

NORTHERN OKLAHOMA COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS

Minutes

Wednesday, October 17, 2018, NOC Tonkawa

Regents Present: Chair Dale DeWitt, Stan Brownlee, Jodi Cline, and Jeff Cowan.

Employees Present: Dr. Cheryl Evans, Anita Simpson, Sheri Snyder, Jason Johnson, Sherry Alexander, Dr. Pamela Stinson, Rick Edgington, Ed Vineyard, Larry Dye, Scott Cloud, and Denise Bay.

1. **Call to Order.** Presiding Chair Dale DeWitt 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.** Dr. Don Stinson, Language Arts Faculty.
3. **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.
4. **Vote to approve minutes.** The minutes of the Tuesday, September 18, 2018 meeting were approved on the motion of Regent Brownlee as seconded by Regent Cowan. Voting aye were Regents Brownlee, Cline, Cowan, and DeWitt.

INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

5. **Program Showcase.** Dr. Don Stinson, Language Arts Faculty, presented on the 5th annual Chikaskia Library Festival held in the Kinzer Performing Arts Center at NOC October 12 & 13th. Stinson stated that the two-day event had 25 readers and was attended by over 200 guests. The literary festival started in 2014, it was inspired by the Scissortail Creative Writing Festival held at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma. The event was founded by faculty members Dr. Paul Bowers, Dr. Brandon Hobson, Dr. Don Stinson, and Scott Haywood. The festival's aim is to promote the literary arts on campus, in the community and across Oklahoma into neighboring states. Stinson told regents that the festival is funded in part through an Oklahoma Arts Council Grant, submitted by Grand Coordinator Brandy

Hinesly-Chambers and grant accountant Mark Tarrant. Featured readers this year were Sly Alley, Rilla Askew, and Paul Austin. Also reading this year was Bill McCloud, NOC graduate who was recently inducted into the NOC Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame. Stinson noted that he hopes the current faculty has laid the ground work to see the literary festival continue at NOC well into the future.

6. **Regents Comments.** NOC Regents recently attended the annual Regent Education Program (REP) sponsored by OSRHE. Regent Cowan shared how he was very pleased with this year's conference. He also thanked Dr. Evans for her presentation this month at RCB Bank. Regent DeWitt stated that he's very impressed with the Ag division and how well the livestock judging team is doing.
7. **Administrators' Updates.**
 - Ms. Anita Simpson gave an update on the new electronic platform for Insurance Open Enrollment for employee benefits. She stated that all employees receiving benefits are required to utilize the electronic platform. Employees will have five different options to choose for medical insurance and NOC will allow employees to use the difference from Plan A (NOC Paid) employee premium for other medical plans towards their dependents/spouse if Plan A is not chosen.
 - Ms. Anita Simpson discussed the budget challenges NOC is facing with the decreased enrollment at NOC affecting the FY19 budget. She and Dr. Evans shared that a revised budget would be developed. The revised budget potentially will include employee Reduction in Force (RIF) Policy.
 - Ms. Anita Simpson gave a brief update on the FY18 External Audit Report and noted that the audit went very well with no findings. The FY18 External Audit Report will be submitted to OMES on October 31.
 - Ms. Sheri Snyder stated that she was excited for tonight's event, NOC Lectureship with David Grann. Ms. Snyder noted that there will be a big turn out this evening and encouraged everyone to get there early. Doors will open at 6 p.m. President Evans will announce that there will be free autographed copies of Grann's novel for attendees on a limited basis courtesy of Carl Renfro/Renfro Family Foundation.
8. **President's Update.**
 - Dr. Evans gave an update on the ERP purchasing process and that the committee will meet next week with the vendors one more time. The Committee will select a vendor in November and present the committee's decision to the Board of Regents in December. Dr. Evans stated that the Presidential Partners mailing has been completed and thanked all the employees who went above and beyond to make sure the mailings went out on time. She also thanked the employees and board members present who support Presidential Partners.

\$20,000.00, Library Acquisitions – Enid - \$20,000.00, Purchase of Vehicles - \$15,000.00. On the motion of Regent Cowan as seconded by Regent Brownlee, the Regents voted to approve the Section 13/New College Fund 600 & 650 allocation request for \$160,000.00 as presented. Voting aye were Regents Brownlee, Cowan, Cline, and DeWitt.

ROUTINE AND OTHER

15. **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."
16. **Items for the next agenda.**
17. **Announcement of next scheduled meeting: Wednesday, November 14 2018, 11:00 a.m., Brown Room Dedication. BOR Luncheon will be served in Room 205 following the dedication. The BOR meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m., in Conference Room 270, at NOC Stillwater, 615 North Monroe, Stillwater.**
18. **Adjournment.** – Motion made at 2:15 p.m. to adjourn by Regent Brownlee as seconded by Regent Cowan. Voting aye were Regents Brownlee, Cline, Cowan, and DeWitt.


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