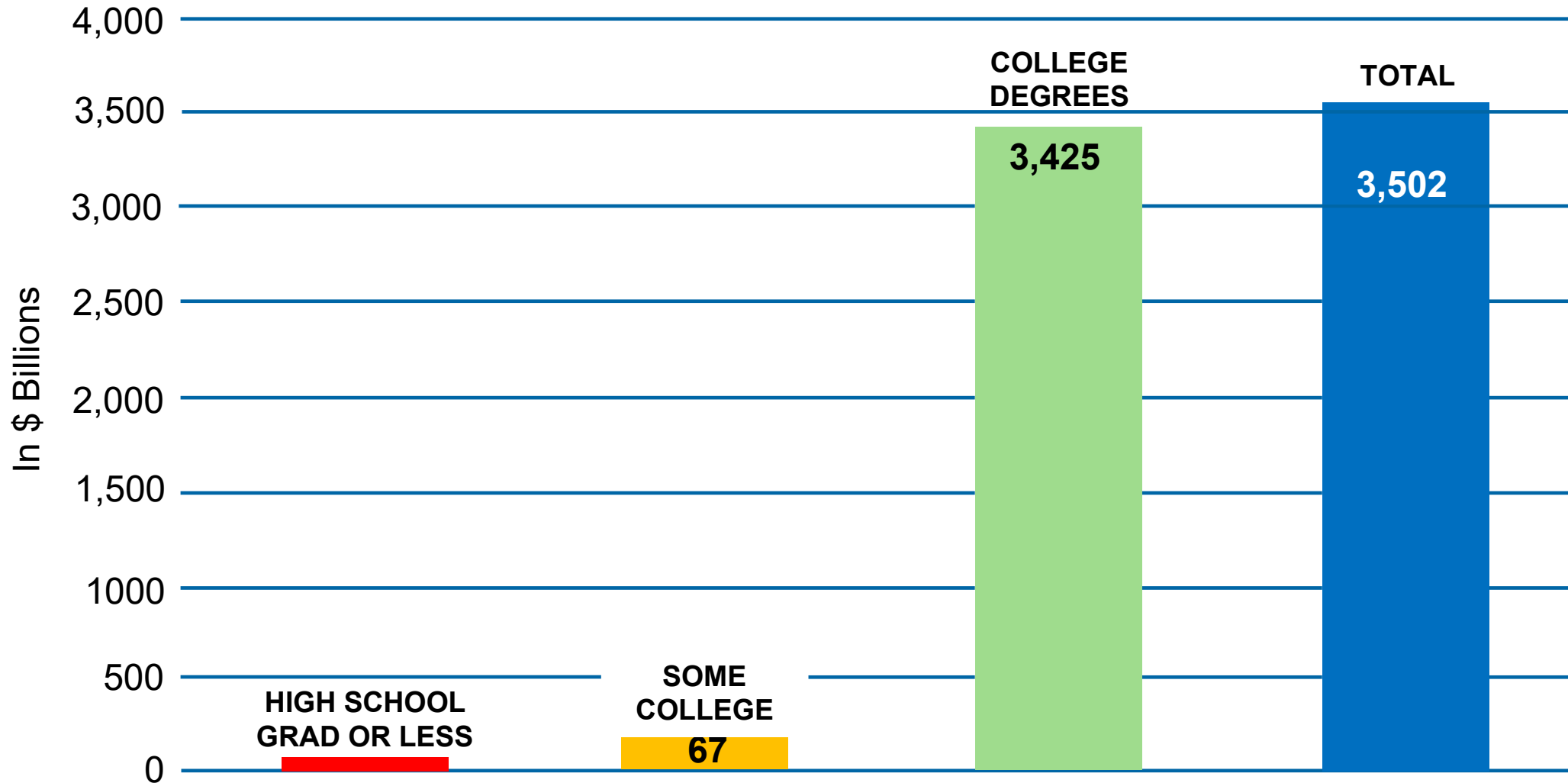
# U.S. EMPLOYMENT CHANGE BY MAJOR-GROUP EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT 25+ YEARS OF AGE, FROM 1992-2022



SOURCE: Robert C. Dauffenbach, Professor Emeritus, OU Price College of Business.



# REAL EARNINGS CHANGE BY MAJOR-GROUP EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT: 18+ YEARS OF AGE, FROM 1994-2020



SOURCE: Robert C. Dauffenbach, Professor Emeritus, OU Price College of Business.

# CURRENT PERFORMANCE FUNDING FORMULA – OVERVIEW

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Regional University System of Oklahoma

February 2023

# Performance Funding Formula Development Timeline

- Special Funding Formula Taskforce made final recommendations to the Council of Presidents on January 11, 2012. The Council of Presidents voted adoption of the recommendations with 22 to 3 vote.
- The formula recommendations were presented to the State Regents on February 29, 2012.
- Final approval was given by the State Regents on April 19, 2012.
- The newly adopted Performance Funding Formula was utilized for the first time in the FY2013 allocations to institutions.



# Final Performance Funding Model Recommendations

- Funding Formula changes:

1. Peer factors based on other states' funding levels will be discontinued;
2. Performance factors will be calculated for the incentive and performance multiplier component;
3. Full credit on performance factors will be given to institutions that are eligible for equity adjustments;
4. Institutions are eligible for equity adjustments if they are below one standard deviation of their tier or system per student FTE average.
5. Each fiscal year, a minimum of ten percent (10%) of all new funds for allocation to institutions shall be set aside to go toward equity adjustments;
6. Institutions will not be penalized for deleting or discontinuing programs;
7. Institutional base budgets shall be held harmless as new funds are allocated

- 1. Degrees and Certificates Conferred – (non-cohort total of degrees and certificates conferred by an institutions in the summer, fall and spring) This element measures improvement on a campus. Competition exists by the comparison of an institution's number of degrees and certificates conferred compared to number in the previous year.
- 2. First-year retention – first-time, full-time retention from freshman to sophomore year. This element measures improvement on a campus. Competition exists by the comparison of an institution's first year retention compared to retention in the previous year.
- 3. First-year retention of Pell Students – Subset of the group above, freshman to sophomores, but receiving Pell grants. This measures improvement on a campus. Competition exists by the comparison of an institution's Pell retention compared to Pell retention in the previous year.
- 4. Gateway course 24 credit-hour completion in first academic year – Calculated from UDS data submissions from campuses for student who complete 24 college level credit hours with the first summer, fall and spring academic year. – No remedial credit hours are included.

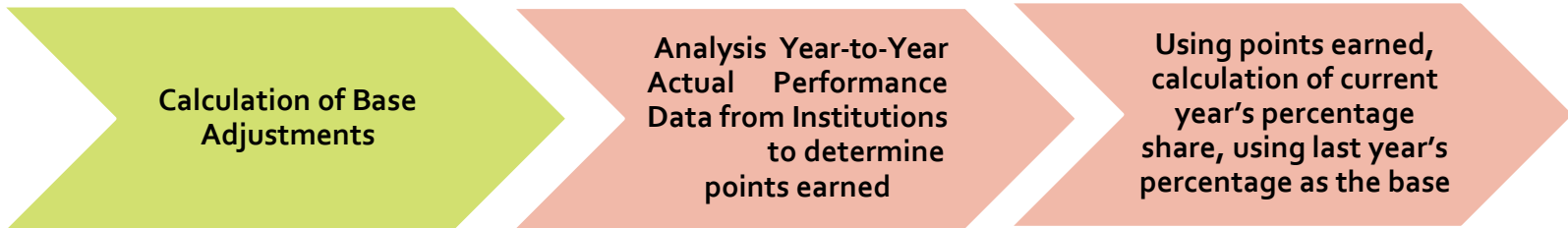
# Performance Measures Metrics -Defined

- 5. Complete College America Target – Measures the campus CCA goal reached each year. If only part of the target is reached then that percentage would be applied to the weight of this element. (Ex: target is 100 degrees and actual was 80 degrees results in 80% of the weight for this element.) If a campus exceeds their target the excess can be banked for the next academic year. A year-to-year decline would result in zero weight for this factor.
- 6. Graduation and Two-year Progression – Graduation performance is calculated by taking the number of FTE undergraduate students in a given cohort and determining the number of FTE students who graduated within 150% of time. Calculations are made for undergraduates, associates, certificates and student transfers from a two-year to a four-year institutions. Undergraduates are calculated with a 6-year completion; associates with a 3 year completion and certificates with a 2 year completion.
- 7. Program Accreditation – credit for maintaining accreditation
- 8. College completion plan – part of the academic plan submitted annually and approved by OSRHE. Excluded as a criterion since FY-17.

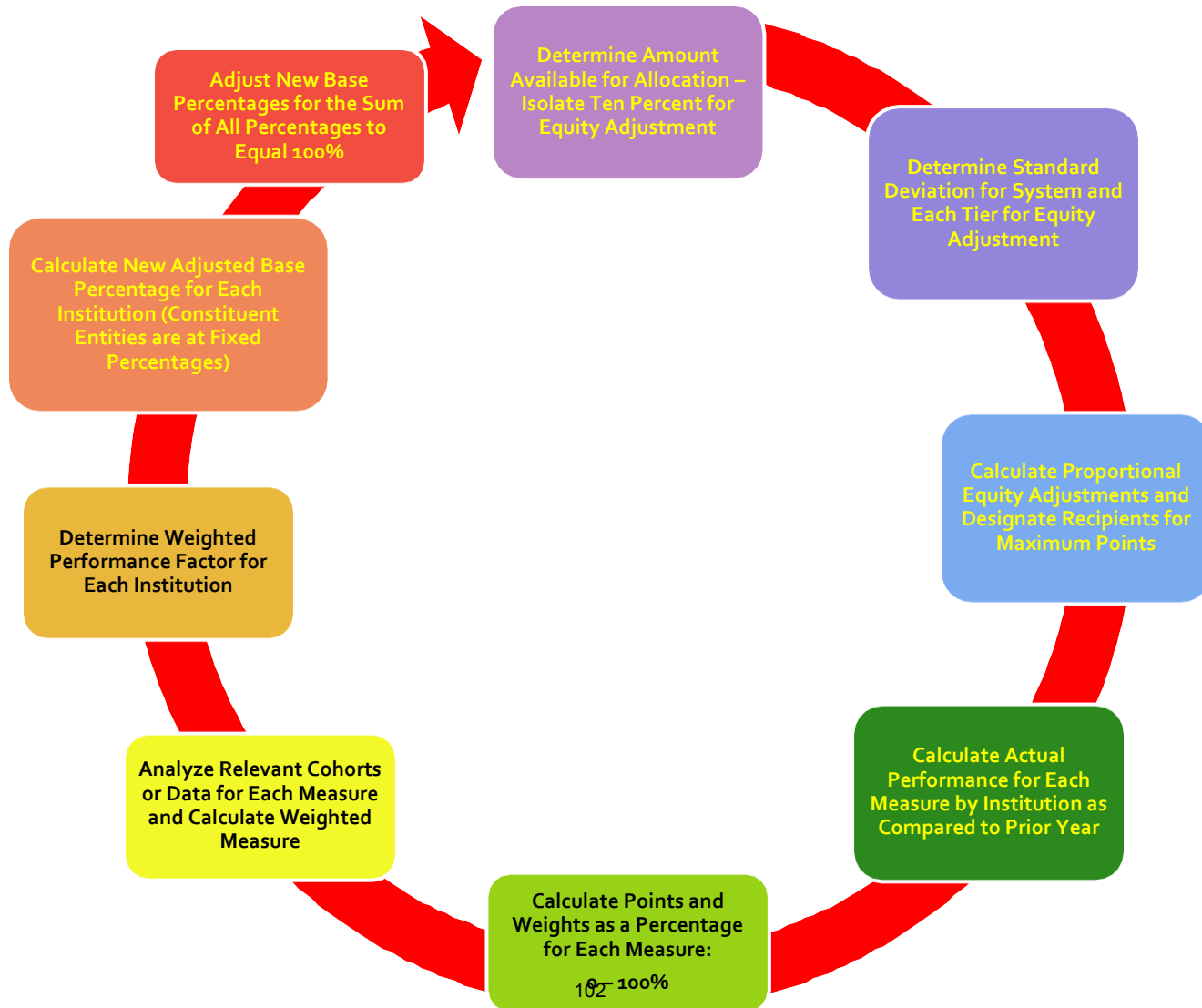
# Performance Multipliers and Weights

Measure	Multiplier Points	Weight
Graduation Rates	0.20	26.7%
CCA Degree Target Completion	0.15	20.0%
Number of Certificates/Degrees Conferred	0.15	20.0%
Gateway Course Passage within 24-hours	0.10	13.3%
First Year Retention Rates	0.05	6.7%
Pell Grant Retention from 1 <sup>st</sup> to 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	0.05	6.7%
Program Certification	0.05	6.7%
Campus Completion Academic Plan	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total Performance Factor</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

# Workflow Processes for Calculation of Institutional Percentages



# Progression of Activity to Determine Performance Allocation



# Total Institution Allocations: FY-12 – FY-23

