

NORTHERN OKLAHOMA COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS

Minutes

Tuesday, May 13, 2014, Tonkawa Campus

NOC Regents Present: Chair, Lynn Smith, Linda Brown, Jeffrey Cowan, Tom Dugger, and Keith James.

NOC Employees Present: Dr. Cheryl Evans, Dr. Judy Colwell, Larry Dye, Dr. Rick Edgington, Kirby Tickel-Hill, Jeremy Hise, Bradley Jennings, Jason Johnson, Debbie Quirey, Anita Simpson, Sheri Snyder, Dr. Pam Stinson, Dr. Ed Vineyard, Bill Johnson, and Sherry Reubell.

Guests Present: District Judge Phil Ross

1. **Call to order.** Regent Smith called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting had been given to the Secretary of State and the agenda posted.
2. **Introduction of visitors, guests, and/or speaker.** District Judge Phil Ross and Tom Dugger.
3. **New Regent Administration of Oath of Office.** District Judge Phil Ross swore in new NOC Regent Tom Dugger to fill an unexpired term and NOC Regent Jeff Cowan who has been reappointed.
4. **Reciting of the Northern Oklahoma College Mission Statement.**

Northern Oklahoma College, the State's oldest 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.

5. **Vote to approve minutes.** The minutes of the Tuesday, April 22, 2014 meeting were approved on the motion of Regent James as seconded by Regent Brown. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, James, and Smith.

INFORMATION TO THE BOARD:

6. **Regents Report.**
 - Regent Cowan commented that graduation was great as usual.
7. **Administrative Updates.**
 - Ms. Simpson stated that state appropriated budget cuts could range from 2% to 3.75%. A 2% budget cut would be about \$206,000.00 and a 3.75% cut would be about \$385,000.00 for NOC.
 - Ms. Simpson mentioned that NOC is in the 2nd year of a two year option on the lease at Fountain Square. The new three year lease for Cowboy Mall with Oklahoma State University is in the process of being renewed.
 - Dr. Colwell brought attention to the Year-End Highlights of reports from the Academic Divisions.
8. **President's Update.**
 - Dr. Evans shared that she is hopeful that a flat budget appropriation will be provided for NOC and other state higher education institutions. OSRHE staff and Presidents representing all 25

public institutions are having ongoing conversations with the Legislators regarding funding and she encouraged the Regents to speak with legislators as well.

9. **Other reports.**

- Resignations/Terminations/New Hires. Ms. Simpson stated that there have been 12 resignations.
- Dr. Colwell presented a slate of full-time faculty members who are eligible for re-employment for Academic Year 2014-2015.

10. **The New Criteria for Accreditation.** Dr. Pam Stinson, Higher Learning Commission (HLC) liaison for NOC, reported policies being reviewed this month from HLC include the following recommendations:

- Criterion Two language changed to indicate that an institution cannot *insure* academic integrity but its policies and procedures must *call* for it.
- Criterion Three language formerly noted the need for instructors to be *credentialed*; proposed new language suggests *qualified*, perhaps to take more into account experiential learning.
- Finally, there was a change under Assumed Best Practices that noted the requirement for transparency in pass rates for programs not only if they were *advertised* but if they were *provided* by the institution. Institutions that may not be proud of a pass rate in a given year might not be promoting the program at the time, but they still have to disclose their success rates.

11. **Housing Committee Update.** Mr. Johnson introduced Fred Schmidt from FSB and Mr. Schmidt presented a timeline for the NOC residential project on both the Tonkawa and Enid campuses. According to Mr. Schmidt, start of construction is scheduled for August 1, 2014 and the residence halls are scheduled for completion July 25, 2015 and occupancy in August of 2015. Each dorm will have 84 beds. Cost of construction is \$5,000,000.00 per campus.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

12. **Program Modification.** Dr. Colwell requested approval to suspend the AAS in Aviation, Professional Pilot degree program. On the motion of Regent Brown as seconded by Regent Cowan, the Regents approved the suspension of the AAS in Aviation, Professional Pilot degree program. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.

13. **Room and Board Rates.** Ms. Simpson requested approval of Room and Board rates for 2014-2015. On the motion of Regent Cowan as seconded by Regent James, the Regents approved the Room and Board rates for 2014-2015. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.

14. **Master Lease Purchase Program Reimbursement Resolution.** Ms. Simpson presented the Master Lease Purchase Program Reimbursement Resolution for approval. On the motion of Regent Brown as seconded by Regent Dugger, the Regents approved Master Lease Purchase Program Reimbursement Resolution. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.

15. **Transfer from 290 fund to 295 fund.** Ms. Simpson requested approval to transfer \$750,000.00 from 290 fund to the 295 fund. On the motion of Regent James as seconded by Regent Cowan, the

Regents approved the request to transfer \$750,000.00 from 290 fund to the 295 fund. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.

16. **Monthly Financial Report.** Ms. Simpson presented the Monthly Financial Report for April 2014. On the motion of Regent Cowan as seconded by Regent Dugger, the Regents approved the Monthly Financial Report. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.
17. **Monthly Purchases.** Ms. Simpson presented the monthly purchases for May for approval. **Purchases of \$25,000.00 or more** were for 50 HP SB 400 Computers, *CDW-G*, \$30,975.00, Funding source: Capital funds; Parking Lot Asphalt Resurfacing, Science & Admin/Gantz-Enid, *Cummins Construction Co.*, \$253,316.50, Funding source: Capital funds; Parking Lot Repairs and Widening, Admin/Wilkin, Wilkin, South of Admin and Wilkin, *Evans & Associates*, \$189,854.87, Funding source: Capital funds; Used 50' Industrial All-Terrain Boom Lift, \$25,000.00, estimate, Funding source: Capital funds. On the motion of Regent Cowan as seconded by Regent James, the Regents approved the Monthly Purchases. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith. Regent Brown abstained from voting on purchases concerning Parking Lot Asphalt and Parking Lot Repairs.
18. **Section 13/New College Fund 600 & 650 Allocation Requests.** Ms. Simpson requested approval of the Section 13 600-650 allocation request of \$435,000.00 for various projects: Computers & Networking, \$55,000.00; Physical Plant & Equipment-Tonkawa, \$40,000.00; Construction of Residence Halls-Tonkawa, \$170,000.00; Construction of Residence Halls-Enid, \$170,000.00. On the motion of Regent Brown as seconded by Regent Dugger, the Regents approved the request for \$435,000.00. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.
19. **Executive Session.** Possible vote to go into executive session pursuant to Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, 307(B)(1), for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee.
20. **Vote to go into Executive Session.** On the motion of Regent Brown as seconded by Regent James, the Regents voted to go into Executive Session at 2:33 p.m. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.
21. **Vote to return to open session.** On the motion of Regent James as seconded by Regent Cowan, the Regents voted to return to open session at 3:10 p.m. with no vote being taken. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.
22. **Discussion and possible action of the employment, hiring, or appointment of the President of Northern Oklahoma College.** On the motion of Regent Brown as seconded by Regent James, the Regents recommended to continue the employment of Dr. Cheryl Evans as President of Northern Oklahoma College. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.
23. **New Business.** Consideration of "any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of the posting of the agenda."
24. **Items for next agenda.**
25. **Announcement of next scheduled meeting:** The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, June 24, 2014, 1:00 p.m. on the Tonkawa Campus, President's Conference room. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. July 22, 2014 is the tentative date set for ground breaking for the residential housing.

26. **Adjournment.** Motion made at 3:17 p.m. to adjourn by Regent Cowan as seconded by Regent Brown. Voting aye were Regents Brown, Cowan, Dugger, James, and Smith.

NOTE: The Board of Regents may discuss, make motions and vote upon all matters appearing on this agenda. Such votes may be to adopt, reject, table, reaffirm, rescind, or take no action on any agenda item.



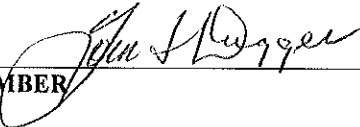
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