

REGIONAL UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF OKLAHOMA



AGENDA

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 27, 2023

9:00 am

**Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Skyview Suite
Pioneer Cellular Events Center
Weatherford, Oklahoma**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

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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 AND EXCUSE ABSENT REGENTS

III. CHAIR'S REPORT—Regent Connie Reilly

IV. CONSENT DOCKET

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, November 18, 2022

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS— (Attachment A, Pages 21- 32)

1. Southwestern Oklahoma State University (Page 21)

a. Program Modification Requests

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2. University of Central Oklahoma (Pages 22-24)

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b. New Certificates

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44. Certificate in Enterprise Analytics
45. Certificate in Licensed Professional Counseling

g. Program Suspensions

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2. Master of Education, Early Childhood Education

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24. Master of Public Administration in Public Administration – Public & Nonprofit Management
25. Master of Science in Forensic Science – Forensic Science
26. Master of Music in Music

3. Northeastern State University (Pages 25- 30)

a. Program/Certificate Modifications

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3. Leadership, M.S. (052)
4. Music Education, M.Ed. (062)
5. Special Education – Mild/Moderate Disabilities, B.S. Ed. (084)
6. Computer Science B.S. (100)
7. Instructional Leadership, M.Ed. (124)
8. Accounting and Financial Analysis, M.S. (130)
9. Social Work, M.S.W. (164)
10. Classroom Teaching, Graduate Certificate (173)
11. Leadership, Graduate Certificate (174)
12. Online Teaching, Graduate Certificate (176)
13. Public Relations, M.A. (186)
14. Teacher Education Programs

b. Program Suspensions

1. Communication, M.A. (106)
2. Professional Business Administration, MBA (157)

c. Electronic Delivery

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2. Special Education, B.S. Ed. (084)
3. Emergency Management and Planning Certificate (152)
4. Social Work, M.S.W. (164)

d. New Programs / Certificates

1. Advocacy and Justice Studies, B.S
2. Applied Geographic Information Systems, M.S.
3. Advanced Geographic Information Systems (GR certificate)
4. Crime and Society (GR certificate)
5. Criminal Justice Leadership and Administration (GR certificate)
6. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace (GR certificate)
7. Music, B.M.

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8. Natural Sciences (GR certificate)
9. Programming certificate
10. Public History certificate
11. Respiratory Care Therapy, B.S.R.C.T.
12. Strategic Human Resources (GR certificate)

4. Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Page 31)

a. Program Modification

1. Curriculum and Instruction, MED, 083, program requirement change

b. New Program

1. Cybersecurity, Certificate, 073
2. Animal Science Certificate, 086
3. Plant and Soil Science Certificate, 087

5. Southeastern Oklahoma State University (Page 32)

a. New Program

1. Master of Science in Healthcare Administration (122)
2. Graduate Certificate in Leadership (123)

b. Program modification

1. Bachelor of Science in Recreation (041)

V. REPORT OF RUSO COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

A. FACILITIES STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE –Regent Amy Anne Ford (Attachment B, Pages 34-38)

Report of the Facilities Stewardship, Thursday, January 26, 2023, 3:30 p.m., Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Memoria Student Center, Bonny Family Boardroom, Weatherford, Oklahoma.

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1. Southwestern Oklahoma State University (Page 34)

Approval Item:

a. Project: Fire Alarm System Update – Thomas P. Stafford Center

Project Description: SWOSU requests approval to award Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP a contract to update the fire alarm system in the Stafford Building, a 64,000 sf, three story building, built in 1996, which contains offices and classrooms. This upgrade includes equipment, installation, programming, testing, certification and one year of monitoring of the new system. This pricing is based on Oklahoma NASPO ValuePoint Contract #SW1048SG.

Requested Funding Approval: \$174,886

Congruent with Capital Master Plan: Yes

Funding Sources: Fund 600

2. University of Central Oklahoma (pages 35-36)

Approval Item:

a. Project 120-1010 University Center Renovations & Improvements

Project Description: Request approval to award contract, not to exceed \$120,000, to Trade Mechanical Contractors, for the purpose of installing new steam piping and new steam condensate line for the existing Nigh University Center dish machine. The lines will be 2" steel piping and requires accessing multiple occupied spaces within the building and structural attachment work.

Requested Funding Approval: \$120,000

Budget Breakdown: \$120,000 for construction

Vendor: Trade Mechanical Contractors (on state contract)

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes

Fund Source(s): Auxiliary (Campus Enterprises)

Information Items:

a. Project # 120-0027 Major Repairs and Deferred Maintenance

Project Description: Issued contract to state contract painter, Legacy Painting, in the amount of \$75,510 for interior painting of public spaces at the Wellness Center. Work includes gymnasium, workout areas, hallways, etc. Additional work at the entry rotunda will occur in summer 2023.

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Fund Source: Wellness Center Facility Fees

3. Northwestern Oklahoma State University (pages 37-38)

Approval Items:

a. Project #505-0005 Major Repairs and Renovations

Project Description: Northwestern requests permission to bid and award a contract to replace the flat roof on Percefull Fieldhouse covering approximately 7,900 square feet. The current modified bitumen asphalt membrane roof is more than 30 years old and is starting to experience leaks. The new roof will be a tapered insulation system for roof slope with a 60-mil thermoplastic membrane roofing system. Easley Associate Architect will coordinate the bid process.

Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$170,000 (including electrical repairs)

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan?: Yes

Revenue Source: School Land (Funds 600/650)

b. Project #505-0004 Modification of HVAC Systems

Project Description: Northwestern requests permission to bid and award a contract to replace and install two HVAC chillers on the Alva campus. The two units are located at the Education Center and Cunningham Hall. The unit at the Education Center is approximately 28 years old and the unit at Cunningham Hall is approximately 24 years old. Both units have exceeded their useful life. Easley Associate Architect will coordinate the bid process.

Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$230,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan?: Yes

Revenue Source: School Land (Funds 600/650)

B. AUDIT & FINANCE COMMITTEE—Chair, Regent Gary Parker

Report of the Audit & Finance Committee, Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 8:00 a.m., Virtually on Zoom.

1. Discussion and possible action to accept external audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.

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C. SYSTEM ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE—Chair, Regent Chris Van Denhende

Report of the System Advancement Committee, Thursday, January 26, 2023, 4:00 p.m., Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Memorial Student Center, Bonny Family Boardroom, Weatherford, Oklahoma

1. Discussion and status report on systemwide enrollment management consultation.
2. Discussion and possible action regarding Higher Ed Day 2023.
3. Discussion of RUSO Legislative Reception on February 2, 2023.
4. Discussion of pending legislation affecting RUSO.
5. Discussion and possible approval of process for RUSO to adopt a position on proposed legislation.

VI. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION — RUSO’s Laser Focus on Workforce — SWOSU President Diana Lovell

Discussion and possible action regarding presentation.

VII. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION — Senator Adam Pugh, Chair of Senate Education Committee

VIII. PRESIDENTS’ COUNCIL REPORT— President Thomas Newsom

IX. PRESIDENTS’ RECOMMENDATIONS

A. SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

(See attachment C, pages 40- 43)

1. **Personnel**
2. **Grants & Contracts:**

Total grants and contracts: \$ 163,751.00

3. **President’s Comments and Announcements**

B. UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA

(See attachment D, pages 44- 50)

1. **Personnel**

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2. Executive Summary of Awards

Total grants and contracts: \$ 798,368

3. Purchases for Approval

None to report at this time.

4. Informational Items from Purchasing

- a. R.K. Black Inc., residential student mail services for FY23.
Source:
Auxiliary.....\$118,109

- b. Hyland Software Inc., annual maintenance fees for OnBase software.
Source:
E&G.....\$60,013

- c. S2P Intermediate Holdings, Inc. annual licensing for the Jaggaer Enterprise Contract Management System.
Source:
Relief Funds.....\$50,470

- d. Ellucian Company LP, annual licensing for cloud hosted Ellucian CRM Recruit
Source:
Tech Fee.....\$84,034

- e. StarRez Inc. annual maintenance fee for housing software.
Source:
Auxiliary.....\$51,232

5. Campus Bookstore Partnership

Request permission to exercise the first year of five one-year contract extension renewal options with Barnes and Noble College to continue to serve as the campus bookstore. The current term ends June 30, 2023.

6. Ratification of Emergency Approval

Request ratification of emergency approval granted by Regent Reilly on December 9, 2022 to contract with Carnegie Dartlet LLC for an amount not to exceed \$425,000 for the implementation of the Slate customer relationship management (CRM) software approved by the Board at the November 18, 2022 meeting. The final estimate for implementation costs

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Welcome Center buildings. The cable manufacturer, CommScope, will certify and provide a 25-year warranty on both cabling and installation.

Amount: \$250,000 (was \$200,000)

Source of Funding: Master Lease, Deferred Maintenance

Vendor: To Be Determined

2. President's Comments and Announcements

D. EAST CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

(See attachment F, pages 53-54)

1. Personnel

1. Request for Contracts:

None to report.

2. Grants & Contracts

None to report.

4. Purchases:

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

Johnson Controls, \$89,752.25 for a boiler replacement (partial payment) at Pesagi Hall. (The future grand total is expected to be \$147,869.00)

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

None to report.

5. Voluntary Retirement Incentive

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In order to reduce expenses, ECU requests approval to roll-out a voluntary retirement incentive to faculty meeting certain eligibility requirements who agree to retire effective 1 July 2023.

6. President's Comments and Announcements

E. NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

(See attachment G, pages 55-57)

1. Personnel

2. Grants & Contracts

Total grants and contracts: \$ 283,407

3. Informational Items:

a. Summer Hours

Northwestern will continue summer work schedule implemented in 2002. Employees will work 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Summer hours will be in effect for 10 weeks; Monday, May 22nd thru Thursday, July 27th.

b. Oklahoma Panhandle State University

Northwestern updated our institutional profile and removed Oklahoma Panhandle State University as an additional location for academic offerings. This will be reflected in our next institutional update for the Higher Learning Commission this spring.

4. President's Comments and Announcements

F. NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

(See attachment H, pages 58- 60)

1. Personnel

2. President's Comments and Announcements

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X. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Sheridan McCaffree

XI. RESOLUTION FOR PRESIDENT NEUHOLD- RAVIKUMAR

XII. REGENTS' COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

2. Discussion regarding the employment of the President of Northeastern State University.
3. Discussion regarding the employment of the President and the interim President of the University of Central Oklahoma
4. Discussion regarding the six-month evaluation review of the Presidents of Northwestern Oklahoma State University and East Central University.

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. Mark A. Pendergraft v. Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges ("RUSO"), David Misak, and Todd Thurman, United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma, Case# CIV 18-793 D.
- c. Mark A. Pendergraft v. Oklahoma Attorney General's Office State of Oklahoma, Lauren Ray-Morales, Dixie Coffey, Southwestern Oklahoma State University Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges, Charlie Babb, Shamus Moore, John Doe, and Jane Doe, Western District of Oklahoma, Case # CIV 22-985 J.

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- d. Dr. Rachel Tudor v. Marie Galindo, Ezra Young et al. and Ezra Young v. Dr. Rachel Tudor, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, and Regional University System of Oklahoma, Western District of Oklahoma, Case #CIV 22-480 C.
- e. 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.
- f. 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.
- g. 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.
- h. 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.
- i. 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.
- j. Terry Worcester v. East Central University, District Court of Pontotoc County Case #CJ-2019-37.
- k. Billy Elliott v. University of Central Oklahoma, District Court of Oklahoma County Case #CJ-2021-3586.
- l. Jane Roe v. The State of Oklahoma ex rel University of Central Oklahoma, Western District of Oklahoma, Case #CIV-22-237-SLP.
- m. 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.
- n. Jackson Shepherd and Mallory Scott et al. v. Regional University System of Oklahoma et al., District Court of Oklahoma County Case #CJ-20-2383.

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- o. 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
- p. Alan Scott Asher and Nancy Asher v. Northeastern State University and The Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges-Regional University System of Oklahoma, District Court of Wagoner County, Case #CJ 22-309
- q. Bidushi Sharma v. East Central University Foundation, Inc. and S&S Recovery, Inc., Justice Court Precinct 5, Travis County, Texas, Case #J5-CV-22-264978

Claims:

- a. Tort Claims pending with State Risk Management

None.

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. Mary Brown, OCR Docket #07132064 (“NSU”)
- b. Tony Hebblethwaite, OCR Docket #07212049 (“UCO”)

Miscellaneous Matters

None.

XV. RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION

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

- 5. Ratification of Emergency Approval of Dr. Andrew Benton’s

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UCO Interim President Contract.

6. Retain Higher Education Leadership Search for the NSU Presidential Search.
7. Retain Higher Education Leadership Search for the UCO Presidential Search.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

ATTACHMENTS TO AGENDA

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Attachment

A. Educational Excellence Committee.....20- 31

* 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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TO: Board of Regents of the
Regional University System of Oklahoma
Connie Reilly, Chair

FROM: Diana Lovell, President

DATE: January 13, 2023

SUBJECT: Program Modification Requests – January 13, 2023

Please place Southwestern Oklahoma State University on the agenda for the September 8, 2022, Board of Regents of the Regional University System of Oklahoma meeting regarding the following items:

- Program Modification requests for the following programs:
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Documents for these requests are attached. If you need additional information regarding these items, please let me know.

TO: Academic Affairs Committee Chair

FROM: Patti Neuhold-Ravikumar
President

DATE: December 22, 2022

SUBJECT: Academic Affairs Agenda Items – January 26-27, 2023

Please place the University of Central Oklahoma on the Academic Affairs Committee agenda for the January 26-27, 2023, Board of Regents meeting. We request approval of the following items:

New Programs

- Bachelor of Music, Musical Theatre
- Master of Science, Cybersecurity

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- Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice – General Criminal Justice
- Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice – Corrections
- Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice – Police
- Master of Public Administration in Public Administration – Public & Nonprofit Management
- Master of Science in Forensic Science – Forensic Science
- Master of Music in Music



NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
OFFICE *of the* PRESIDENT

DATE: January 11, 2023

TO: Educational Excellence Committee
Regional University System of Oklahoma

FROM: Steve Turner, President

SUBJECT: Academic Affairs Agenda Items

Northeastern State University requests approval for the following program / certificate modifications, program suspensions, electronic delivery of existing programs, and new program / certificate proposals.

Program / Certificate Modifications

Counseling, M.S. (019). Faculty propose removing the candidacy program admission requirement since the program uses ongoing Fitness to Practice evaluations for students throughout the program. This negates the need for a formal candidacy vote.

Health and Human Performance B.S. (040). Faculty propose modifying the Recreation and Leisure option from 21 prescribed hours to 21 hours from a guided list. Three courses will be added to the guided list including a new course, REC 4343 Interpretative Guide Services.

Leadership, M.S. (052). Faculty propose to add an option, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace. The option responds to increased interest in diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) content in both academia and in the workplace. The program will also modify the curriculum in the Leadership core, Training and Development option, and simplify program admission and candidacy requirements.

Music Education, M.Ed. (062). Faculty propose curriculum requirement changes that will lower the credit hours for the degree and update the curriculum. These changes are in line with NASM curriculum requirements.

Special Education – Mild/Moderate Disabilities, B.S. Ed. (084). Faculty propose changing the title of this program to simply special education to reflect state certification changes. Curriculum changes include changes to the core and both options.

Computer Science B.S. (100). Faculty propose modifying the required courses, moving ENGL 3083 Professional and Technical Writing to a guided elective and adding a new course, CS 4573 Advanced Programming.

Instructional Leadership, M.Ed. (124). Faculty propose changes the name of two options, Classroom Teaching and Online Teaching to Classroom Teaching and Learning and Online Teaching and Learning, respectively. Minor course changes to the professional education core and the curriculum specialization categories are also proposed.

Accounting and Financial Analysis, M.S. (130). Faculty propose to lower the program admission standard from 3.25 to 3.0. Faculty have determined that the lowering of the admission GPA will not negatively impact students' potential for success and will allow more students the opportunity to try.

Social Work, M.S.W. (164). Faculty propose degree requirement changes that clarify admission criteria for conditional acceptance and minimum course grade requirements. A non-substantive curriculum change will add a new course to the elective list.

Classroom Teaching, Graduate Certificate (173). The proposed name change reflects an option name change in the Instructional Leadership, MED program in which this certificate is embedded. The name change to Classroom Teaching and Learning will be consistent with the option name.

Leadership, Graduate Certificate (174). Faculty propose modifying one of the required courses which will facilitate more students finishing the certificate in a timely manner.

Online Teaching, Graduate Certificate (176). Proposed name change reflects an option name change in the Instructional Leadership MED program in which this certificate is embedded. The name change to Online Teaching and Learning will be consistent with the new option name. In addition, a minor course change is proposed.

Public Relations, M.A. (186). Faculty propose changing prefixes of current communication and media studies courses to Public Relations (PR) and to replace an existing course with a new course covering race, gender, and media.

Teacher Education Programs. Faculty request a change in Teacher Education Admission and Certification Policies for all teacher education programs listed in the proposal. The professional coursework minimum GPA of 2.5 will be removed while the existing minimum grade of C in all professional education will remain. The two other GPA requirements for 2.5 overall GPA and 2.5 in the content major will remain the same for accreditation purposes.

Program Suspensions

Communication, M.A. (106). In response to current data for student and employer demand, the Department of Communication and Media Studies began the process to implement the M.A. in Public Relations more than two years ago. The Public Relations, M.A. degree (186) began fall 2022, and the college and department anticipate the growth of the department will center on offering only the PR degree.

Professional Business Administration, MBA (157). This program was a face-to-face cohort program. Since Covid 19, enrollments have dropped. Faculty need time to rework and reintroduce the degree for today's digital students.

Electronic Delivery

Health and Human Performance, B.S. (040). Data suggest that more and more students enroll in online courses currently available, and 74% of surveyed students should offer more online courses. Faculty believe the availability of an online program will help with student retention and new student recruitment.

Special Education, B.S. Ed. (084). Students have been requesting an online SPED program for years as reported by both academic advisors and faculty mentors. The current enrollment numbers of the SPED program have declined for several reasons. One reason is caused by barriers that in-person courses bring for the majority of transfer, non-traditional students. Moving the NSU SPED program online would enable the program to address the high student demand while also addressing a vastly increasing SPED teacher shortage. Many of our students work full time, commute 1-2 hours, and/or have families. Students will have the opportunity to complete their internships in person at a location convenient to where they live. Due to flexible internship options, students are also able to keep their full-time jobs while interning.

Emergency Management and Planning Certificate (152). Offering the certificate online will allow employed practitioners to more easily arrange their students and should increase the number of certificate completers. Labor and employment projections continue to be positive for those prepared in emergency management and working in law enforcement, firefighting, and emergency operations for tribal, local, state, and national entities.

Social Work, M.S.W. (164). Results from an environmental scan and student survey found that 90% would be in favor of the online program to accommodate distance, family responsibilities, and work issues for students. The nature of social work often requires students to work irregular hours which impedes their abilities to take face-to-face courses. As remote learning options and telehealth become more prevalent, students believe that an online MSW program would help provide them with the skills and prepare them for these changes in service delivery.

New Programs / Certificates

Advocacy and Justice Studies, B.S. Faculty propose an interdisciplinary 30 credit hour major that will prepare students for career paths in non-profit agencies in the areas of humanitarian or environmental issues. and includes 15 hours of required courses and options in environmental advocacy, legal advocacy, and human rights advocacy.

Applied Geographic Information Systems, M.S. Faculty propose a 30-credit hour graduate program to support regional needs in public planning and services, agriculture, energy, natural resources, and other employers. The program would have two options: Sustainability and Professional Enhancement, which will allow students to tailor coursework to their particular employment field.

Advanced Geographic Information Systems (GR certificate). This 12-credit hour certificate will be embedded in the proposed Applied Geographic Information Systems M.S. programs. It will allow students to earn a credential alone or alongside their work in the master's program.

Crime and Society (GR certificate). Faculty propose a 12-credit hour certificate embedded in the Criminal Justice, M.S. program. Students select 4 courses from the required guided elective list.

Criminal Justice Leadership and Administration (GR certificate). Like the certificate above, this certificate would also be embedded in the Criminal Justice, M.S. program. It will prepare students to take leadership positions in law enforcement agencies, thus meeting a need caused by impending retirements of experienced personnel.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace (GR certificate). This 12-credit hour certificate will be embedded in existing Leadership, M.S. program. It is designed to empower students to foster diversity, equity, and inclusion in the organizations they lead.

Music, B.M. Faculty propose a bachelor of specialty degree to address accreditation standards from the National Association of Music (NASM). NSU's most recent accreditation visit emphasized the need to offer the proper degree type to match the professional level of preparation currently available in the Performance and Jazz and Commercial Music options of the Music, BA degree. The NASM Commission Action Report, dated July 6, 2022, and the Visitor's Report, dated November 15-16, 2021, note that the "institution states that these degrees [sic] are professional in nature." Both student learning outcomes and specific performance requirements reflect a professional intent. NASM noted that "there is a misalignment between the title of the degree(s) [sic] and NASM standards for purpose and content. It is a professional degree by purpose and content and should be titled as Bachelor of Music." The existing Music B.A. degree will be modified once this degree is in place. The modified degree will be an outlet for individuals who cannot meet the rigorous performance standards required by the B.M. degree but wish to continue with a music degree that can be paired with a minor such as business or psychology.

Natural Sciences (GR certificate). This 18-credit hour certificate will be embedded in the existing Natural Sciences, M.S. program. The certificate will provide students with a graduate-level multi-disciplinary science research experience, seminar presentations and course work to better prepare them for employment opportunities in industrial, or commercial labs. This certificate could also improve the chances of admission into pre-professional health programs. It could also serve community college instructors as a way to broaden their teaching content areas

Programming certificate. This 13-credit hour certificate will be embedded in the existing Computer Science, B.S. degree and provide a career-enhancement certificate for those currently employed or a stackable credential for computer science majors.

Public History certificate. This 12-credit hour certificate will be embedded in the existing History, B.A. degree. It will prepare completers for positions as historical interpreters, historic site directors, historical preservationists, and museum administrators.

Respiratory Care Therapy, B.S.R.C.T. Faculty propose a bachelor of specialty degree to address changes in entry-level employment requirements from associate to baccalaureate degrees. The degree would have two pathways, a traditional path and one that supports students who hold the AAS / Registered Respiratory Therapist credentials.

Strategic Human Resources (GR certificate). This 12-credit hour certificate will be embedded in the existing Business Administration, MBA program. The program's advisory board suggested the certificates to support employment opportunities for students.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Turner', with a large, sweeping horizontal stroke across the top.

Dr. Steve Turner
President

Enclosures

cc: Dr. Debbie Landry, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Pamela Fly, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date: January 9, 2023
To: Regional University System of Oklahoma
Board of Regents
From: Dr. Bo Hannaford, President
Re: Academic Affairs Agenda Item – January 26, 2023

Please place Northwestern Oklahoma State University on the agenda with an Academic Affairs Agenda Item for the January 26, 2023, meeting of the Regional University System of Oklahoma Board of Regents. We request approval of the following items:

Program Modification – Curriculum and Instruction, MED, 083, program requirement change

Embedded Certificate – New Program Request Form – Cybersecurity, Certificate, 073

Embedded Certificate – New Program Request Form – Animal Science Certificate, 086

Embedded Certificate – New Program Request Form – Plant and Soil Science Certificate, 087

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

BH:jr

January 10, 2023

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

RE: Educational Excellence Committee

Dear Board Members:

We are seeking approval for the following new programs.

Master of Science in Healthcare Administration (122) - New program. 8 New Courses, 33 total hours for the degree.

Graduate Certificate in Leadership (123) - New certificate. No new courses, 12 total hours.

We are also seeking approval of the following program modification.

Bachelor of Science in Recreation (041) – Add option in Communication Leadership. No new courses, no change in total hours.

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

Sincerely,



Thomas W. Newsom
President





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TO: Board of Regents of the
Regional University System of Oklahoma
Regent Amy Ford, Chair

FROM: Diana Lovell, President

DATE:

SUBJECT: Facilities Stewardship Committee Agenda Items
– January, 2023

Please place Southwestern Oklahoma State University on the Facilities Stewardship Committee agenda for the January, 2023, Board of Regents of the Regional University System of Oklahoma meeting regarding the following items:

- **Project: Fire Alarm System Update – Thomas P. Stafford Center**

Project Description:

SWOSU requests approval to award Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP a contract to update the fire alarm system in the Stafford Building, a 64,000 sf, three story building, built in 1996, which contains offices and classrooms. This upgrade includes equipment, installation, programming, testing, certification and one year of monitoring of the new system. This pricing is based on Oklahoma NASPO ValuePoint Contract #SW1048SG.

Requested Funding Approval: \$174,886

Congruent with Capital Master Plan: Yes

Funding Sources: Fund 600



Date: January 26-27, 2023

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

From: President Patti Neuhold-Ravikumar

University of Central Oklahoma January 2023 Facilities Stewardship Committee

1. Approval Items:

a. Project 120-1010 University Center Renovations & Improvements

Project Description: Request approval to award contract, not to exceed \$120,000, to Trade Mechanical Contractors, for the purpose of installing new steam piping and new steam condensate line for the existing Nigh University Center dish machine. The lines will be 2” steel piping and requires accessing multiple occupied spaces within the building and structural attachment work.

Requested Funding Approval: \$120,000

Budget Breakdown: \$120,000 for construction

Vendor: Trade Mechanical Contractors (on state contract)

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan: Yes

Fund Source(s): Auxiliary (Campus Enterprises)

2. Information Items:

a. Project # 120-0027 Major Repairs and Deferred Maintenance

Project Description: Issued contract to state contract painter, Legacy Painting, in the amount of \$75,510 for interior painting of public spaces at the Wellness Center. Work includes gymnasium, workout areas, hallways, etc. Additional work at the entry rotunda will occur in summer 2023.

Fund Source: Wellness Center Facility Fees



Date: January 11, 2023

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

From: Dr. Bo Hannaford, President

Re: Facilities Stewardship Committee Agenda Items – January 26, 2023

Please place Northwestern Oklahoma State University on the Facilities Stewardship Committee agenda for the January 26, 2023 meeting of the Regional University System of Oklahoma Board of Regents for the following items:

Project #505-0005 Major Repairs and Renovations

Project Description: Northwestern requests permission to bid and award a contract to replace the flat roof on Percefull Fieldhouse covering approximately 7,900 square feet. The current modified bitumen asphalt membrane roof is more than 30 years old and is starting to experiencing leaks. The new roof will be a tapered insulation system for roof slope with a 60-mil thermoplastic membrane roofing system. Easley Associate Architect will coordinate the bid process.

Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$170,000 (including electrical repairs)

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan?: Yes

Revenue Source: School Land (Funds 600/650)

Northwestern Oklahoma State University

Project #505-0004 Modification of HVAC Systems

Project Description: Northwestern requests permission to bid and award a contract to replace and install two HVAC chillers on the Alva campus. The two units are located at the Education Center and Cunningham Hall. The unit at the Education Center is approximately 28 years old and the unit at Cunningham Hall is approximately 24 years old. Both units have exceeded their useful life. Easley Associate Architect will coordinate the bid process.

Requested Funding Approval: Not to exceed \$230,000

Budget Breakdown: Renovation/Repairs

Congruent with Facility Master Plan or Strategic Plan?: Yes

Revenue Source: School Land (Funds 600/650)





January 13, 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. HIRES

Dr. **Lindsey Giesen** 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 November 17, 2022. She will be involved in didactic teaching and precepting College of Pharmacy students in the experiential program. Her appointment will be for twelve-months. Dr. Giesen earned her Doctor of Pharmacy from Harding University.

Dr. **Madison Riojas** has been appointed to a pleased to offer you 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 2, 2023. She will be involved in precepting College of Pharmacy students in the experiential program. Her appointment will be for twelve-months. Dr. Riojas earned her Doctor of Pharmacy from Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

B. CHANGE IN STATUS

Mr. **Ruzzell McCoy** has been promoted to the Interim Head Football Coach position in at Southwestern Oklahoma State University effective January 5, 2023. His salary for the twelve-month appointment will be \$85,000.

Dr. **Ed Klein** has been appointed to the tenure track position as Assistant Professor in the Department of Education in the School of Behavioral Sciences and Education in the College of Professional and Graduate Studies at Southwestern Oklahoma State University effective November 10, 2022. His salary for the nine-month appointment will be \$46,148.00. After July 1, 2023, his salary will be \$48,148.00. Dr. Klein has been employed with Southwestern Oklahoma State University since August 2008.

Dr. **Raygan Chain** has been appointed to the Department Chair position as Associate Professor in the Department of Business in the School of Business and Technology in the College of Professional and Graduate Studies at Southwestern Oklahoma State University effective January 9, 2023. Her salary for the nine-month appointment will be \$87,416.00 which include \$3,200.00 chair stipend. Her prorated chair stipend will be \$1,600.00 for the spring semester. Dr. Chain has been employed with Southwestern Oklahoma State University since August 2015.

C. RETIREMENTS

Dr. **Edna Patatanian** will retire as of July 31, 2023.

Dr. **David Lawrence** will retire as of May 8, 2023.

D. RESIGNATIONS

Mr. **Joshua Kirkland** in the Head Football Coach has resigned from his position as of January 5, 2023.

Mr. **Chad Gray** has resigned his position as Assistant Professor in the Art, Communication and Theater Department as of December 20, 2022.

Dr. **Lisa Castle** has resigned her position as Associate Professor in the Biological Sciences Department as of May 8, 2023.

Dr. **Jeremy Klingler** has resigned his position as Assistant Professor in the Biological Sciences Department as of May 8, 2023.

II. GRANTS, CONTRACTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

Since October 31, 2022, the SWOSU Office of Sponsored Programs has received confirmation of **9 grant awards** for a total amount of **\$163,751**. A profile of the awards are presented below. I am available if you should have any questions.

A. GEAR UP Grant\$60,000

The **Oklahoma State Department of Education** has awarded the grant, entitled, “GEAR UP Grant” in the amount of \$60,000. The primary function of this award is Academic Service. The principal investigator is **Ms. Taler Alexander**.

B. NASA EPSCoR Infrasound Noise Mitigation for Aerial Platforms on Venus – Elbing...\$2,659

NASA has awarded the grant, entitled, “NASA EPSCoR Infrasound Noise Mitigation for Aerial Platforms on Venus - Elbing” in the amount of \$2,659. The primary function of this award is Research. The principal investigator is **Ms. Madeline Baugher**.

C. NASA EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Development (RID) (Regent Funds) ...\$3,960

NASA has awarded the grant, entitled, “NASA EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Development (RID) (Regent Funds)” in the amount of \$3,960. The primary function of this award is Research. The principal investigator is **Ms. Madeline Baugher**.

D. NASA EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Development (RID) (NASA Funds).....\$5,742

NASA has awarded the grant, entitled, “NASA EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Development (RID) (NASA Funds)” in the amount of \$5,742. The primary function of this award is Research. The principal investigator is **Ms. Madeline Baugher**.

E. OCO Technology Pilot Grant Award.....\$5,000

The **Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education** has awarded the grant, entitled, “OCO Technology Pilot Grant Award” in the amount of \$5,000. The primary function of this award is Institution Support. The principal investigator is **Ms. Lisa Friesen**.

F. Structural and Functional Characterization of Proteins Essential for Metabolism and Virulence in Streptococcus sanguinis.....\$63,390

The **OK COBRE in Structural Biology** has awarded the grant, entitled, “Structural and Functional Characterization of Proteins Essential for Metabolism and Virulence in Streptococcus sanguinis” in the amount of \$63,390. The primary function of this award is Research. The principal investigator is **Dr. Vijay Somalinga**.

G. Structural characterization of NfCA1, an alpha-carbonic anhydrase homolog from Naegleria fowleri.....\$4,000

The **Tribeta Biological Honors Society** has awarded the grant, entitled, “Structural characterization of NfCA1, an alpha-carbonic anhydrase homolog from Naegleria fowleri.”

in the amount of \$400. The primary function of this award is Research. The principal investigator is **Dr. Vijay Somalinga**.

H. 53rd Annual SWOSU Jazz Festival.....\$4,000

The **City of Weatherford Hotel/Motel Tax Commission** has awarded the grant, entitled, "53rd Annual SWOSU Jazz Festival" in the amount of \$4,000. The primary function of this award is Institution Support. The principal investigator is **Dr. Richard Tirk**.

I. 50th Annual SWOSU College Rodeo.....\$15,000

The **City of Weatherford Hotel/Motel Tax Commission** has awarded the grant, entitled, "50th Annual SWOSU College Rodeo" in the amount of \$15,000. The primary function of this award is Community Service. The principal investigator is **Mr. Michael Visnieski**.

Respectfully submitted,



Diana Lovell
President



Edmond, Oklahoma

January 27, 2023

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

Dear Board Members:

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

I. PERSONNEL

A. Administrative Appointments

Dr. Jeff King has been appointed as **Assistant Vice President for Transformative Learning**. His appointment, effective January 1, 2023, is at an annual salary of \$114,000.

Dr. King's degrees are: Ed.D. (2000), Higher Education, University of North Texas, Denton, TX; M.M. (1975), Music, North Texas State University, Denton, TX; and B.M. (1974), Music, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.

His professional experiences include: Executive Director of the Center for Excellence in Transformative Learning, (11), University of Central Oklahoma; Director (4), Koehler Center for Teaching Excellence, Texas Christian University; Faculty Development Consultant (2), National Science Foundation Grant Project, Mid-South Community College & Northwest Arkansas Community College; Director (2), Center for Teaching and Learning, Kaplan University; Faculty Development Director/Written Communication Instructor (7), Art Institute of Dallas; Facilitator (6), "Teaching in College" and "The Learning and Technology Connection" Online Faculty Development Curricula, Multiple Cohorts, including Illinois Community College Online Learning Academy; Dr. King has authored many publications and presentations in his field.

Dr. William Radke has been appointed as **Interim Dean** of the **Jackson College of Graduate Studies**. His appointment, effective January 1, 2023, is at an annual salary of \$129,132.

Dr. Radke's degrees are: Ph.D. (1975), Zoology, the University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ; M.A. (1972), Zoology, and B.S. (1970), Science Education, Mankato State College, Mankato, MN. He has also done post-doctoral research at the Hopkins Marine Station, Pacific Grove, CA (1976); the Animal Research Center, Edinburgh, Scotland (1979); the Wolfson Institute, Hull, England (1982-83); and the University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (1990-91).

His professional experiences, all at the University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK include: Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (8); Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs (3); Assistant Dean, Office of Sponsored Research and Grants, and Dr. Joe C. Jackson College of Graduate Studies and Research (2.5); and Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and Professor of Biology (25). Dr. Radke also served two terms on the Faculty Senate; chaired the inaugural Faculty Merit-Credit Committee; served on the Faculty Research Council; served two terms on the UCO Chapter of the AAUP Executive Committee; and served on the Academic Affairs Executive Council. He has also served on numerous other department, college, and university committees, councils and boards.

B. Faculty Appointments

College of Business

Mr. Jerome Kirtley has been appointed as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Information Systems and Operations Management. This is a full-time, tenure-track appointment, effective August 7, 2023.

Mr. Kirtley's degrees are: Ph.D. (anticipated 2023), Management Science and Information Systems, M.S. (2019), Information Assurance, and B.A. (2011), History, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK.

His professional experiences include: Visiting Instructor (2), University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK; Graduate Teaching Assistant/Course Instructor (3), and Information Technology Helpdesk (1.5), Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK; and Cyber Network Operator (3), United States Marine Corps.

Mr. Kirtley will be paid an annual salary of \$104,000.

College of Mathematics and Science

Ms. Alysson Cordell has been appointed as a **Visiting Clinical Supervisor** in the **Department of Nursing**. This is a part-time, temporary, non-tenure track appointment, effective January 17, 2023.

Ms. Cordell’s degrees are: B.S. (2019), Nursing, East Central University, Ada, OK.

Her professional experiences include: Clinical Educator (1), and Registered Nurse (3), Mercy Hospital, Oklahoma City, OK; and Personal Care Assistant (3), Rainbow Promise Home Health, Antlers, OK.

Ms. Cordell will receive no monetary compensation.

C. Temporary Faculty Appointments

1) Visiting Assistant Professor

College of Mathematics and Science

Dr. Pamela New	Chemistry
Dr. Vanessa Wright	Nursing

2) Visiting Instructor

College of Education and Professional Studies

Ms. Kristin Hommel Miller	Human Environmental Sciences
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3) Temporary Lecturer

College of Fine Arts and Design

Ms. Kellie Coffey Koch	Academy of Contemporary Music
Mr. Andrew Hopkins	Academy of Contemporary Music

College of Mathematics and Science

Mr. Kyler Rogers	Biology
Mr. Matthew Long	Nursing

D. Reassignments

Dr. Jeanetta Sims, has been reassigned, at her request, from her duties as **Dean of the Jackson College of Graduate Studies and the University College**. She will resume her faculty position as a tenured Professor in the **Department of Marketing** full-time effective January 1, 2023.

E. Resignations

Dr. Bucky Dodd, Assistant Vice President for Education Strategy and Innovation in **Academic Affairs**, has resigned his position, effective December 2, 2022. Dr. Dodd has served the University of Central Oklahoma in a full-time capacity since 2009.

Dr. Wendy James, Lecturer in the **Department of Mathematics and Statistics**, has resigned her position, effective December 20, 2022. Dr. James has served the University of Central Oklahoma in a full-time capacity since 2011.

Ms. Randee Marble, Lecturer in the **Department of Biology**, has resigned her position, effective December 20, 2022. Ms. Marble has served the University of Central Oklahoma in a full-time capacity since 2022.

Ms. Alina Mizell, Lecturer in the **School of Criminal Justice**, has resigned her position, effective December 20, 2022. Ms. Mizell has served the University of Central Oklahoma in a full-time capacity since 2015.

Mr. Nicholas Poss, Lecturer in the **Academy of Contemporary Music**, has resigned his position, effective December 20, 2022. Mr. Poss has served the University of Central Oklahoma in a full-time capacity since 2016 and will remain employed by UCO as a staff member.

Dr. Linh Pham, Associate Professor in the **Department of Economics**, has resigned her position, effective December 20, 2022. Dr. Pham has served the University of Central Oklahoma in a full-time capacity since 2017.

F. Sabbaticals

Dr. Sallie Pollack, Professor, School of Music, has been granted a sabbatical leave for the Spring 2023 semester. Dr. Pollack will spend her sabbatical leave engaging in the artform of organ performance in London and Paris and in Ft. Worth, TX.

Dr. Pollack has served the University of Central Oklahoma in a full-time capacity since 2009.

II. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF AWARDS

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

October 2022

Prospective Teachers Academy 2, \$5,350
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
September 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023
Susan Scott, College of Education and Professional Studies
This grant will fund the Prospective Teachers Academy at the University of Central Oklahoma, which seeks to recruit prospective teachers. The academy will serve approximately 150 TEACH/Educators Rising and other students.

American University of Iraq, Sulaimani, \$25,000
U.S. State Department (Pass Through American University of Iraq, Sulaimani)
September 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023
Jeff King, Center for Excellence in Transformative Teaching & Learning
CFDA#19.021
The goal of this partnership is for the American University of Iraq staff and faculty to learn from the Center for Excellence in Transformative Teaching and Learning about how to improve teaching, advising, and academic support among its faculty.

November 2022

2022-23 Move United Endeavor Games, \$17,000
Department of Veterans Affairs (Pass Through Move United)
October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023
Leigha Pemberton, Student Affairs
CFDA 64.034
This grant will fund the UCO Endeavor Games and Adventure Therapy. These programs will facilitate the overall goal of aiding in developing ongoing rehabilitative, therapeutic, and whole-life health adaptive sports opportunities for disabled Veterans and members of the Armed Forces.

2022-23 Move United Endeavor Games/VA Archery and Air Rifle Grant, \$7,000
Department of Veterans Affairs (Pass Through Move United)
October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023
Leigha Pemberton, Student Affairs
CFDA 64.034
This grant will fund Archery and Air Rifle programs for veterans and members of the Armed Services who have a permanent disability.

Master Teachers Conducting STEM Practices and Action Research,
\$626,912
National Science Foundation
January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2028

Allyson Fenwick College of Math and Science
CFDA 47.076

This grant will fund 14 Oklahoma high school biology and math teachers who will become Master Teaching Fellows. They will conduct STEM and educational action research, participate in leadership training and continue professional development and community building while teaching in high-needs schools.

December 2022

2023 Oklahoma Statewide Seat Belt Observational Survey, \$103,652
Oklahoma Highway Safety Office
October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023
Lori Risley, College of Adult Education and Safety Sciences
CFDA 20.616

Funds from this grant will be used to conduct the annual Oklahoma seat belt use survey, the child restraint use survey, training for local seat belt surveys, and scientific statistical analysis of seat belt use and trends statewide.

Flow-Through Solar Evaporation Systems for Produced Water Reuse, \$13,454
National Science Foundation (Pass Through Oklahoma State University)
January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023
Kenneth Vaughan, College of Math and Science
CFDA 47.083

Funding from this grant will help develop improved water purification systems that address identified problems, such as inadequate water availability and quality due to aging and inadequate infrastructure and land management.

III. PURCHASES FOR APPROVAL

None to report at this time.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM PURCHASING

- A. R.K. Black Inc., residential student mail services for FY23.
Source:
Auxiliary.....\$118,109
- B. Hyland Software Inc., annual maintenance fees for OnBase software.
Source:
E&G.....\$60,013

C. S2P Intermediate Holdings, Inc. annual licensing for the Jaggaer Enterprise Contract Management System.

Source: Relief
Funds.....\$50,470

D. Ellucian Company LP, annual licensing for cloud hosted Ellucian CRM Recruit

Source: Tech
Fee.....\$84,034

E. StarRez Inc. annual maintenance fee for housing software.

Source:
Auxiliary.....\$51,232

V. CAMPUS BOOKSTORE PARTNERSHIP

Request permission to exercise the first year of five one-year contract extension renewal options with Barnes and Noble College to continue to serve as the campus bookstore. The current term ends June 30, 2023.

VI. RATIFICATION OF EMERGENCY APPROVAL

Request ratification of emergency approval granted by Regent Reilly on December 9, 2022 to contract with Carnegie Dartlet LLC for an amount not to exceed \$425,000 for the implementation of the Slate customer relationship management (CRM) software approved by the Board at the November 18, 2022 meeting. The final estimate for implementation costs had not yet been determined at the time of that Board meeting. This will be an expansion of a current contract with Carnegie Dartlet for related services.

Source: E&G

Respectfully,

Patti Neuhold-Ravikumar
President

Regent Connie Reilly
Regional University System of Oklahoma
Landmark Towers
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Dear Regent Reilly:

The recommendations of Southeastern Oklahoma State University are as follows:

RATIFICATION

Southeastern requests ratification for the approval received on January 20, 2023 to confer an honorary degree titled “*Master of Business Administration in General Business*” to Mrs. Tiffany Murley.

Mrs. Murley has been employed at Oklahoma Panhandle State University for over seven years and was named Comptroller in 2020. She was pursuing her Master of Business Administration degree at Southeastern when she was diagnosed with cancer. She completed over half the degree program before she had to withdraw due to her illness. She has recently been placed on hospice care. At the request of her colleagues at Panhandle, Southeastern would like to honor her with this degree for her contributions at Panhandle.

PURCHASES

Purchases, exceeding \$150,000

In accordance with Board policy 2.3.4, Purchases exceeding \$150,000, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is requesting approval to purchase the following items:

Request approval of the revised project listed below. The project bids came in higher due to additional hardware updates needed. The total project now is estimated not to exceed \$250,000. The original project was approved for \$200,000 at the September 2022 Board meeting.

Item:	Networking and Wiring Upgrades
Description:	Request permission to solicit bids for the demolition of outdated network infrastructure and installation of new network cable infrastructure for Fine Arts, Math, and Welcome Center buildings. The cable manufacturer, CommScope, will certify and provide a 25-year warranty on both cabling and installation.
Amount:	\$250,000 (was \$200,000)

Source of Funding: Master Lease, Deferred Maintenance
Vendor: To Be Determined

Sincerely,

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Thomas W. Newsom
President



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12 January 2023

Regional University System of Oklahoma
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Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Dear Chair Reilly and Members of the Board:

The recommendations of East Central University are as follows:

PERSONNEL

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Alisha Howard has been appointed Assistant Chair of the Biological & Environmental Sciences Department beginning 5 January 2023. Dr. Howard will retain her current academic rank as Associate Professor of Biology with tenure in the Biological & Environmental Sciences Department. Her annual salary will be \$58,369 for a twelve-month period. This is a new appointment.

Dr. Howard earned a Bachelor of Science in biochemistry and chemistry and a Doctorate of Philosophy from Oklahoma State University. Additionally, she has served as a post-doctoral research scientist at Colorado State University for five years. Dr. Howard began her career at ECU in Fall 2015 and received tenure and promotion Spring 2022.

REQUESTS FOR CONTRACTS

None to report at this time.

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

None to report at this time.

PURCHASES

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

Johnson Controls, \$89,752.25 for a boiler replacement (partial payment) at Pesagi Hall. (The future grand total is expected to be \$147,869.00.)

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

VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE

In order to reduce expenses, ECU requests approval to roll-out a voluntary retirement incentive to faculty meeting certain eligibility requirements who agree to retire effective 1 July 2023.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendell L. Godwin
President

Northwestern Oklahoma State University

January 27, 2023

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

Dear Board Members:

The recommendations of Northwestern Oklahoma State University are as follows:

I. PERSONNEL

A. Faculty Appointments

School of Professional Studies

Dr. Gwyneth Holderby, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Nursing in a permanent full-time position with the Doctor of Nursing Practice program. Her appointment is effective January 2, 2023 at an academic salary rate of \$87,500.

She has earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (2009) and a Doctor of Nursing Practice-Family Nurse Practitioner (2014) from Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dr. Holderby's prior work experience includes: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse-Certified Nurse Practitioner-Family (8), Share Medical Center, Alva, Oklahoma; Registered Nurse (2) Oklahoma University-Children's Hospital, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Dental Assistant (12) Central Oklahoma Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Associates, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Northwestern Oklahoma State University

Dr. Adriana Jacob Carneiro, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Communication (Strategic Communication) in a permanent full-time position. Her appointment is effective January 9, 2023, at an academic salary rate of \$53,000.

She has earned a Bachelor’s in Communication (2001), a Masters in Culture and Society (2011) and a Doctorate in Culture and Society (2019) from Universidade Federal da Bahia (Federal University of Bahia) Salvador, Brazil.

Dr. Carneiro’s prior work experience includes: Associate Researcher (1), and Teacher Assistant (.5) Center for Multidisciplinary Studies in Culture at Federal University of Bahia-Brazil; Research Assistant (.5), Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma; Professor of Communication (2), Jorge Amado University, Brazil. Her professional experience includes: Communications Manager (2), State Secretariat of Culture, Brazil; Communications Director (11), Frente & Verso Comunicacao Intergrada, Brazil.

B. Faculty Retirement with Resolution

School of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Cornelia Mihai, Professor of Chemistry, has submitted a letter stating her intention to retire effective May 1, 2023. Dr. Mihai has been employed with the University since August 19, 2004. A resolution recognizing her years of service is attached.

School of Professional Studies

Dr. Steven Palmer, Professor of Business, has submitted a letter stating his intention to retire effective January 1, 2023. Dr. Palmer has been employed with the University since July 1, 2009. A resolution recognizing his years of service is attached.

Northwestern Oklahoma State University

II. GRANT AND CONTRACTS

**City of Alva.....
\$283,407**

Economic Development Scholarship Incentive receipts for Fall 2022. Mr. Allen (Skeeter) Bird, Chief Executive Officer of the Northwestern Foundation and Alumni Association, is the scholarship coordinator.

TOTAL GRANTS..... \$283,407

III. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

c. Summer Hours

Northwestern will continue summer work schedule implemented in 2002. Employees will work 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Summer hours will be in effect for 10 weeks; Monday, May 22nd thru Thursday, July 27th.

d. Oklahoma Panhandle State University

Northwestern updated our institutional profile and removed Oklahoma Panhandle State University as an additional location for academic offerings. This will be reflected in our next institutional update for the Higher Learning Commission this spring.

Sincerely,

Bo Hannaford, Ed.D.
President

BH:jr



NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
OFFICE *of the* PRESIDENT

January 11, 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. FACULTY APPOINTMENTS (TENURE TRACK)

Ms. Amanda Catterlin, has been appointed as Assistant Professor of Speech-Language Pathology in the Gregg Wadley College of Science and Health Professions effective January 3, 2023. This is a full-time regular, tenure track, 9-month position at an academic year salary rate of \$73,250. Ms. Catterlin is filling the position left vacant by Dr. Janette Quarles.

Ms. Catterlin holds the following degrees: M.S., Communication Disorders, University of Arkansas; and B.S., Early Childhood Education, Northeastern State University.

Her professional experience includes: Lecturer/Presenter, University of Arkansas – present; Speech-Language Pathologist/ University of Arkansas SLP Supervisor, Fayetteville Public Schools – three years; Speech Language Pathologist at the following places: Fayetteville Montessori School, Fayetteville, Arkansas – eight months; Regional Therapy Services, Bentonville, Arkansas – two months; Lincoln Public Schools, Lincoln, Arkansas – one year; Imagine Pediatric Therapies, Bentonville, Arkansas – five years; Kids First, Ft. Smith, Arkansas – two months.

Dr. Weihuan Zhao has been appointed as Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering in the Gregg Wadley College of Science and Health Professions effective January 3, 2023. This is a full-time regular, tenure track, 9-month position at an academic year salary rate of \$94,407. This is a new position.

Dr. Zhao holds the following degrees: Ph.D., Mechanical Engineering, Lehigh University; M.S., Mechanical Engineering, Lehigh University; and B.S., Computer Technology and Application, Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

Her professional experience includes: Assistant Professor, Mechanical Engineering Department, University of North Texas – seven years; Post-Doctoral Appointee, Energy Systems Division, Argonne National Laboratory – two years.

Northeastern State University

B. FACULTY APPOINTMENTS (NON-TENURE TRACK)

Ms. Kelsey Riebel has been appointed Clinical Assistant Professor of Physician Assistant Studies in the Gregg Wadley College of Science and Health Professions effective January 9, 2023. This is a full-time regular, non-tenure track, 12-month position at a fiscal year salary rate of \$104,340. Ms. Riebel is filling the position left vacant by Dr. Dan McNeill.

Ms. Riebel holds the following degrees: M.H.S, Physician Assistant, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center; and B.S., Biology, Pittsburg State University.

Her professional experience includes: Family Medicine Physician Assistant, Osage Nation – 17 months; and Hospitalist/Physician Assistant, St. John Medical Center – 17 months.

C. FACULTY APPOINTMENTS (TEMPORARY)

Dr. Jordan Heath Fleming has been appointed Clinical Assistant Professor of Optometry in the Northeastern State University College of Optometry effective February 1, 2023. This is a full-time temporary, non-tenure track, 12-month position at a fiscal year salary rate of \$109,936. Dr. Fleming is filling the position left vacant by Dr. Tara Brown.

Dr. Fleming holds the following degrees: O.D., Optometry, NSU Oklahoma College of Optometry; and B. S., Microbiology / Cell & Molecular Biology, Oklahoma State University.

His professional experience includes: Clinical Optometrist, Citizen Potawatomi Nation Health Services – one year.

Captain Jamel Holt has been appointed Instructor of Military Science in the College of Liberal Arts effective November 3, 2022. This is a full-time temporary, non-tenure track, 12-month position that is paid by the Oklahoma National Guard. Captain Holt is replacing Capt. Winglemire.

D. RESIGNATIONS

Dr. Dustin Baucom, Assistant Professor of Chemistry in the Gregg Wadley College of Science and Health Professions has submitted his resignation letter effective December 13, 2022.

Dr. Caitlin Chevalier, Clinical Assistant Professor in the NSU Oklahoma College of Optometry has submitted her resignation as full-time faculty effective December 30, 2022. She will transition to part-time temporary adjunct beginning January 1, 2023.

Ms. Catherine Davenport, Instructor of Library Services/ First Year Experience Assessment Librarian has submitted her resignation effective December 13, 2022.

Ms. Michelle Green, Instructor of Library Services in the John Vaughn Library has submitted her resignation effective December 2, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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Steve Turner, Ph.D.
President