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NOC Enid Planetarium projection equipment upgraded through \$140,000 NASA grant

Approximately 100 Enid area patrons attended a ribbon cutting for the renovated Mackie Planetarium at NOC Enid Tuesday night.

The ribbon cutting was sponsored by the Greater Enid Chamber of Commerce.

This past year, NOC received a two-year approximately \$140,000 NASA Grant, donations from Bert and Janice Mackie as well as the NOC Foundation Presidential Partners for the renovation. The renovation provided funding for the purchase and installation of new optics and projection system for this planetarium.

"If you have participated in a planetarium shows run by Fritz Osell in the past, I know that you were pleased with the quality of the shows and the optics before," said NOC President Dr. Clark Harris. "This new system, will leave you even more awe inspired, as you will see after the ribbon cutting."

"NOC has been working with a variety of NASA programs, and this new grant is a special one in that it utilizes the fact that Northern Oklahoma College is a Minority Serving Institution," he said. "The MAIANSE program is a Minority University Research and Education Project for American Indian and Alaska Native Science, Technology, Engineering and

Mathematics (STEM) Engagement. It is a way to bridge science and culture together."

Harris said that during the past year, five NOC students have been focusing on astronomy through the lens of their traditional cultural "star stories" and looking at the night sky through their traditions and the science associated with those objects.

"We are anticipating that through this next year, the Northern Oklahoma College Community will be able to provide the area with more opportunities to explore the night sky through planetarium shows, and events associated with this grant," he added.

NOC's grant proposal was developed by Dr. Frankie Wood-Black, the Division Chair of Engineering, Physical Science and Process Technology. She is also managing the NOC efforts with the grant.

Dr. Wood-Black indicated that NOC was one of only four grants chosen for this particular effort under the MAIANSE program.

"The goal of the program is centered on "the weaving of indigenous knowledge with NASA missions," she said. "NOC is uniquely positioned to help with in this area as we are a Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institution

(NASNTI). This allows us to work with students, and our tribal partners and allow them to focus on science which has a cultural significance. The program has already produced one planetarium presentation and has provided financial support to five students. This next year we are hoping to increase the number of students involved in the program. Additionally, these new facilities will allow for a greater public outreach to the community and help to provide additional excitement for the STEM programs available."

The facility is directed by Fritz Osell. Osell said Tuesday night that over 25,000 visitors have attended shows in the planetarium since the facility was built in 2013.

NOC Vice President for Enid Jeremy Hise welcomed area patrons to the event saying, "We are honored to have the Mackie Planetarium on our campus and we are proud of the outstanding programming and community outreach offered throughout the years."

"Today, we celebrate the fact that this amazing facility will continue to benefit the next generation just as it has in the past thanks in part to the continued generosity of Bert and Janice Mackie along with the NOC Foundation's Presidential Partners Program and NASA Grant," he added.

The planetarium hosts a show on the first Tuesday of each month starting at 7 p.m. Admission is free but donations of non-perishable food are accepted.

Editor's Note: This edition of the newsletter is a compilation of articles from over the summer.



Northern Oklahoma College held a ribbon cutting for the opening of the Process Technology Center at NOC Tonkawa on Wednesday. The event was sponsored by the Tonkawa Chamber of Commerce.

NOC Tonkawa holds Technology Center ribbon cutting

Northern Oklahoma College continues to lead the way in educational innovation with the opening of the Process Technology (PTEC) Building at NOC Tonkawa.

A ribbon cutting, sponsored by the Tonkawa Chamber of Commerce, was held last Wednesday to officially open the renovated facility located near the NOC Ag Complex.

The facility will house Process Technology, Renewable Energy, and Precision Agriculture Programs.

“In 2021, Northern received our second NASNTI grant, from the U.S. Department of Education that is allowing us the opportunity to strengthen the institution,” said NOC President Dr. Clark Harris. “Through this grant and the support of many others, this building – the PTEC Building, was renovated to add a

classroom/lab space where students can engage in hands-on learning experiences, collaborative projects and in-depth research.”

NASNTI Program Director Anna Roland said, “The federal NASNTI program provides grants and related assistance for colleges such as NOC to improve and expand their capacity to serve Native-American and low-income individuals.”

A 5-Year \$2.2 Million proposal was awarded to NOC in 2021 titled Connecting Students to Promising Pathways and there are three key initiatives including the development of new STEM academic programs and supporting course options, strengthening student services, and building capacity to support remote learners with disabilities,” she added.

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Important Housing Dates

MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 4	Labor Day No Classes	Fall Room and Board Charges are Due Sept. 15, 2023
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 15	Constitution Day: Voter Registration Drive By Clock Tower 9 am-1 pm	
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 17	Residence Halls Close for Thanksgiving Break 3 pm	
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 20-24	Thanksgiving Break No Classes	
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 26	Residence Halls Open 12 pm	
FRIDAY	DECEMBER 15	Residence Halls Close for Winter Break 10 am	
FOUR WEEKS	DEC 18-15 JAN	Winter Break No Classes	Spring Room and Board Charges are Due Feb. 15, 2024
SUNDAY	JANUARY 14	Residence Halls Open for Spring Semester 12 pm	
MONDAY	JANUARY 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day No Classes	
FRIDAY	MARCH 15	Residence Halls Close for Spring Break 3 pm	Life changing.
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY	MARCH 18-22	Spring Break No Classes	
SUNDAY	MARCH 24	Residence Halls Open 12 pm	
FRIDAY	MAY 10	Residence Halls Close for Summer 10 am	

Technology

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“NOC is a prime location for reaching area residents and preparing them for promising STEM career options. The employment of wind turbine technicians with renewable energy training is expected to grow exponentially in the next several years and training in Precision Agriculture, which prepares students for the increased use of high-tech tools within the field, is a growing demand among industry employers as well.”

Dr. Frankie Wood-Black, Division Chair for Engineering, Physical Science, and Process Technology thanked all of the industrial partners, including the PTEC Advisory Committee and in particular Enel North America.

She said, “It is the industrial partnerships that make these programs. Without the cooperation and support of our industrial partners, our students would not be getting the education that they need which ultimately allows these students to be employed with high-paying jobs close to home.”

The extensive renovation project has transformed the facility focused on innovation and learning, equipped to support existing PTEC programming, as well as new and upcoming programs focused on Renewable Energy and Precision Agriculture.

Through funding provided by a Department of Education Native American Serving Non-tribal Institution (NASNTI) grant project, Connecting Students to Promising Pathways,

the PTEC building has been revamped with a forward-thinking vision to prepare students for the evolving demands of the modern world. The redesigned facility and equipment purchased showcase the institution’s commitment to sustainability and the practical application of emerging technologies in critical fields.

The highlight of the renovation is the introduction of a dedicated 1,800 square foot classroom and bay area that will house advanced equipment and resources. This dynamic space provides a place where students can engage in hands-on learning experiences, collaborative projects and in-depth research.

The Wind Energy option under NOC’s Electronics Technology program will empower students to explore alternate energy sources, develop sustainable practices, and contribute to a greener future. The program encompasses a comprehensive curriculum that covers solar energy, wind power, and other renewable energy technologies, providing students with skills and knowledge to make a positive impact in the industry.

The Precision Agriculture program, currently in development, revolutionizes traditional farming practices by integrating technology and data-driven methodologies. Students will learn how to leverage precision agriculture techniques to optimize crop production, reduce resource consumption and enhance overall efficiency in the agricultural sector.



PACKING CHECKLIST

HERE’S A HELPFUL LIST FOR YOUR NEW HOME AWAY FROM HOME!

Room Needs/Storage

- ☐ Bedside Lamp
- ☐ Mini Trash Can/Trash Bags
- ☐ Storage bins
- ☐ Fan
- ☐ Pictures of Family/Friends
- ☐ Bulletin board and pushpins
- ☐ Dry-erase wall calendar/board
- ☐ Plastic/Paper Plates and Utensils
- ☐ Command Strips to Hang Room Decorations (nails should not be used in Bush, Boehme, Easterling or Threlkeld)
- ☐ Push Pins to Hang Decorations in Mavericks Hall

Linens/Laundry Supplies

- ☐ Sheets and pillowcases [XL Twin]
- ☐ Towels
- ☐ Pillows
- ☐ Mattress Pad [XL Twin]
- ☐ Blankets
- ☐ Comforter/Bedspread
- ☐ Clothes Hangers
- ☐ Laundry Bag/Basket
- ☐ Laundry detergent, Fabric Softener and Stain Remover
- ☐ Iron/Ironing Board
- ☐ Quarters for Laundry

Electronics

- ☐ TV
- ☐ Laptop (printer is optional; there are computer labs where you can print)
- ☐ Portable speakers
- ☐ HDMI Cord, Ethernet Cord
- ☐ Surge Protector
- ☐ Headphones

Shared Items

— Check with roommate

- ☐ TV
- ☐ Coffee Maker
- ☐ Small refrigerator
- ☐ Area Rug
- ☐ Posters/Art

Personal Items

- ☐ Personal Care/Hygiene Products
- ☐ Medical Insurance card and Any Medication
- ☐ Driver’s License, Auto Insurance, etc.
- ☐ Social Security Card (for Employment Purposes)
- ☐ Renters’ Insurance (Optional)

School Supplies

- ☐ Pens and Pencils
- ☐ Highlighters
- ☐ Tape
- ☐ Stapler
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Index Cards
- ☐ Notebooks
- ☐ 3-Ring Binders and Folders
- ☐ Flash Drive
- ☐ Day Planner/Calendar
- ☐ Paper

Items NOT Permitted

- Electrical cooking appliances - hot plates, toaster ovens, crockpots, instant pots, steamers, etc.
- No open flames - candles, lighters, etc.
- Alcoholic beverages or containers (empty or full)
- Weapons
- Fireworks or other explosives
- Illegal substances and/or paraphernalia
- Any pets



Questions?
Contact Student Affairs Office
Tonkawa: 580.628.6240
Vineyard Library-Administration Building
Room 101
Enid: 580.548.2227
Everest Administration Building
Room 105



NOC approves FY 2023-24 Budget

The Northern Oklahoma College Board of Regents approved the 2024 Fiscal Year Budget at the June meeting in Tonkawa June 14.

The approved \$24.3 million budget is a 2.3% increase over the 2023 Fiscal Year Budget.

“I am pleased to announce that funds were also allocated by the Legislature to increase our budget,” said NOC President Dr. Clark Harris. “For the coming fiscal year, NOC’s state appropriations will be \$10.2 million, a 16.32% or \$1,397,340 increase from last year. With this increase, state appropriations account for 42% of NOC’s overall operating budget. We were pleased to see some additional funding for higher education and are grateful to state leaders for these additional resources. NOC also received an adjustment for performance-based funding from the State Regents because North-

ern met state goals for degree production and other funding formula criteria.”

Included in the new budget is a tuition and fees increase of 4.4%.

“Although we receive significant state funding for college operations, the large majority of NOC’s Education & General budget is paid by students and is based on enrollment, meaning tuition and fees,” Harris added. “Tuition and fees paid by students and their families will comprise 55.8% of the College’s operating budget in the coming year. In order for NOC to preserve the quality of instruction and student services being provided for the coming year, the NOC Regents approved a 4.4% increase in tuition and mandatory fees at the June board

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NOC August Birthdays



Joshua Harris	Aug. 1	Freddie Heath	Aug. 15
Paige Larson	Aug. 4	Scott Cloud	Aug. 18
Brad Matson	Aug.6	Bart Allen	Aug. 23
Todd Ging	Aug. 8	Paul Bowers	Aug. 24
Niesha Jones	Aug. 8	Michael Duroy	Aug. 24
Eugene Young	Aug. 8	Jennifer Hammons	Aug. 26
Curtis Parr	Aug. 9	Anna Roland	Aug. 26
Erin McCoy	Aug. 11	Rachel Kroemer	Aug. 27
Allan Lester	Aug. 13		



REGISTRATION
Everest Administration Building, Room 108



- Parking Decal
- Residence Hall Card
- Student I.D. Card
- Class Schedule/Transcripts
- Add/Drop Courses
- Meal Plan Activation
- Pay Tuition and Fees
- NOC Card Questions

STUDENT AFFAIRS
Everest Administration Building, Room 105



- Student Employment Application
- Disability Services
- Counseling Services

FINANCE OFFICE
Everest Administration Building, Room 107



- Acceptance of Financial Aid
- Questions Regarding Financial Aid
- FAFSA Questions

TESTING
Everest Administration Building Room 1016



- Test Scheduling

SCHOLARSHIPS
Everest Administration Building, Room 106A



- Scholarship Information
- Campus Tours
- High School and College Relations

ADVISEMENT
Everest Administration Building Room 106B



- Academic Advisement
- Enrollment Assistance

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Zollars Memorial Library, Room 402



- Internet and NOC Computer Technical Support
- My NOC Questions
- Student Email and Blackboard Questions

ZOLLARS MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Zollars Memorial Library Building, Second Floor



- Tutoring
- Group and Individual Study Areas
- Computer Access

For More Information, Contact Student Affairs 580.548.2327

Budget

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meeting.”
This increase takes effect in the Fall 2023 semester and will amount to an increase in resident tuition and fees of \$102.00 per semester or \$204.00 for the academic year for students on the Tonkawa and Enid campuses who complete 30 credit hours. No increase was requested in tuition and fees for the NOC Stillwater campus, as it aligns with OSU tuition and fees and OSU is not requesting an increase.

The state regents approved the tuition and fees increase June 29.
NOC’s updated cost comparison chart reflecting the pricing structure for each NOC location for FY2024 tuition and fees on the website <http://www.noc.edu/tuition>.

Also at the meeting, Brad Fox was elected the Regents Chair and Jason Turnbow as Vice Chair for 2023-24.

- In other business, the regents approved the following items:
- Appointed regents Brad Fox and Jason Turnbow as Group One Trustees for the Northern Oklahoma College Foundation.
 - Accepted the resignations of David Cum-

- tings, Mike Loftis, and Bert Mackie as Group Three Trustees for the NOC Foundation.
- Approved the NOC Institutional Budget for the 2024 Fiscal Year.
 - Approved proposed tuition and fees rates for Fiscal Year 2024 (pending Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education approval)
 - Approved the NOC Campus Master Plan for 2024-2030.
 - Approved the Financial Report, Monthly Purchases, and Monthly Allocations.
- The next meeting is Wednesday, July 19, at NOC Tonkawa at 2 p.m.


Before the meeting, a ribbon cutting will be held at the NOC Technology Building in Tonkawa, south of NOC Drive across from the Agriculture Barn.
The new facility opens the new Renewables, Process Technology, and Precision Agriculture facility funded from a \$2.2 million U.S. Department of Education NASNTI Grant.
June’s meeting was the final for retiring regent Jodi Cline who served five years on the board of regents.

Jets, Mavs coaching changes


During the summer, both Enid and Tonkawa have experienced coaching changes.
In Enid, head baseball coach Scott Mansfield left NOC for a position as the Enid Public Schools Athletic Director. Mansfield was replaced by former NOC Tonkawa head coach Ryan Bay. On Thursday, softball coach Megan Hill resigned to accept an assistant’s position at Em-

poria State (KS). Also, athletic trainer Julie Baggett left NOC Enid for an athletic training position for the Enid Public Schools.
In Tonkawa, Bay was replaced by former Western Illinois assistant Michael Keeran as the Mavs head baseball coach while Brandon Gossett replaced Patrick Nee as the head Maverick men’s basketball coach.





WHERE TO GO FOR WHAT?



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- Assistance with FAFSA Completion

SCHOLARSHIPS

Vineyard Library-Administration Building, Room 102



- Scholarship Information
- Short-Term Loans


FINANCE OFFICE

Vineyard Library-Administration Building, Room 109

- Meal Plan Activation
- Pay Tuition and Fees
- NOC Card Questions

CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT CENTER


Vineyard Library-Administration Building, Room 100F Inside the Vineyard Library



- Tutoring/Mentoring
- Group and Individual Study Areas
- Native American Cultural Activities
- Laptops Available for Checkout

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY


Wilkin Hall, Room 206



- Internet and NOC Computer Technical Support
- My NOC Questions
- Student Email and Blackboard Questions

COLLEGE SUCCESS CENTER

Vineyard Library-Administration Building, Room 111



- Retention Specialist
- Academic Advisement

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Wrestling is returning to Northern Oklahoma College Tonkawa

Northern Oklahoma College will be bringing wrestling back to NOC Tonkawa in Fall 2024.

The NOC Board of Regents approved a proposal presented by Athletic Director Alan Foster on Wednesday that re-establishes the men's program and establishes a women's wrestling program for NOC Tonkawa.

Regents approved the measure with the stipulation that all funding to start the program, and to build a practice facility must come from donations.

"On behalf of the Northern Oklahoma College Board of Regents, we are excited to approve the addition of an NJCAA Men's and Women's Wrestling program at NOC Tonkawa beginning fall 2024," stated Regent Jodi Cline. "Coming from the wrestling community, this will be an awesome opportunity for young student athletes from our service areas, especially in northern, north central and northwestern Oklahoma to start their collegiate career right here at NOC. We look forward to partnering with our community and regional affiliated wrestling groups to ensure that our programs will be a success."

"We are excited to re-establish the wrestling program at NOC," said Foster. "Northern wrestling has had a great tradition of quality and success. We are thankful for the regents' support as well as other community members in making this a reality."

NOC President Clark Harris shared, "This is great that we are bringing wrestling back to Northern Oklahoma College. Re-establishing wrestling at Northern Oklahoma College will benefit the college, the area communities and wrestling in the region. The north central region of Oklahoma is wrestling country and NOC should be a leader in this sport. We feel that wrestling will bring a new energy back to

campus."

"We are very happy that Todd Glasgow, NOC graduate and former Maverick wrestler worked with the NOC administration to develop a plan to bring wrestling back to NOC", said Harris. "Todd's enthusiasm was contagious as he rallied the wrestling community far and wide to show their support. He led a group of both NOC employees and community members to make this happen."

"I am super excited about the approval by the regents to re-start the wrestling program," Glasgow said. "This program will greatly benefit NOC as well as students looking to further their education while competing at the college level. Go Mavs!"

The logistics on facilities are yet to be finalized but matches will be held in the Foster-Piper Fieldhouse.

As external funding becomes available, a quality wrestling practice facility will be created in the current swimming pool building that is attached to the Foster-Piper Fieldhouse. The new practice facility will include mat space, locker rooms for both men's and women's wrestling, and coaches' offices. This will bring new life to the swimming pool area that has not been used for several years.

Fund raising for program startup costs, as well as funding for conversion of the new wrestling practice facility are underway.

In a presentation to the regents, Foster said the reasons for re-establishment of the program included strong community and regional support, increase activities for NOC students, faculty, and the surrounding communities, increase enrollment and revenue for the college, an increase in population in residence halls, and a boost in class enrollment on campus.

NOC Calendar

Aug. 7

NOC Fall Book Sale Begins, NOC Bookstores

Aug. 14

Division Chair Meeting
New Faculty/Adjunct Meetings

Aug. 15

T-S-E Faculty Report
Faculty In-Service

Aug. 16

Move-in Days Tonkawa/Enid
Faculty In-Service

Aug. 17

Move-In Days Tonkawa/Enid
Get Going with Gateway, Stillwater

Aug. 18

Maverick Madness
Ready, Jet, Go

Aug. 19

Aggie Club Kick-off, NOC Cove

Aug. 21

Fall Semester Begins
DAISY Award Nominations Open
16/8 Week Classes Open

For additional information, visit the following links: [NOC Calendar](#)



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Dr. Cheryl Evans among inductees to the 2023 OHE Hall of Fame

Former Northern Oklahoma College President Dr. Cheryl Evans is among 12 inductees into Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame in 2023.

The Oklahoma Higher Education Heritage Society will induct Evans and 11 others on Nov. 6 in the Nigh University Center's Grand Ballroom at the University of Central Oklahoma. The cost is \$100 per person, \$950 per table, with tickets available starting in late September. This year's inductees include:

- Dr. Terry D. Britton, president of Rose State College, 2006-2013;
- Dr. Cheryl Evans, president of Northern Oklahoma College, 2011-2021;
- Dr. Pamela Martin Fry, president of Oklahoma State University-Tulsa, 2019-2022;
- J. Loy "Jay" Helm, chairman of American Residential Group and Oklahoma State Regent for Higher Education, 2013-2022;
- Dr. James Hess, current vice provost for graduate programs at the Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences;
- Dr. Adolph Linscheid, president of East Central University, 1920-1949;
- Joseph L. Parker, Jr., chairman of Anchor Stone, and Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education since 2005;
- Dr. William Radke, provost and vice president of academic affairs at the University of Central Oklahoma, 2005-2013;
- Liesa Richter, JD, Floyd & Martha Norris chair in law and George Lynn Cross research professor at the University of Oklahoma College of Law;
- Dr. Jeanetta Davis Sims, professor and dean emeritus, Jackson College of Graduate Studies at UCO;
- Dr. John Cameron Muhlenberg Starkey, late professor at the Wimberly School of Religion,

Oklahoma City University;

• Dr. Steve Turner, president of Northeastern State University's since 2012.

The Oklahoma Higher Education Heritage Society was established in 1991 as a nonprofit to support awareness of higher education's vital role in Oklahoma history and honor individuals, living and deceased, for outstanding service to higher education in the state. Since its establishment in 1994, the society has inducted almost 300 educators, administrators, and others who have made distinguished contributions to higher education into the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame.

To be eligible for consideration, nominees must have been employed full-time by an institution or institutions of higher education in Oklahoma as a faculty member, administrator, or staff for a minimum of ten years and demonstrated excellence in scholarship, teaching, research, administration, outreach, or public service, or any combination thereof, and in doing so brought honor and distinction to Oklahoma higher education. In addition, individuals who have performed meritorious service to higher education within the state may be considered for induction.



Dr. Cheryl Evans

Jodi Cline honored as retiring regent

After five years as a Northern Oklahoma College regent, Ponca City's Jodi Cline chose not to seek another five-year term.

At her final meeting on June 14, president Dr. Clark Harris read a proclamation honoring her service.

Cline was praised for "having gained the admiration and respect of her fellow Regents for her collaborative leadership, her willingness to carry through with tasks, and her approach while dealing with complex issues; and shown herself to be dedicated to the ultimate goals of higher education, to the students, the faculty and the staff of the institution."

Highlights of her regent career include the \$2.2 million U. S. Department of Education NASN-TI five-year (2021-2026) grant. The grant has a STEM focus with program development for engineering technology and precision agriculture and enhancement of student services in career counseling; the transformation of the Tonkawa campus library into the new NOC Pickens Learning Commons, seen the rise of the Livestock Judging Team to become a premiere program, earning the Top Team in the Nation status in 2023.

Cline became a regent in 2018.

"In 2018, Dr. Evans and (former regent) Linda Brown approached me to consider being a Regent," she said. "At that time, Mary Fallin was governor and it was a great fit for me, as I had such a passion for NOC and what they offer."

NOC went through many changes in Cline's tenure but none more than the COVID-19 pandemic and the search for a new president which Cline oversaw after Dr. Evans' retirement.

According to Cline, NOC faces many challenges including state funding and rising costs.

"Budget decisions are also a challenge," she said. "Making tough decisions and following my heart to know that I made those decisions to do what was best for the students, employ-



NOC regent Jodi Cline was honored Wednesday at her final regent meeting by the board of regents and president Dr. Clark Harris. (photo by Shiloh Martin/Northern Oklahoma College)

ees and NOC."

The relationships built and NOC growth will be what Cline remembers from her time as a regent.

"I will cherish the friendships and progress to move forward with growth and betterment of NOC," she said. "I'm not sure I've seen as many changes as what we are currently seeing at NOC right now. Hang on because we are getting ready for some major growth and it is going to be exciting. It is such an exciting time to be associated with NOC."

Mike Loftis sworn in as NOC regent

Mike Loftis was sworn in as a Northern Oklahoma College Regent Wednesday at the regents July meeting in Tonkawa.

Loftis, a Blackwell High School, NOC, and Oklahoma State University graduate, is the CEO of Loftis & Wetzel Insurance with offices in Blackwell, Edmond, Ponca City and Stillwater.

He serves as a trustee for Blackwell's Industrial, Economic Development, Hospital Authorities, as well as the Blackwell Public Trust.

He has served over 20 years on the NOC Foundation Board and was inducted as a NOC Distinguished Alumni in 2016. Other interests include developing Renewable Energy and Real Estate.

Loftis was sworn in by the Hon. Judge Lee Turner, District Judge for Kay and Noble Counties.

"Mike Loftis will be a strong addition to the NOC Board of Regents," said NOC President Dr. Clark Harris. "He brings many years of experience with the college from his work as a member of the NOC Foundation Board of Trustees. I look forward to the knowledge that he brings to the Regents. The NOC Board of Regents will continue to move Northern forward, as we find new ways to engage students on campus and to provide opportunities for students."

The regents also approved the financial report, presented by Vice President for Financial Affairs Anita Simpson.

In other business, the regents approved the course catalog, student handbook, athletic handbook, and Aladdin Food Service contract.

The board also approved a recommendation naming eight new members to the Northern Oklahoma Foundation Board. They include Peter Dillingham, Enid area; Brad Purdy, Tonkawa area; Cheryl Evans, Enid area; Jodi Cline, Ponca City area; Ken Bellmard, Tonkawa area;

Patrick Anderson, Enid area; Patrick Zimmerman, Stillwater area; and Jackie Conrady, Area at Large. The approval is pending approval of the NOCF Trustees amending the by-laws to increase the number of NOCF trustees.

In the president's report, Dr. Clark Harris reported that the Arts Adventure Camp and Native American Youth Leadership Day were on campus and how exciting it is to see younger students on the NOC campus.

In administrator updates, Vice President for Academic Affairs Diana Watkins reported that NOC Nursing students passes the NCLEX Exam at a 100% rate.

Vice President for Community Relations and Development Sheri Snyder said that fund raising plans are being made for the revival of the NOC Wrestling Program in 2024-25. She also reported that an NOC Soccer event will be held Sept. 20 for the inaugural season of men's and women's soccer at the Advance Soccer Complex in Enid.

Jason Johnson, Vice President for Students Affairs, reported that 78 NOC athletes were named NJCAA Academic All-Americans for the 2022-23 academic year.

Vice President for NOC Stillwater Dr. Marsh Howard reported that Stillwater faculty are planning a Family Night for this fall. He also reported some water damage at the classroom building from recent rains and water line issue.

Jeremy Hise, Vice President for Enid, said that repairs are needed on the louvers in the tower of the Marshall Building. He said some of the wooden louvers have fallen forcing the south entrance of the building to be closed. The estimated cost of repairs is \$180,000.00. He added that Enid's "Making a Difference" program is getting closer to a reality as he expects the non-profit organization to move on campus at the end of July.



Mike Loftis was sworn in Wednesday as the newest member of the NOC Board of Regents by the Hon. Judge Lee Turner.

Vice President for Enrollment Management Dr. Rick Edgington said that enrollment for Summer 2023 was up 6% while Fall 2023 Enrollment is down 3% in headcount but is up 6%

in credit hour production. He said six more targeted enrollment dates are planned before the fall semester begins.

The next meeting is Sept. 13 in Enid.



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NOC athletes earn Academic All-American status

Over 70 NOC Tonkawa and Enid athletes were named to the recently released NJCAA Academic All-American Teams.

Athletes received either 1st, 2nd or 3rd Team status based on their Grade point Averages for the 2022-23 academic year.

"I am so proud of our student athletes for their academic accomplishments as well as their coaches for emphasizing the importance of performance in the classroom," said athletic director Alan Foster. We had eight out of 10 teams and 70 athletes recognized over two campuses which is outstanding."

"This shows the true meaning of STUDENT athlete. Not every year will be successful in competition but every year can be successful in Academic Performance," he added.

First team, 4.00 GPA

Lexi Albright, Women's Soccer
Kaycee Babek, Women's Softball-Enid
Brooklyn Bayless, Women's Basketball-Enid
Lexie Boyer, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Evan Casey, Baseball-Enid
Savannah Chenoweth, Softball-Tonkawa
Jaycee Foor, Softball-Enid
Anna Hester, Softball-Enid
Cash Jay, Baseball-Tonkawa
Ashlan Light, Softball-Enid
Marko Maderas, Men's Soccer
Vanessa Markl, Women's Soccer
Chloe Middleton, Softball-Enid
Sidney Redmon, Softball-Enid
Beatrice Sa, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Iris Sa, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Creed Smith, Baseball-Enid
Adelyn White, Softball-Enid
Heidi Wiedmeier, Women's Soccer
Nate Windle, Baseball-Tonkawa
Sierra Woods, Softball-Enid
Rhylan Wright, Baseball-Tonkawa
Holden Yoder, Baseball-Enid
Libbi Zinn, Women's Basketball-Enid

Second Team, 3.80 – 3.99 GPA

Aaron Baker, Baseball-Enid
Molly Dolan, Softball-Enid
Thomas Dunn, Baseball-Tonkawa
Kiara Franklin, Women's Basketball-Enid
Gabriela Gonzales, Women's Soccer
Allison Green, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Corky Hall, Women's Basketball-Enid
Cody Hill, Baseball-Tonkawa
Keely Hussey, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Landri Hussey, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Haiden Huster, Softball-Tonkawa
Josie Jarvis, Women's Soccer
Jaci Johnson, Softball-Tonkawa
Preston Knott, Baseball-Tonkawa
Boris, Nguelle, Men's Soccer
Jaycee Porter, Women's Basketball-Enid
Kyle Roberts, Baseball-Enid
Zachary Roden, Baseball-Enid
Elizabeth Simpson, Women's Basketball-Enid
Abbygayle Vargas, Women's Soccer
Aydan Voitik, Baseball-Enid

Third Team, 3.60 – 3.79 GPA

Lewis Albert, Men's Soccer
Karolina Arriaga, Women's Soccer
Andrew Bowman, Baseball-Enid
Breck Carver, Baseball-Tonkawa
Zane Chavez, Baseball-Enid
Daniel Clarke, Men's Soccer
Hannah Endicott, Softball-Tonkawa
Brooklynn Fleming, Softball-Enid
Cierra Gann, Women's Soccer
David Garcia, Men's Soccer
Naton Herchock, Baseball-Enid
Jordan Holman, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Elijah Laus, Baseball-Tonkawa
Miles Lock, Baseball-Enid
Mitchell Lucero, Baseball-Tonkawa
Samantha Mendez, Women's Soccer
Taryn Rhodes, Softball-Enid
Graeme Rios, Baseball-Tonkawa
Hailey Stage, Women's Soccer
Aubrey Taylor, Women's Basketball-Enid
Owen Tracy, Baseball-Enid
Madelyn Wehrenberg, Women's Basketball-Tonkawa
Chloe Wilkins, Women's Soccer
Kelly Yancy, Baseball-Tonkawa



Northern Oklahoma College Printing Services earned three awards at the recent Oklahoma College Public Relations Association Awards reception held in Quapaw, Oklahoma. Dina Kleinmann (left) earned awards for T-Shirt Design and Logo Design while Paige Larson earned an award in Poster Design. (photo provided)

NOC Printing Services earns awards

Northern Oklahoma College Printing Services earned three awards at the Oklahoma Collegiate Public Relations Association's annual awards contest and conference, held recently in Quapaw, Oklahoma.

NOC Printing Services Director, Dina Kleinmann, earned two awards including Grand Prize Award for her T-Shirt Design for Arts Adventure and an Achievement Award for Logo Design. The concept/idea for the Arts Adventure design was made by NOC Art Instructor, Audrey Schmitz with Mrs. Kleinmann then created the idea digitally.

Graphic Design Specialist, Paige Larson, received an Achievement Award in Poster Design for her Culture/Fine Arts Poster.

"Congratulations to Dina Kleinmann, Paige Larson and the entire NOC Printing Services

team," said Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Development and Community Relations. "We are truly blessed with some amazing and talented employees. It is nice to receive external validation on the high quality of work they continue to produce."

The OCPRA awards competition recognizes the best in professional communicators from educational institutions, both public and private, throughout the state of Oklahoma.

This annual competition is designed to reward achievement, recognize excellence and encourage a healthy competitive spirit by those who represent higher education to the public. Materials are submitted by individuals who work in public relations, sports information, video, development, digital media and printing at any of the state's higher education institutions.