

# NORTHERN OKLAHOMA COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS

## Minutes

Wednesday, March 27, 2024, NOC Stillwater

**Regents Present:** Brad Fox, Jami Groendyke, Mike Loftis, Jason Turnbow, and Michael Martin.

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

1. **Call to Order.** 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.** Kevin Ditmore, Tonkawa Development Authority.
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.**

## BOARD ACTIONS

5. **Vote to approve minutes.**
  - The minutes of the Wednesday, February 21, 2024 meeting were approved on the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Loftis. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
6. **CDBG Grant Resolution.**
  - On the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents voted to approve the CDBG Grant Resolution as presented. The resolution will allow NOC to partner with the City of Enid to apply for a Community Development Block Grant that would fund the beginning of renovations at

Failing Field on the NOC Enid campus. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

7. **Proposed Summer Residence Hall Rates for Tonkawa and Enid campuses.**

- Anita Simpson presented the Proposed Summer Residence Hall Rates for Tonkawa and Enid Campuses for approval. Students will be housed in Jets Hall in Enid and Maverick Hall in Tonkawa for \$735.00 monthly. On the motion of Regent Groendyke as seconded by Martin, the Regents voted to approve the Proposed Summer Residence Hall Rates for Tonkawa and Enid campuses. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

8. **Monthly Financial Report.**

- Ms. Simpson presented for approval of the monthly financial report dated February 29, 2024. On the motion of Regent Loftis as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents approved the monthly financial report as presented. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

9. **Monthly Purchase Report.**

- Ms. Simpson presented March 2024 purchases for approval. **Purchases of \$25,000 or more** were for: (#I.) Emergency Roof Replacement – Hail Damage May 2023 – Vineyard Library - Administration Building – American Services - \$691,141.45, Funding Source; Auxilliary Funds to be reimbursed by OMES for Insurance Claim #2350032092, Sole Source Emergency, (#II.) Greenhouse - American Plant Product – \$149,000.00; Funding Source: NASNTI Grant Funds. (#III.) Four 15-Passanger Vans – Billingsley Ford – Lawton - \$235,120.00; Funding Source: Capital Funds. On the motion of Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Groendyke, the Regents approved purchases for (#I.) Emergency Roof Replacement and (#II.) Greenhouse. (#III.) Four 15-Passanger Vans were tabled to allow more bids to come through. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

10. **Monthly Allocations Report.**

- Ms. Simpson presented for approval Section 13/New College Fund 600 & 650 allocation requests for the following projects: Computers & Networking – Tonkawa - \$10,000.00, Computers & Networking – Enid - \$10,000.00, Computers & Networking – Stillwater - \$10,000.00, Computer Hardware, Software, Licenses & Fees - \$10,000.00, Campus Site Development & Physical Plant – Tonkawa - \$10,000.00, Purchase of Vehicles - \$125,000.00, Purchase of Vehicles – Enid - \$125,000.00, Classroom Building – Stillwater - \$15,000.00 On the motion of Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Loftis, the Regents voted to approve the Section 13/New College Fund 600 & 650 allocation request for \$315,000.00 as presented. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

11. **Vote to go into Executive Session.**
  - On the motion of Regent Martin as seconded by Regent Loftis, the Regents voted to go into Executive Session. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
12. **Return to Open Session.**
  - On the motion of Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Martin, the Regents voted to go into Executive Session. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.
13. **Vote to approve/disapprove.**
  - No action is needed.

## **INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

14. **Administrative Comments.**
  - Sheri Snyder invited the Regents to the NOC/OSU Gateway Program 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ceremony on Thursday, April 18. She noted building tours and reception with a brief program will begin at 3:30 p.m.
  - Jeremy Hise gave a brief update on the NOC Global Education trip to London and Paris. There were 28 travelers between NOC and OSU students, parents, NOC alumni, and community supporters. He also announced that NOC Enid Mackie Planetarium will be hosting a watch party for the Solar Eclipse on Monday, April 8.
  - Anita Simpson reported that her department has submitted financial indicator information for the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) annual institutional update based on FY2022-2023 audited financial statements. HLC requires institutions to submit two sets of financial data with one set of data excluding the impact of GASB 68 & GASB 75 and one set of data including the impact. For FY2022-2023, the Total Composite Financial Indicator (CFI) Score for Northern Oklahoma College Excluding GASB resulted in a 1.74 which falls in the *Above the Zone* range of 1.1 to 10.0 for public institutions. She also gave a brief update on the Marshal Tower Restoration and stated that the bid opening was March 12. One bid was incomplete and will be rebidding to attract additional vendors interested in the project.
  - Jason Johnson noted that NOC Softball teams are starting Region 2 play this week after a competitive non-region schedule.

15. **President's Update.**

- Diana Watkins stated that she attended the Rural Community College Caucus at the Capitol on Tuesday where she was one of two presidents who had the opportunity to speak about our campuses. She noted that several Legislators were attending from our area and were able to speak to them individually on certain issues relating to Higher Education.

16. **Regents' Comments.**

- Regent Fox gave a brief update on the presidential selection process by following the tentative timeline:
  - a. February 21 Board of Regents Meeting – Announced formal National search for the next President of Northern Oklahoma College; Posted position with applications accepted until March 27, 2024.
  - b. March 27, Board of Regents Meeting – Executive Session to conduct virtual interviews with top 5 applicants.
  - c. May 15, Board of Regents Special Meeting – Executive Session to conduct in-person-interviews with named top applicants.
  - d. May 22, Board of Regents Meeting – Executive Session to potentially select the next president of NOC.

17. **Other Reports.**

- a. ***Personnel Changes.*** Ms. Anita Simpson reported one resignation.

**ROUTINE AND OTHER**

18. **New Business.**

19. **Items for the next agenda.** Executive Session

20. **Announcement of next scheduled meeting: The next regular scheduled meeting is Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., President's Large Conference Room on the Tonkawa campus.**

21. **Adjournment.** – Motion made at 4:11 p.m. to adjourn by Regent Turnbow as seconded by Regent Loftis. Voting aye were Regents Groendyke, Loftis, Martin, Turnbow, and Fox.

  
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