

# NORTHERN OKLAHOMA COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS

## Minutes

Wednesday, February 15, 2023, NOC Tonkawa

**Regents Present:** Jodi Cline, Brad Fox, Michael Martin, and Jason Turnbow.

**Regents Absent:** Jami Groendyke.

**Employees Present:** Dr. Clark Harris, Anita Simpson, Sheri Snyder, Dr. Rick Edgington, Jason Johnson, Diana Watkins, Jeremy Hise, Wade Watkins, Denise Bay, and Scott Cloud.

1. **Call to Order.** Presiding Chair Brad Fox called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting had been given to the Secretary of State and the agenda posted. Quorum was declared present.
2. **Introduction of visitors, guests, and/or speaker.**
3. **Reciting of the Northern Oklahoma College Mission Statement.** Northern Oklahoma College, the State's first public community college, is a multi-campus, land-grant institution that provides high quality, accessible, and affordable educational opportunities and services which create life changing experiences and develop students as effective learners and leaders within their communities and in a connected, ever-changing world.
4. **Public Comments.** No comments to report.

### BOARD ACTION

5. **Vote to approve minutes.**
  - The minutes of the Wednesday, December 14, 2022 meeting were approved on the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Cline. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
6. **Resolutions Supporting the Current Law on Guns on Campus.**
  - Dr. Harris presented a Resolution supporting the current law on Guns on Campus. On the motion of Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Cline, the Regents voted to approve the Resolutions supporting the

- current law on Guns on Campus. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

7. **Wellness Center Membership Fees**

- Dr. Harris presented the updated Wellness Center Membership Fees. On the motion of Regent Cline as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents approved the Wellness Center Membership Fees. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

8. **Competitive Cheer**

- Dr. Harris presented for approval to discontinue Competitive Cheer at the end of the Spring Semester 2023 as part of budget reducing strategy. On the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents approved to discontinue Competitive Cheer at the end of the Spring Semester 2023. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

9. **Policy Revision(s) and Additions to the NOC Employee Handbook, section 4.2.4 System of Compensation of Instructional Overloads and Special Assignments.**

- Diana Watkins reviewed recent policy revision(s) and additions to the 2022-2023 NOC Employee Handbook effecting section 4.2.4 System of Compensation of Instructional Overloads and Special Assignments. On the motion of Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Cline, the Regents approved updates to the 2022-2023 NOC Employee Handbook. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

10. **Policy Revision(s) and Additions to the NOC Employee Handbook, section 4.2.5 Processes related to Division Chairs and Faculty Liaisons.**

- Diana Watkins reviewed recent policy revision(s) and additions to the 2022-2023 NOC Employee Handbook effecting section 4.2.5 Processes Related to Division Chair and Faculty Liaisons. On the motion of Regent Cline as seconded by Regent Turnbow, the Regents approved updates to the 2022-2023 NOC Employee Handbook. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

11. **Budget Reducing Strategies for FY2024.**

- Dr. Harris presented for approval the Budget Reducing Strategies for FY2024. On the motion of Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Turnbow, the Regents approved Budget Reducing Strategies for FY2024 as presented. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

12. **Supplemental Retirement Program.**
  - Ms. Simpson presented the Supplemental Retirement Program for approval. On the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents approved the Supplemental Retirement Program as presented. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
13. **FY2023 Budget Revision and Establishment of Fund 497.**
  - Ms. Simpson presented the FY2023 Budget Revision and Establishment of Fund 497 for approval. Funds will be used to provide funding to NOC's Nursing Workforce Expansion. On the motion of Regent Cline as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents approved the FY2023 Budget Revision and Establishment of Fund 497. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
14. **Monthly Financial Report.**
  - Ms. Simpson presented for approval of the monthly financial reports dated December 31, 2022, and January 31, 2023. On the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents approved the monthly financial reports as presented. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
15. **Monthly Purchase Report.**
  - Ms. Simpson presented February 2023 purchases for approval. **Purchases of \$25,000 or more** were for: (#1.) Two Boilers – Briggs Auditorium – HAJOCA Corporation -\$41,072.61; Funding Source: Capitol Funds, Audio/Video Upgrades – Nursing Skills Labs – All Campuses – McClelland Sounds, Inc. - \$40,000.00; Funding Source: Nursing Workforce Expansion Grant, On the motion of Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Cline, the Regents approved February 2023 Monthly Purchases. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
16. **Monthly Allocations Report.**
  - Ms. Simpson presented for approval Section 13/New College Fund 600 & 650 allocation requests for the following projects: Computers & Networking – Tonkawa - \$25,000.00, Computer Hardware, Software, Licenses & Fees – \$70,000.00, Repair of Educational Facilities – Tonkawa - \$5,000.00, Repair of Educational Facilities – Enid - \$5,000, Campus Site Development & Physical Plant – Enid - \$65,000.00, Library Acquisitions - \$10,000.00, Library Acquisitions – Enid - \$10,000.00. On the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents voted to approve the Section 13/New College Fund 600 & 650 allocation request for \$190,000.00 as presented. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

## INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

### 17. Administrative Comments.

- Diana Watkins noted that the nursing division welcomed 12 students into its first-ever spring admission cohort on the Stillwater campus. She also stated that all spring and fall 2022 graduates have taken the NCLEX-RN licensure exam with an overall first-time pass rate of 86.5%. The overall pass rate for 2022 is 97%.
- Sheri Snyder recognized Paul Allen on receiving the Business Partner Excellence Award. Ms. Snyder invited Regents to attend the NOC Donor Banquet on March 9 and the NOC Alumni and Friends Reunion event on Saturday, April 1, 2023.
- Jeremy Hise noted that there was a great turn out for the Enid Writer's Club event that commemorated 100 years in Enid. The Enid Writer's Club dedicated a plaque where it is now displaced on the first floor of the Marshall Building. He also stated that he presented at the ABCA (American Baseball Coaches Association) National Coaches Convention in Nashville, TN that included a review of the 2022 NJCAA World Series at DAMB, detailed improvements made at the ballpark the past few years, updates to policies and procedures regarding the upcoming 2022 NJCAA World Series in the future years.
- Dr. Rick Edgington reviewed the Spring 2023 Preliminary Enrollment Report dated February 13, 2023 noting that headcount and credit hour is up from last year.
- Anita Simpson reported that she attended the Council of Business Officers meeting on February 2 to discuss Oklahoma's Promise Funding Request for 2023-2024 as well as the reserve of \$30 million that is being held by the State Regents. The Regent's office is considering allowing institutions to roll approximately 20% of mandatory educational and general fees into tuition over the next three years in order to utilize reserves and to provide more financial assistance to Oklahoma Promise students.
- Wade Watkins noted that he is working with OSU Residential Life to streamline NOC/OSU Gateway students' ability to apply for and obtain student housing on the OSU campus for the 2023-2024 academic year. He also stated that enrollment at NOC Stillwater was up 15% for the spring.
- Jason Johnson reviewed the NOC Weekly Pandemic Situation Update Report. The Weekly Pandemic Situation Update is posted on the NOC emergency page by the close of the business day each Friday to keep the campus community

informed. He also stated that one of the new buses has arrived and thanked everyone who had made this possible.

18. **President's Update.**

- Dr. Harris stated that the Livestock Judging team continues to see good success. They were also awarded the Tonkawa Pride Award by the Tonkawa Chamber of Commerce for bringing pride and national recognition to the community.
- Dr. Harris noted that the Oklahoma Legislature is in session with over 3,000 bills filed. Bills that will affect NOC will be looked at, such as, funding for higher education, concurrent enrollment, and nursing. A Rural Community College Legislative Caucus is being formed. We have encouraged our legislators to join the caucus as it should have strong support in the rural communities.

19. **Regents Comments.**

- Regent Fox commended everyone who is going through budget cuts and stated that it's not easy making these tough decisions.

20. **Other Reports.**

- **Personnel Changes.** Ms. Anita Simpson reported two resignations and two new hires.
- **Red Tails Update.** Jeremy Hise gave a brief update on NOC and Making a Difference/Red Tail Youth Aviation Program and stated that the HVAC system has been installed, and concrete and wall work have begun.
- **Soaring into Summer.** Jeremy Hise noted that the OSRHE Grant – Soaring into Summer Aviation Camp will have a maximum number of 40 students who can attend. The Camp will be free of charge and participants will need to be going into or ending the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Campers will get to stay on campus in the dorms.

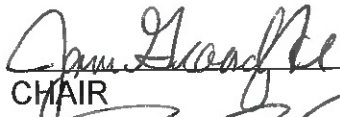
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21. **New Business.**

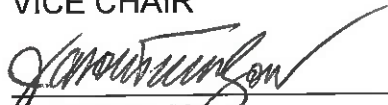
22. **Items for the next agenda.**

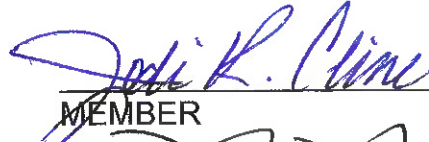
23. **Announcement of next scheduled meeting: The next regular scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., in the Brown Conference Room 217, on the Stillwater campus.**


24. **Adjournment.** – Motion made at 4:16 p.m. to adjourn by Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Cline. Voting aye were Regents Cline, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

  
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