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# BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL

# COLLEGES

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# DECEMBER 6, 2013

Regular Board Meeting

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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES, DECEMBER 6, 2013

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2012.

The Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges met in the Scholar's Inn Clubhouse on the campus of Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma, on December 6, 2013.

Those present: Mr. Tucker Link, Chairman; Mr. Rick Davis, Vice Chairman; Mr. Calvin J. Anthony; Mr. Douglas E. Burns; Mr. Joe D. Hall; Mr. Andy Lester; Dr. Trudy J. Milner; Mr. Jim Reese; and Mrs. Lou Watkins.

Absent: None.

Others present: Mr. Jason Ramsey, Chief Executive Officer; Mr. Robert White, Health and Higher Education Policy Analyst; Ms. Jessica Russell, Director, State Government Relations; Mr. Steve Stephens, General Counsel; Mr. Cecil F. Strande, Director of Internal Audits; Ms. Shari Brecht, Administrative Associate; and Ms. Linda Novak, Administrative Associate.

After the Chief Executive Officer announced a quorum was present and affirmed that all documents had been filed, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:30 a.m.

# MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES OF INTEREST TO ALL THE COLLEGES MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2013

#### Order of Business

Regent Lester moved and Regent Anthony seconded to approve the Order of Business as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Regent Reese moved and Regent Lester seconded to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2013, Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

#### Approval of Future Board Meetings

Chairman Link announced that the next regular meeting of the Board of Regents is scheduled to convene on January 24, 2014, in the State Room of the Hospitality Services Building on the campus of the OSU Institute of Technology-Okmulgee, Okmulgee, Oklahoma. In addition, a meeting is scheduled to convene on March 7, 2014, in the Council Room, 412 Student Union, on the campus of Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma. Chairman Link asked for a motion to confirm this meeting.

Regent Anthony moved and Regent Milner seconded to approve the meeting scheduled for March 7, 2014, in the Council Room, 412 Student Union, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Chairman Link said at this time the Board was going to recognize the 37+ years of service of General Counsel Charles Drake; however, the weather did not allow him to attend. He asked the record to reflect that the Board did acknowledge him and that it will certainly give him further acknowledgement at the next meeting.

Because of the adjustment in the schedule due to the weather, Chairman Link announced that the regularly scheduled process of convening committee meetings did not occur. He said the Board will act on those items that were before those committees as a committee of the whole with each of the respective chairs leading the discussion on those items that would have been before the committees.

#### LANGSTON UNIVERSITY, LANGSTON, OKLAHOMA

Dr. Kent Smith, President; Dr. Clyde Montgomery, Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Dr. Sharron Burnett, Vice President for Fiscal and Administrative Affairs, appeared before the Board of Regents to present the business of Langston University and review the Agenda for members of the Board.

Chairman Link expressed thanks to Dr. Smith for hosting the Board. He expressed regret that the Board did not get to participate in the planned activities last evening; but, given the weather, it was a good idea to cancel those events. Dr. Smith reported that the remainder of the food was delivered to the family of Dr. Blayne Hinds on behalf of the University. He said the family was very appreciative.

Dr. Smith said he had a special presentation for Mr. Charles Drake. He said a new tradition for Langston University is the presentation of the Langston University Lion Award, and it was his intent to make such a presentation on behalf of Mr. Drake's 30+ years of service to the Board of Regents. He said in the short time he has been at Langston, he noted that Mr. Drake's office has been of great assistance to him. He would like to applaud Mr. Drake's service and thank him for all that he has done for Langston University as well as the System.

On behalf of Langston University, Dr. Smith welcomed everyone to the campus. He expressed appreciation for allowing him to present the business of Langston University first. He said the funeral of Dr. Blayne Hinds will begin shortly, and he expressed appreciation for being provided the opportunity to attend his service.

#### Approval of One-Time Stipend

Dr. Smith requested Board approval to provide a one-time salary stipend to Langston University employees who have been employed a minimum of six months as of November 30, 2013. Dr. Smith said Langston has not had an across-the-board base increase for its employees in at least five years. With the increased enrollment and the receptiveness of the employees to what is required with greater enrollment and retention, this was believed to be the right thing to do. He noted that the increase is loaded to where lower-paid employees will receive a higher stipend. The highest amount is \$800, and the lowest amount is \$600. Although it is not much, Dr. Smith said he feels like it is a small token of the University's appreciation of the great effort of Langston's team across the board as to how they have helped Langston have a great year.

Regent Anthony moved and Regent Burns seconded to approve the one-time salary stipend to Langston University employees as presented in the Langston Agenda.

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Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# Balance of Agenda

Regent Lester moved and Regent Anthony seconded to approve the balance of the Agenda, subject to the availability of funds and/or the limitations of the budget. (The Agenda is attached.)

Regent Anthony said Dr. Blayne Hinds was a close personal friend of his, and the Memorial Resolution is very fitting (a copy of which is presented in the Langston Agenda, which is attached). He said he is sorry for that loss and asked President Smith to express to his family the Board's sorrow for the loss of Dr. Hinds. Dr. Smith said he certainly will.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

The business of Langston University being concluded, Dr. Smith and members of the Langston administration were then excused from the meeting.

#### BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA A&M COLLEGES Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074

#### Dear Board Members:

Please approve the following business items for Langston University.

Expenditures from Treasury Funds, contingent upon their availability, will be submitted for purchasing through Ms. Sharon Toy, Director of Purchasing.

#### A. GENERAL INFORMATION/REPORTS REQUIRING NO ACTION BY THE BOARD: NONE

#### B. **RESOLUTIONS:**

WHEREAS, it has been called to the attention of Langston University and the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges that Mrs. Almeda Combs Parker was claimed by death on October 12, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker, by her loyalty, attention to duty, and faithful performance rendered service as a faculty member to Langston University for 40 years, serving as Instructor in the Commerce Department and in the Department of Business Education; Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Acting Chairman, and Chairman of the Department of Business Administration; Director of the Technical Occupational Program, and Director for the Division of Business Administration and Management; and

WHEREAS, her friends and Langston University have suffered irreparable loss in her passing;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES;

THAT, it takes this method to express its appreciation for the 40 years of exemplary service rendered by Mrs. Almeda Combs Parker to Langston University, the State of Oklahoma and its citizens, to express respect to her memory, and to extend to the family its deepest sympathy in the loss sustained, and to state that the Board and every member thereof respectfully join the friends of the deceased in mourning the passing of one of Langston University's beloved faculty members.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy sent to the family of Mrs. Almeda Combs Parker.

Adopted by the Board the 6th day of December 2013.

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WHEREAS, it has been called to the attention of Langston University and the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges that Dr. Blayne Edward Hinds was claimed by death on December 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hinds, by his loyalty, attention to duty, and faithful performance rendered service as an administrator of Langston University for 12 years, serving as Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs overseeing the Langston University – Oklahoma City Campus, and his special relationship with the University while serving as Mayor of the Town of Langston City; and

WHEREAS, his friends and Langston University have suffered irreparable loss in his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES;

THAT, it takes this method to express its appreciation for the 12 years of exemplary service rendered by Dr. Blayne Hinds to Langston University, the State of Oklahoma and its citizens, to express respect to his memory, and to extend to the family its deepest sympathy in the loss sustained, and to state that the Board and every member thereof respectfully join the friends of the deceased in mourning the passing of one of Langston University's beloved administrators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy sent to the family of Dr. Blayne Hinds.

Adopted by the Board the 6th day of December 2013.

# C. POLICY AND OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES: NONE

#### D. PERSONNEL ACTION:

1. <u>FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES</u> Langston University will accept the following notices of resignation:

Victoria Robertson, Instructor, School of Nursing and Health Professions, effective December 30, 2013.

Marsha LeeAnn Sipes, Instructor, School of Nursing and Health Professions, effective December 20, 2013.

2. Approval is respectfully-requested to employ Zula-Price as Assistant Professor (tenured-track) in the School of Nursing and Health Professions at a salary of \$55,000 for the 2013 – 2014 academic year. This is a nine month appointment, effective January 12, 2014.

# E. INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS: NONE

#### F. BUDGETARY ACTION:

1. Approval is respectfully requested to provide a one-time salary stipend to Langston University employees who have been employed a minimum of six months as of November 30, 2013. This salary stipend program is weighted to benefit the lower –paid employees at the University.

Salary Range	Stipend Amount
\$40,000 and less	\$800
\$40,001 - \$75,000	\$700
\$75,001 and greater	\$600

If approved, this stipend would be reflected in the December paycheck. The total cost, including required benefit payments, will be approximately \$330,000.00. Funds are available in the **Reserves**.

# G. OTHER BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS: NONE

#### H. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS (other than construction and renovation):

1. Approval is respectfully requested for Langston University to enter into an agreement with Crawford & Associates for accounting and consulting services. The estimated cost is \$34,700.00. Funds are available in account 514120.

# I. NEW CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF FACILITIES: NONE

#### J. PURCHASE REQUESTS:

1. Approval is respectfully requested for the School of Agriculture and Applied Sciences to solicit public bids and process a purchase requisition to outsource large-scale sequencing of three botanical groups of cultivated peanuts using next generation sequencing technology with related bioinformatics analysis. This mass-sequencing of data of several fragments back to individual gene clones will require a clustering and assembling process of the fragments back to individual genes and cleaning using the sequences-associated-bioinformatics technology. This process is needed for ongoing peanut research at Langston University. This expenditure is estimated in the amount of \$45,500.00. Funding is available in account 1-51999. December 6, 2013

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# K. STUDENT SERVICES/ACTIVITIES: NONE

L. NEW BUSINESS UNFORESEEN AT TIME AGENDA WAS POSTED: NONE

# M. OTHER INFORMATIONAL MATTERS NOT REQUIRING ACTION OF THE BOARD:

#### 1. Summary of Out-of-State Travel as of October, 2013:

Column (1): Travel This Month Column (3): Amount Expended Current FY Column (2): Corresponding Month Last FY Column (4): Amount Expended Prior FY

	NO. of TRIPS (1)	AMOUNT EXPENDED (1)	NO. of TRIPS (2)	AMOUNT EXPENDED (2)	NO. of TRIPS (3)	AMT. EXP. CURRENT FY (3)	NO. of TRIPS (4)	AMT. EXP. PRIOR FY (4)
Revolving	3	\$38,675.78	8	\$25,264.91	28	\$38,171.55	23	\$48,992.73
St. Approp.								
Federal	17	\$31,913.38	19	\$39,176.16	68	\$114,208.48	77	\$148,420.43
Private								
Auxiliary	3	\$15,995.25	0	\$6,431,25	13	\$34,452.31	9	\$23,676.59
Other								
TOTAL	23	\$86,584.41	27	\$70,872.32	109	\$231,832.34	109	\$221,089.75

All items listed above are respectfully submitted for your approval.

Sincerely,

KENT J. SMITH, JR PRESIDENT LANGSTON UNIVERSITY

#### OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA

President Burns Hargis and members of the OSU administration appeared before the Board of Regents to present the business of Oklahoma State University and review the Agenda for members of the Board. President Hargis said it is always great to be at Langston University. He said he is disappointed the festivities last night did not occur due to inclement weather because they are always great.

President Hargis said OSU is completing its fall semester. Graduate commencement will be held on Friday, December 13, and undergraduate commencements will be held on Saturday, December 14. T. W. Shannon, Speaker of the House of Representatives, will be the commencement speaker at both ceremonies on Saturday.

He said the Bedlam football game will be held on Saturday, December 7, and the staff is feverishly trying to clean the field after the snow storm. The campus was closed today due to the weather. This was the last day of dead week and there would have been very few classes held. This enabled employees to get out there and not be impeded by too many people walking around. President Hargis said he has been told by Vice President Weaver that the field is almost clean.

President Hargis said football bowl selections are anticipated to be made on Sunday, December 8. OSU will make the arrangements and advise the Board accordingly.

#### Adoption of Memorial Resolution

President Hargis presented information on behalf of William R. Venable, Associate Professor, Retired, Educational Studies, College of Education. He requested the Board's adoption of the Memorial Resolution in honor of Dr. Venable (a copy of which is attached to OSU's portion of the minutes as ATTACHMENT A and considered a part of these minutes).

Regent Anthony moved and Regent Hall seconded to adopt the Memorial Resolution for William R. Venable as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

#### Recognition of General Counsel Charles Drake

President Hargis said he would also like to add his thanks and admiration of Charles Drake for the many years they have worked together. He said OSU welcomes Steve Stephens today as the new General Counsel. He said he knows Mr. Stephens will do a great job, as well.

## Approval of Revisions to OSU Policy 1-0530 Tobacco Use in University Buildings and Grounds

With regard to the request to approve revisions to OSU Policy 1-0530 Tobacco Use in University Buildings and Grounds, he requested OSU's Chief Wellness Officer, Suzy Harrington, to present this matter.

Dr. Harrington said the proposed revisions to the Tobacco Use policy are primarily found in Section 2.02. (A copy of the proposed revisions to OSU Policy 1-0530 Tobacco Use in University Buildings and Grounds is found beginning on page C-1 of the OSU Agenda, which is on file in the Board of Regents' Office as Document No. 1-12-6-13.) She said this section specifically identifies smoking preparations to include hookahs, electronic cigarettes, vapor devices, and clove cigarettes.

Dr. Harrington said the proposed revisions were presented to the Student Government Association, which voted to approve the revised policy. She noted that representatives of SGA are present. The revised policy was also endorsed by the Provost Council and by the Council of Deans. It was presented to the Faculty Council and to the Staff Advisory Council. Although these groups did not officially vote on the matter, they saw the presentation and provided minimal comments.

Dr. Harrington said there are four major points as to why it is believed these revisions should be approved. The first is that OSU was the first tobacco free campus. She said her colleagues were so impressed that OSU is tobacco free and not just smoke free, and the policy is across the System and not just the Stillwater campus. She noted that the University of Central Oklahoma was actually the first university to include banning e-cigarettes in its tobacco policy. She said OSU is striving to be America's Healthiest Campus; however, the perception is that OSU is allowing smoking on campus with e-cigarettes. Dr. Harrington said the World Health Organization, the American Cancer Society, the American Lung Association, and the National Attorney General's Office have not supported e-cigarettes and vapor devices. Eight countries, nine states, and 100 municipalities have added these devices into their policies. Most hospitals have included this as a part of their policies, also. She clarified that OSU is not the only institution requesting to add these devices as a part of their tobacco policy.

Dr. Harrington said the second point is that there is a lot of deceptive advertising about e-cigarettes regarding their safety. While e-cigarettes may be safer than cigarettes, that does not deem they are safe. Until research shows that e-cigarettes are safe, they should not be allowed on campus. Dr. Harrington said cigarettes were not deemed to be unsafe back in the 1950's, and now it is known all the dangers associated with them. She said the vapor is not water vapor but has chemicals in it, which may be approved by the FDA but are not approved for inhalation or consumption. As an educational institution, Dr. Harrington said until e-cigarettes are deemed safe they should not be allowed on campus. She also pointed out that the ingredients are not controlled. She said a news piece showed two different products with one being apple flavored

and the other a light amber color, so it is not even known what is going into these products as far as chemicals or nicotine levels. Nicotine is considered a toxic drug.

A third point is false advertising in that e-cigarettes are being marketed as a cessation agent. While they may be a cessation agent for some, this is not approved or evidenced based. The nicotine replacement of the patch and the pill are evidenced based and proven. Dr. Harrington said when she teaches tobacco cessation, the addiction to nicotine is not the problem. The problem is the behavior change. The reason people go back to cigarettes is they are used to having a cigarette with their morning coffee or at a bar with friends. E-cigarettes do not change that behavior.

Dr. Harrington said the last point she wants to make is not particularly pertinent to OSU directly. It involves the marketing to children. It is different than when candy cigarettes were marketed years ago when a child would take a couple of quick puffs and eat the candy. The e-cigarettes are being worn around the necks of children and available to use at all times. The number of children who are picking this up has doubled in the last two years, and there is concern that this is affecting children even more than young adults.

Chairman Link said his understanding is that the Student Government Association, faculty, deans, provosts, and the basic entirety of the campus have endorsed the proposed revisions. President Hargis clarified that the Faculty Council did not vote on this matter as it was not a matter before them on which to act. The same is true with the Staff Advisory Council. He said the SGA did vote on the matter as did the Council of Deans and the Provost Council. President Hargis said he would agree with Dr. Harrington that no objections were voiced after the presentations to the Faculty Council and the Staff Advisory Council.

Regent Davis noted that Dr. Harrington mentioned students being present today, and he said he would like to hear their comments. In order to provide a fair and balanced presentation on this matter, he felt the Board should allow a few minutes from representatives of both sides of the issue.

Mr. Donnie Joe Worth, SGA Senate Chairman, reported that he led the meeting that was able to pass this piece of legislation. The author of the Bill is Nick Berghall. (A copy of the SGA Bill is attached to OSU's portion of the minutes as ATTACHMENT B and considered a part of these minutes.) Mr. Worth said there was a lot of debate on this matter at the meeting; however, the voice of the students is that they are against the use of e-cigarettes on campus. Mr. Berghall said Mr. Worth summed it up, and it is fairly straightforward. The piece of legislation was overwhelmingly passed by the SGA representatives.

Regent Burns said he has a question not so much pertaining to the vote but just about the experience with students on campus. He asked the students if they have observed the use of e-cigarettes in the classroom during instruction time. Mr. Worth said he, personally, has witnessed the usage, and it is interesting because some of the reasoning for its passage was the basis of respect for the students around them as well as the instructors. He said he has personally

witnessed two students that use e-cigarettes in his classes of chemical engineering. For some of the students it was a respect issue in that they did not want the usage of e-cigarettes by some students to interrupt classes for the students around them or when the instructor is teaching. Mr. Berghall said his personal experiences have been that he has noticed a lot of usage in the hallways. The biggest argument is that e-cigarettes do not affect other people, but in reality they do. The e-cigarettes do have a slight smell and are distracting. Mr. Berghall said, personally, he has not witnessed students using e-cigarettes in classrooms, but he has heard accounts of fellow students who have. The biggest issue is that the instructors do not necessarily know where they can stand on the use of e-cigarettes in the classrooms. Some instructors have sent the students out of the classroom while others do not because it is unclear what the usage policy is on campus. The Bill states that while no rigorous or controlled studies have been conducted to determine the safety of electronic cigarettes, the biggest piece of the legislation is that the use of e-cigarettes is unsightly and in the classroom setting is distracting. He said as was mentioned by Mr. Worth, it is believed to be somewhat disrespectful to have the presence of e-cigarettes in the classroom.

Chairman Link asked if there was anyone wishing to make a five-minute presentation against banning the use of e-cigarettes on campus. Mr. Sean Gore, Chairman of the Oklahoma Vapor Advocacy League, said he is present on behalf of everyone who vapes and is trying to make the necessary improvements to their lives and their health by switching to e-cigarettes. He said those who use e-cigarettes have tried for years to get away from tobacco products and its harmful effects; yet, when something that is found that actually works, someone or some organization wants to penalize or ostracize those protective steps. He said the answer to why this is done is because of money. Organizations such as the Heart and Lung Association and the Cancer Society receive funding from excise tax-the tax stamp on packs of cigarettes. When society's conventional smoker moves to the use of e-cigarettes, there is no excise tax collected on these items and these organizations lose their funding. Mr. Gore said the e-cigarette market is projected to overtake the tobacco industry within this decade. Truth be told, Mr. Gore said these organizations need people to buy tobacco products. What is happening, though, is basic indoctrination at the local level. If the health organizations can demonize e-cigarettes at the local levels through bribes using taxpayer dollars, they can make it easier to get e-cigarettes subjected to excise taxation at the state level thus saving their jobs and accomplishing self preservation.

Mr. Gore said he would like to address some of the issues that have been brought up. One issue is the persona of role modeling. He asked if it is okay to ban or prohibit something that poses no major health risks to the user simply because an OSU SGA Senator stated that e-cigarettes are nasty and that he does not like them. Mr. Gore said he believes that was a pretty bold statement coming from someone with political aspirations. An individual is elected to make decisions based on the majority of the constituencies one is elected to represent and not based on one's own personal desires. Mr. Gore said he believes seeing everyone trying to move away from something that does not cause harm to others is being more of a role model than someone who tries to impose their will on others simply because they do not agree. Mr. Gore said this is a democracy, and it should be instilled in everyone that it is not right to impede on another's civil liberty to express oneself if something does not pose a major risk to humans. He said it is a

parent's job to be a role model in their children's lives. The society is so about blaming someone or something else other than where the responsibility actually lies.

A second issue is clean air. Mr. Gore said Informa Healthcare conducted an inhalation toxicology study in 2012 comparing the effect of e-cigarette vapor and cigarette smoke on indoor air quality. The study indicates that "there are very low indoor air quality impacts from the use of an electronic cigarette based on the risk screening or measured emissions." It also indicates that there is "no apparent risk to human health from e-cigarette emissions based on the compounds analyzed." Mr. Gore cited several studies that have been completed regarding e-cigarettes, one of which concluded that e-cigarette smoking does not produce detectable amounts of toxic or carcinogenic substances in the air of an enclosed space. Mr. Gore said it was reported that further studies are needed to better understand all of the involved aspects; however, "this preliminary assessment indicates that passive vaping impact, when compared to the traditional cigarette smoking, is so low that it is just detectable, and it does not have the toxic and carcinogenic characteristics of cigarette smoking. The absence of combustion and the lack of sidestream smoking, with its known toxic effects are probably the main reasons for the differences observed in air pollution characteristics between e-cigarettes and tobacco smoking." Further, "on the base of the obtained results and on ARPA data about urban pollution, we can conclude by saying that it could be more unhealthy to breathe air in big cities compared to staying in the same room with someone who is vaping."

With respect to the issue of targeting minors, Mr. Gore said e-cigarette producers do not target minors and he shared the following information. The American Lung Association and American Cancer Society are against age limits on e-cigarettes; yet, they are at the heart of the organizations screaming that the e-cigarette industry is targeting minors with all the flavors. While pro-vapor advocates are pushing for statutory age limits, these groups are opposing the measures. The true reason for all the flavors is because when a person gives up smoking the sense of taste and the sense of smell are enhanced. As far as the precursor to smoking, Theodore Wagener, Assistant Professor of General and Community Pediatrics at the University of Oklahoma, conducted a study that indicated that "it didn't seem as though it really proved to be a gateway to anything." The study showed that "most teens and adults who use these cigarettes seem to be using them to stop smoking or at least to reduce the harm from smoking tobacco." Another study titled, "Adolescent Males' Awareness of and Willingness to Try Electronic Cigarettes" said "most adolescent males were aware of e-cigarettes, and a substantial minority were willing to try them." The Action on Smoking and Health (ASH) conducted a study in Great Britain among young adults and children (11-18) in 2013 and concluded that "among children regular use of e-cigarettes is extremely rare. Children who had heard of e-cigarettes were asked about their use and knowledge of them. What little use that is reported is confined almost entirely to children who currently smoke or used to smoke." In addition, "among young people who have never smoked 1% have 'tried e-cigarettes once or twice,' 0% report continued ecigarette use and 0% expect to try an e-cigarette soon."

Regarding the issue of the risk of putting a foreign substance in the body, Mr. Gore said it cannot be totally avoided. He stated that a study conducted by Professor Igor Burstyn, Drexel

University School of Public Health, of over 9,000 observations about the chemistry of the vapor and the liquid in e-cigarettes found that "the levels of contaminants e-cigarettes users are exposed to are insignificant, far below levels that would pose any health risk. Additionally, there is no health risk to bystanders. Proposals to ban e-cigarettes in places where smoking is banned have been based on concern there is a potential risk to bystanders, but the study shows there is no concern." Mr. Gore also provided a letter from the 17<sup>th</sup> Surgeon General of the United States in favor of not including e-cigarettes in smoking bans (a copy of which is attached to OSU's portion of the minutes as ATTACHMENT C and considered a part of these minutes).

Chairman Link said both sides could probably go back and forth on the issue by providing facts, support, or dispute. He asked if the Board has any questions of Mr. Gore. There being none, Chairman Link expressed thanks to Mr. Gore for his comments.

Mr. David Kapple representing the National Vapors Club said he is a former Oklahoma State University student, a lifelong Cowboys fan, and a former tobacco smoker. The National Vapors Club fully supports efforts to stop tobacco use. He said according to the American Lung Association, 68 percent of smokers started smoking before the age of 18, and 85 percent started before the age of 25. Mr. Kapple said he applauds efforts of campuses like OSU to become smoke free. According to a study by Indiana University, smoke free campuses have 3.7 percent fewer smokers. That number could be exponentially greater if the safer, cleaner, and better alternative was allowed, which is simply not smoke but vapor. He said he personally started smoking when he was 11 years old, and he has tried patches, gum, and about any pharmaceutical aid available to quit smoking; however, none of it worked. Mr. Kapple said he resigned to the fact that he would be a smoker until the day he died until he tried e-cigarettes. With the use of these products, he said he was able to completely remove the chain of the conventional cigarettes out of his life. Mr. Kapple said he feels better and can taste food again. He said vaping was truly a miracle for him.

Smoking bans, like the one already enacted on most, if not all, campuses represented by the Board of Regents are enacted to protect the public from the harm of second-hand smoke. E-cigarettes do not pose this second-hand smoke risk. In fact, all evidence to date shows that there is little to no second hand exposure health risks. A study from the Rozwell Park Center that was funded in part by the National Institute of Health found the levels of chemicals and toxins in vapor produced by 12 different e-cigarettes were up to 450 times less than that in conventional cigarette smoke. Mr. Kapple said he would also like to point out that the same omissions from e-cigarettes are the same that the OSU football team enters the stadium through every home game and the same vapor the student section breathes every time the fire machine is fired up in the tunnel. With all scientific evidence showing that e-cigarettes are a healthier. better alternative with no second-hand smoke exposure risk, Mr. Kapple said this ban can certainly not be based on public health. He said what is being debated is a ban based on appearances. It looks like smoking, and Mr. Kapple said he agrees that it does. However, that is one of the biggest reasons why it works. Drinking water on campus is not banned just because it looks like vodka. Although some e-cigarettes resemble traditional cigarettes, many do not. It is extremely easy to tell the difference. When someone lights up a cigarette, one can instantly

smell the stench of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless and generally any detectible odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Banning smoking while still allowing e-cigarette use could lead smokers to improve their health and switch to e-cigarettes. The alternative is that smokers will continue to either ignore the current smoke-free policy or simply leave campus grounds to smoke. Mr. Kapple urged the Board to do what is right for the health of the students of these universities and vote against banning the use of these miracle devices that have helped so many break away from tobacco. Again, Mr. Kapple said it is not smoke – it is vapor.

Chairman Link said he would like to make a few points. The bans currently in place are not just to benefit the rest of the world by avoiding second-hand smoke. There are a number of other benefits that do come from that, as well. Secondly, Chairman Link said there has been an open debate and an open discussion regarding this issue. He said at this point it is time to act. The request before the Board is to approve revisions to OSU Policy 1-0530 Tobacco Use in University Buildings and Grounds. Typically, this item would have been heard by the Academic Affairs, Policy and Personnel Committee. He asked the Chairman of that Committee, Regent Davis, to address this matter.

Regent Davis questioned if Legal Counsel has reviewed the policy change. Mr. Stephens said he knows it has been reviewed. He said he did not see any significant legal issue, but if the Board would like it be reviewed before it becomes effective, he said he would be happy to do that. Chairman Link said it is subject to final review by Legal Counsel.

Regent Davis moved and Regent Burns seconded to approve the revisions to OSU Policy 1-0530 Tobacco Use in University Buildings and Grounds as presented, subject to final review and approval by Board Legal Counsel.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

President Hargis expressed thanks to the Board. He said he believes this is the proper action, and he appreciates the support by the Board of Regents.

<u>President Hargis requested President Shrum to present information pertaining to the Center for</u> <u>Health Sciences</u>:

# Approval of Revisions to the Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Guidelines for OSU Center for Health Sciences

Dr. Shrum requested approval of revisions to the Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Guidelines. The overall intent of the significant amount of changes is to move the final decision on Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure cases back to the President, Center for Health

Sciences/Dean, College of Osteopathic Medicine, rather than the Senior Vice President/Provost on the Stillwater campus. These changes have been reviewed and approved by the CHS/COM faculty, as well as Board Legal Counsel. Dr. Shrum said the majority of the policy still remains congruent with the OSU-Stillwater policy. She said revisions to this policy are being presented in isolation of the entire Handbook. The Handbook has been reviewed and the policies have been updated; however, it has not been presented to the faculty for a vote. It will be presented to the Board as soon as that occurs. This item was necessary to pull out and vote on before the entirety of the Handbook due to the tenure process.

Regent Reese moved and Regent Lester seconded to approve the revisions to the Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Guidelines for OSU Center for Health Sciences as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Regent Davis said it needs to be clear that all current policies not specifically referenced in Item C-2 are intended to remain in full force and effect until and unless further actions are approved by the Board of Regents.

Regent Reese moved and Regent Lester seconded to approve the revisions to the Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Guidelines for OSU Center for Health Sciences as presented, with the understanding that all current policies not specifically referenced are intended to remain in full force and effect until and unless further actions are approved by the Board of Regents.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

## Approval of Position Announcement and Position Description for Vice President, Administration and Finance, OSU Center for Health Sciences

Dr. Shrum presented the request to approve the position announcement and position description for Vice President, Administration and Finance, OSU Center for Health Sciences. (The position description and announcement are found beginning on page D-1 of the OSU Agenda, which is on file in the Board of Regents' Office as Document No. 1-12-6-13.)

Regent Davis moved and Regent Anthony seconded to approve the position announcement and position description for Vice President, Administration and Finance, OSU Center for Health Sciences as presented. Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# <u>President Hargis requested Interim Provost Fry to present information pertaining to Academic Affairs:</u>

# Approval of Position Announcement and Position Description for Vice President, Research and Technology Transfer

Dr. Fry presented the proposed position announcement and position description for Vice President of Research and Technology Transfer for OSU-Stillwater. (The position announcement and position description are found beginning on page D-2 of the OSU Agenda, which is on file in the Board of Regents' Office as Document No. 1-12-6-13). She requested Board approval so the national recruiting process can begin.

Regent Davis moved and Regent Anthony seconded to approve the position description and position announcement for Vice President for Research and Technology as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# Personnel Actions

Dr. Fry presented the personnel actions and recommended their approval with the exception of those items pertaining to retirements and separations, which are included as information items only. The list includes eight new appointments, eleven changes in title and/or rate, one leave of absence without pay, and one sabbatical leave request. For information, four retirements are also included in the list of personnel actions. (These recommendations are listed beginning on page D-3 of the OSU Agenda, which is on file in the Board of Regents' Office as Document No. 1-12-6-13.

Regent Burns moved and Regent Anthony seconded to approve the personnel actions as listed in the OSU Agenda.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# Approval of Program Modifications

Dr. Fry presented program modifications for the OSU-Stillwater and OSU-OKC campuses. (These modifications are summarized beginning on page E-1 of the OSU Agenda, which is on file in the Board of Regents' Office as Document No. 1-12-6-13.) If approved, a request will be sent to the State Regents for consideration. Board approval is requested at this time.

Regent Davis moved and Regent Lester seconded to approve the program modifications as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

<u>President Hargis requested Vice President Weaver to present information pertaining to</u> <u>Administration and Finance</u>:

# G-1 Approval to Enter Into a Voluntary Partition Agreement and Accept a Gift of Real Property

Mr. Weaver requested Board approval to enter into a voluntary partition agreement and accept a gift of real property. This piece of property will be the completion of voluntary partition and acceptance of a land gift to increase the acreage that OSU intends to use for the OSU Equestrian Facility. The property is located on the south side of Highway 51 around Cow Creek.

Regent Anthony moved and Regent Hall seconded to authorize Oklahoma State University to enter into a voluntary partition agreement that allows necessary actions to take full ownership of a portion of land and to accept a gift of real property of land contained in the partition agreement area as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# G-2 <u>Approval for the President of OSU-CHS and the President of OSU to Execute and Deliver</u> an Amended and Restated Lease Agreement

Mr. Weaver requested Board approval for the President of Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences and the President of Oklahoma State University to execute and deliver an amended and restated lease agreement in substantially the form presented, subject to the review of Board Legal Counsel.

Regent Hall moved and Regent Anthony seconded to authorize the President of Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences and the President of Oklahoma State University to execute and deliver an amended and restated lease agreement in substantially the form presented, subject to the review of Board Legal Counsel.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# I-1 Approval to Demolish Obsolete Agriculture Building

Mr. Weaver requested Board approval to demolish obsolete Agriculture buildings on the OSU-Stillwater campus. These structures need to be cleared and are no longer of service to the University. It will make room for grazing land.

Regent Anthony asked if this is the property that is near Highway 33 in the Perkins area. Mr. Weaver said this is correct.

Regent Anthony moved and Regent Hall seconded to approve the demolition of obsolete Agriculture buildings on the OSU-Stillwater campus as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# I-2 <u>Approval to Begin Selection Process for an Engineering Firm to Assist the University in</u> the Preparation of a Utilities Master Plan

Mr. Weaver requested Board approval to begin the selection process for an engineering firm to assist the University in the preparation of a comprehensive Utilities Master Plan for the Stillwater campus. As the Board is aware, OSU has been planning to take down the Central Plant at its current location and make some improvements to its chilled water and steam distribution systems. As OSU has developed and changed its Campus Master Plan and the location of buildings, it is believed it is necessary to get some expertise to help OSU get the right size of pipes and the location of a future steam and chilled water facility. OSU would like to bring a firm in to help OSU do that planning exercise to make sure everything is done properly.

Chairman Link asked if this involves the old power plant. Mr. Weaver responded affirmatively. In addition, when OSU did the wind deal with OG&E, part of that deal was the commitment of a second OG&E substation. OSU needs assistance as to where to place the substation. Mr. Weaver said there are a lot of things OSU needs to consider as a whole, and it is believed an

overall utility master plan is needed. OSU would like to get an engineering firm to help OSU work through all the issues and make sure the campus is set up well for the next 20-30 years.

Regent Hall said based on conversations he has had and the age of OSU's current Central Plant, which is almost 70 years old, he would offer a motion regarding the request to begin the selection process.

Regent Hall moved and Regent Reese seconded to authorize Oklahoma State University to begin the selection process for an engineering firm to assist the University in the preparation of a comprehensive Utilities Master Plan for the Stillwater campus.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# I-3 <u>Approval to Begin the Selection Process for an Architect to Assist the University with the</u> <u>Development of a Programming Plan for a New Animal Physiology Building</u>

Mr. Weaver requested Board approval to begin the selection process for an architectural firm to assist the University with the preparation of a programming plan for a new Animal Physiology Building to be located west of the main campus. In a previous conversation, a total project cost of approximately \$50 million was addressed; however, based on more current discussions, it is anticipated to be a \$20-\$30 million project. Once the planning exercise has been completed and an architect hired to develop the plan, more will be known about the cost. (A handout was presented regarding the Animal Nutrition and Physiology Research Center, which is attached to OSU's portion of the minutes as ATTACHMENT D.)

Regent Hall said his understanding is that the request is authorizing the selection process for an Architect to assist OSU with the development of the programming plan. Mr. Weaver said this is correct. Regent Hall said he has toured the facilities and agrees with the request.

Regent Hall moved and Regent Reese seconded to authorize Oklahoma State University to begin the selection process for an architectural firm to assist the University with the preparation of a programming plan for a new Animal Physiology Building to be located west of the main campus.

Regent Anthony said he believes this is a needed project. Chairman Link asked Regent Hall if based on his observation of the existing facility he believes it needs to come down. Regent Hall responded affirmatively. Chairman Link asked what other universities would have a comparable facility to what OSU wishes to construct. Interim Dean Mike Woods said North Dakota State University has a comparable facility as well as Louisiana State University. Those facilities have been viewed. Chairman Link said while he is not suggesting the same kind of money be spent,

he pointed out the results that the outstanding football stadium has brought to the University. He said his question is where that would put OSU's facility and if there are other facilities that would be comparable. Dr. Woods said he thought about this on the way to the meeting and noted that facilities alone certainly do not lead to excellence, but an outstanding facility would allow OSU to attract faculty, graduate students, etc. The livestock sector is an extremely significant sector in the State of Oklahoma. In order to keep up with its peers, it would be a reasonable approach and certainly is consistent with the long range goals of the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. Chairman Link said in some of the conversations he has had, the facility would include all animal breeds. Dr. Woods said this is correct and said it is all species and would also allow for potential cooperation with multiple colleges—the College of Human Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine, and the College of Arts and Sciences. It will provide potential collaboration across the University.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# I-4 Approval to Select an On-Call Construction Manager At Risk to Assist the University with Renovations to the Colvin Center to Create a Functional Training Center

Mr. Weaver requested Board approval to select an on-call Construction Manager At Risk to assist the University with renovations to the Colvin Center to create a functional training center for the Stillwater campus. The plan is to take four racquetball courts off line and convert those to additional workout space. The student spaces are utilized so heavily that the Colvin Center staff feels the need to expand that area. The racquetball courts are not as heavily used as in the past. The reason why OSU wants to utilize the on-call Construction Manager At Risk is to hopefully get the project completed before next fall. The project is estimated to cost approximately \$1 million.

Regent Hall said based on the previous renovation work in the Colvin Center and the performance of the on-call Construction Manager At Risk, he would offer a motion.

Regent Hall moved and Regent Davis seconded to select Nabholz Construction, Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the on-call Construction Manager At Risk to assist the University with renovations to the Colvin Center to create a functional training center for the Stillwater campus.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

J <u>Purchase Requests</u>

Mr. Weaver presented the purchase requests and recommended their approval. (The purchase requests are listed on pages 6-7 of the OSU Agenda, which is on file in the Board of Regents' Office as Document No. 1-12-6-13.) He requested approval to purchase the items as listed, subject to the availability of funds and/or the limitations of the budget.

Mr. Weaver referenced purchase request No. 4 regarding the custodial outsourcing opportunity. He said Rick Krysiak is present to discuss this item if needed.

Regent Hall moved and Regent Anthony seconded to approve the purchase items in sections J-1, J-2, and J-3 as presented in the OSU Agenda.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Regent Hall noted that during discussions regarding the food and beverages concessions agreement that there is a need, as was discussed with Mr. Weaver, to pursue any efficiencies that could be created by a consolidation of contracts with all the A&M institutions, specifically Sodexo, or the food and beverage providers that are on the campuses across the State. He said the Board is expecting some sort of summary or analysis of those agreements and the possibility of streamlining those to enhance the overall operation.

Regent Anthony said every A&M campus utilizes Sodexo. While the Board did not want to hold back OSU's contract, there was considerable interest in trying to see if there would be economies of scale that could benefit the other schools. He said his expectation is that at some point the Board will have the numbers and information that will allow the Regents to look and see how those compare. Regent Anthony said he is aware each school is a little different in some respect. Mr. Weaver said Sharon Toy and Rick Krysiak will start working on those numbers.

For the benefit of the other presidents in the room, Chairman Link said it is about getting a better opportunity and being more efficient in optimizing operations. He said the cooperation of the institutions with Vice President Weaver will be greatly appreciated.

The business of Oklahoma State University being concluded, President Hargis and members of the OSU administration were then excused from the meeting.

ATTACHMENT A

#### **MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, it has been called to the attention of the Board of Regents for Oklahoma State University and the Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges that William R. Venable, Associate Professor, Retired, Educational Studies, College of Education, was claimed by death on October 10, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Venable, by his loyalty, attention to duty, and faithful performance rendered service as a faculty member of Oklahoma State University from August 1, 1982, to the date of his retirement, February 1, 2013, and as a citizen worthy of commemoration and respect; and

WHEREAS, his friends and Oklahoma State University have suffered irreparable loss in his passing:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES:

THAT it takes this method to express its appreciation for the years of useful service rendered by Dr. Venable to the State of Oklahoma and its citizens, to express respect to his memory, and to extend to the family its deep sympathy in the loss sustained, and to state that the Board and every member thereof respectfully join the friends of the deceased in mourning the passing of one of Oklahoma State University's faculty members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy sent to the family of Dr. Venable.

Adopted by the Board the 6th day of December 2013.

Tucker Link, Chair

#### ATTACHMENT B

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RICHARD H. CARMONA, M.D., M.P.H., FACS 17th Surgeon General of the United States (2002-2006)

December 3, 2013

My name is Richard Carmona, and I served as the 17<sup>th</sup> Surgeon General of the United States. As we approach the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Surgeon General's Report linking smoking and cancer, the plague of tobacco-caused death and disability still persists, killing over 430,000 Americans per year, while disabling millions more with preventable chronic diseases at a cost of hundreds of billions of dollars annually.

As a child I suffered from recurrent bouts of bronchitis living with unaware, chain-smoking parents whose deaths were hastened by tobacco as their quality of life slowly and painfully diminished. During my tenure as Surgeon General, my colleagues and I published reports detailing the preventable harm done by tobacco, spoke frequently to the public and to Congress about the catastrophic health damage caused by tobacco, and even participated as an expert witness in the federal government's case against the tobacco industry. I am particularly proud of my authorship of the 2006 Surgeon General's report on secondhand smoke, in which I wrote: "The debate is over. The science is clear: secondhand smoke is not a mere annoyance, but a serious health hazard that causes premature death and disease in children and non smoking adults."

Yet despite my actions and those of my predecessors like Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, high cigarette taxes, Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved smoking cessation therapies, and the best educational efforts by public health professionals, nearly 20% of the adult population and one-third of our military service members continue to smoke. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that adult smokers usually know they are engaged in harmful behavior and 69% would like to reduce or quit smoking. However, each year only 6% of smokers succeed in quitting, and new smokers replace those who successfully quit. The history and data suggest that we need more viable alternatives in this fight against tobacco.

Vice Chairman Canyon Ranch

Chief Executive Officer Conyon Ranch Health President Canyon Ranch Institute Distinguished Professor Zuckerman College of Public Health University of Arizona

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I believe that one such alternative is the electronic cigarette. Despite their unfortunate name, electronic cigarettes are not actually cigarettes. They contain no tobacco but rather deliver nicotine without all of the toxic, carcinogenic, and other disease-causing products of tobacco combustion. (For example, they produce no carbon monoxide (a particularly lethal constituent of secondhand tobacco smoke) and produce no sidestream emissions (a source of 85% of secondhand tobacco smoke)). The published research suggests there may be a significant role for electronic cigarettes in tobacco harm reduction strategies, since they provide smokers both with the nicotine they crave and the smoking rituals that they have grown accustomed too. Respected Wall Street analysts have opined that, within a decade, electronic cigarette sales could overtake tobacco sales. I recently joined the board of NJOY, the leading independent electronic cigarette company, because its ambitions are even higher — to obsolete the tobacco cigarette entirely.

I am extremely concerned that a well-intentioned but scientifically un-supported effort like the current proposal to include electronic cigarettes in New York's current smoking ban, could constitute a giant step backward in the effort to defeat tobacco smoking. This regulation, if passed, would disincentivize smokers from switching to electronic cigarettes, since NJOY's research indicates that many initially switch for reasons of convenience. It would also send the unintended message to smokers that electronic cigarettes are as dangerous as tobacco smoking with the result that many will simply continue to smoke their current toxic products. Legislative action that would keep smokers smoking would obviously have serious health consequences.

I know that we all share the same vision of a world without tobacco related illness and disease. I strongly encourage you to resist calls to include electronic cigarettes in the City's smoking ban, which I believe would be a major step backward in the effort to achieve this aim.

Sincerely,

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Richard Carmona, M.D., M.P.H., FACS 17th Surgeon General of the United States

# Animal Nutrition and Physiology Research Center

# Department of Animal Science Oklahoma State University



"To meet increased global demand for meat, milk, and eggs, livestock and poultry producers will need to increase production efficiency in an environmentally sustainable and socially acceptable manner. Therefore, research priorities must be defined to maximize return on investment and increase total amount and availability of federal research funding."

Food Animal Integrated Research, 2012



#### The Challenge

The Nutrition Physiology Research Center is almost 40 years old and is in need of major repairs and renovation. The roof needs to be replaced, heating and cooling systems are inadequate or nonfunctional, odor control is a major issue, and waste removal is a constant problem. In addition, the poultry facility was removed for construction of a new IT Center. A facility for intensive research utilizing individual animals and modern technology is necessary to enhance sustainability and efficiency of animal production, and increase our competitiveness for dual-purpose grants using farm animals as models for biomedical research. The ability of the Animal Science Research Program to provide excellent research experiences for graduate and undergraduate students, enhance profitability of the animal industries and increase competitiveness of rural communities, and to increase collaborative research with scientists on campus, throughout Oklahoma, and nationally, will be augmented by a modern Animal Nutrition and Physiology Research Center. The new facility will replace the inadequate Nutrition Physiology Research Center, meet the needs created by demolition of the poultry farm, and create new opportunities for cutting-edge research.

#### **The Future**

The Animal Nutrition and Physiology Center will be a state-of-the-art facility dedicated for conducting animal research primarily in the areas of animal and human health, genetics, growth, nutrition, reproduction, and well-being to address issues related to climate change, food safety and sustainability. The facility will be able to house a variety of animals from mice to cattle. Animal research at the facility will take place in individual pens or stanchions, flexible penning arrangements, and from farrowing crates to group pens for swine. Environmentally controlled rooms will be available for research related to climate change. In addition, the facility will contain a surgical unit with a surgery room and a post-operative room, small classroom, bench top laboratory, and a feed center to mix specialized feed rations.

#### **Program Needs**

Species to be studied:

• bovine, ovine, porcine, avian, laboratory animals

#### Pen sizes:

- individual stanchions and group pens to accommodate animals of all sizes
- metabolism stalls for collection of total gaseous emissions, feces, urine



#### **Environment:**

- temperature controlled (total building 60 to 80°F)
- specialized rooms or chambers with total climate control (25 to 100°F)
- equipment for animal gas emission measurements

#### Waste removal:

• manure flush system

Surgery room to accommodate:

large cattle, sheep and swine

#### Wet laboratory for:

- sample preparation
- processing blood samples, etc.

#### Dry laboratory for:

- grinding of feed
- manure
- forage samples

#### Equipment for:

• mixing small batches of feed

#### Isolation rooms for:

• poultry and small animals under BSL-2 conditions

#### **Specialized equipment**

Autoclave, anesthesia machine(s), surgery table(s), centrifuge, balances and scales, small batch feed mixer, sample drying ovens

#### Regulations

The Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching, Third Edition, 2010, developed by FASS will be used to determine requirement for space and environment for the different



species and classes of animals. In addition requirements by specific funding agencies for management of research animals will be utilized.

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#### OKLAHOMA PANHANDLE STATE UNIVERSITY, GOODWELL, OKLAHOMA

Dr. David Bryant, President, appeared before the Board of Regents to present the business of Oklahoma Panhandle State University and review the Agenda for members of the Board. Dr. Bryant said he would like to thank Dr. Smith and his staff for the great hospitality. He noted that several people arrived very early getting everything ready and warmed up.

Dr. Bryant reported that the OPSU refunding request for the Aggie Apartments, LLC, in the amount of \$5.8 million was approved at the October 31, 2013, Bond Council meeting. The Oklahoma Bond Authority is scheduling the sale of bonds for this project after January 1, 2014. He noted that OPSU is making good progress on that.

Dr. Bryant further reported that nine OPSU students were named as recipients of the 2013 FFA American Degree; Robert Etbauer, OPSU Assistant Rodeo Coach, and his brothers were recently inducted into the Rodeo Hall of Fame; the OSPU Hispanic American Leadership Organization celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month on campus this fall; and the OPSU Men's Rodeo Team finished the fall season in first place in the Central Plains Region.

#### Personnel Actions

Dr. Bryant said he overlooked a personnel action that should have been presented at the September Board meeting. He requested Board approval to hire Dr. Sandol Johnson as Associate Professor of Animal Science at a salary of \$50,000, which is a nine-month, tenure track position. Dr. Bryant said Dr. Johnson held a similar position at OPSU from 1983 to 1994 and did an excellent job for OPSU during that time. Most recently, Dr. Johnson was Food Science and Safety Coordinator for the North Carolina Bio-Network. The effective date of hire was August 12, 2013.

Regent Lester moved and Regent Milner seconded to approve the appointment of Dr. Sandol Johnson as Associate Professor of Animal Science as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

The business of Oklahoma Panhandle State University being concluded, Dr Bryant was then excused from the meeting.

#### OKLAHOMA PANHANDLE STATE UNIVERSITY Goodwell, Oklahoma

November 27, 2013

Board of Regents for Oklahoma A & M Colleges

Dear Board Members,

Subject to the budgetary limitations and availability of funds, the following expenditures are submitted for Board Approval with purchases to be coordinated through the Board Purchasing Office.

# Part A ---- General Information/Reports Requiring No Action By the Board

The OPSU refunding request for the Aggie Apartments, LLC in the amount of \$5,800,000 was approved at the October 31, 2013, Bond Council meeting.

The Oklahoma Bond Authority is scheduling the sale of bonds for our project after January 1, 2014.

#### Part B---Resolutions

None

# Part C---Policy and Operational Procedures

None

#### Part D---Personnel Actions

Board approval is requested for the hiring of Dr. Sandol Johnson as associate professor of animal science at a salary of \$50,000. This is a 9-month, tenure track position.

Dr. Johnson held a similar position at OPSU from 1983 to 1994 and most recently was Food Science and Safety Coordinator for the North Carolina Bio-Network.

This request should have been submitted at the August Board meeting but was overlooked. The effective date was August 12, 2013.

#### Part E---Instructional Programs

None

## Part F---Budgetary Actions

None
#### Part G---Other Business and Financial Matters

None

#### Part H---Contractual Agreements (other than construction and renovation)

None

# Part I---New Construction or Renovation of Facilities

None

# Part J----Purchase Requests

None

# Part K----Student Services/Activities

None

#### Part L---New Business Unforeseen At Time Agenda Was Posted

None

#### Part M---Other Information Matters Not Requiring Action of the Board

- 1. Nine OPSU students have been named as recipients of the 2013 FFA American Degree.
- 2. Robert Etbauer, OPSU Assistant Rodeo Coach, and his brothers Dan and Billy were recently inducted into the Rodeo Hall of Fame.
- 3. The OPSU Hispanic American Leadership Organization (HALO) celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month on campus and in the community from September 15<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 4. The OPSU Men's Rodeo Team finished the fall season in first place in the Central Plains Region.
- 5. The October and November President's Update Newsletters are attached.
- 6. The October 2013 Summary of Out-of-State Travel report is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryant

David A. Bryant President

# **President's Update**

A monthly newsletter from the Office of the President

October 2013

#### **Events**

Events	
Oct. 17-18	Fall Break
Oct. 17	Volleyball vs. Dallas Baptist
	University, 7 p.m., Pink Out
Oct. 19	Volleyball vs. University of
	Arkansas- Fort Smith, Noon
Oct. 22	Noche De Gala at the Student
	Union Ballroom, 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 24-26	<b>Dorm of Doom</b> at Muller Hall,
& 28-31	8 p.m. to Midnight,
	Admission: \$10
Oct. 26	Goat Tying Clinic, Doc Gardner
001.10	Arena
Oct. 27	Goat Tying and Breakaway
000.27	Jackpot, Doc Gardner Arena,
	10 a.m.
Oct. 31	
001. 31	SOEA Halloween Bake Sale,
	Student Union Hallway,
0.4.91	11 a.m 1 p.m.
Oct. 31	Nightmare at the Museum,
	(ghost stories), No Man's Land
	Historical Museum, 5-8 p.m., Free
0 1 01	Admission
Oct. 31	Safe Trick-or-Treating, Holter
0	Hall, 6-8 p.m.
Oct. 31	Volleyball vs. St. Edward's
	University, 7 p.m., Costume
N7 1	Contest
Nov. 1	Volleyball vs. McMurry
NI O	University, 6 p.m.
Nov. 2	Aggie Preview Day,
	Centennial Theatre, 11 a.m.
Nov. 2	7th Annual OPSU Chili Cook-
	off, Judging at 11 a.m. in the
	parking lot west of Oscar Williams
	Fieldhouse. Find entry forms and
	more info on our website under
	the Downloads link.
Nov. 2	Football vs. Langston, 2 p.m.
Nov. 3	Men's Basketball Exhibition
	Game vs. New Mexico All Stars,
	7 p.m.
Nov. 6	Spring Enrollment Opens
Nov. 9	Women's Basketball vs.
	Cameron, 2 p.m.
Nov. 12	FFA Interscholastics

The Paul Tucker Memorial Scholarship was recently established through the **Panhandle State Foundation**. This scholarship will be given starting with the 2014-2015 school year and will be available to a freshman entering OPSU with a minimum 3.0 GPA majoring in Computer Science.

Bred and raised by the OPSU Equine Department, Docs Scarlett Rooster "Rooster" and OPSU Sparlin Gin "Tonic" along with their owners earned top finishes at the Kansas State Fair held Sept. 6-15, 2013, in Hutchinson, Kan.

The living legends, cowboy trio of Robert, Billy and Dan Etbauer, were inducted into the Rodeo Hall of Fame during the Rodeo Hall of Fame Weekend held Sept. 27-28 in Oklahoma City at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum. **Robert Etbauer** is the assistant Rodeo Coach at OPSU.

This year nine OPSU students have been named as recipients of the 2013 FFA American Degree, and will be recognized at the eighth general session of the 86th National FFA Convention & Expo in November.

Congratulations to the "Doc" Gardner Family as this year's Panhandle State Association of Alumni and Friends Honored Family. "Doc" was an OPSU professor and rodeo coach for more than 30 years.

The beef bulls consigned to the **62nd Annual OPSU Bull Performance Test** were weighed on test Oct. 11, 2013. The test runs for 112 days during which data will be kept on a variety of characteristics. The test ends February 1, 2014, and the bulls will sell in the 62nd Annual OPSU Bull Test Sale on February 24, 2013. Those interested in following the performance of the bulls during the test can contact Gwen Martin at (580) 349-1500 or e-mail gwen@opsu.edu.

#### OPSU Featured Face Dara Short

One of the friendliest faces on campus can be found in the OPSU Admission's Office. Dara Short is an Admission Counselor/ Concurrent Enrollment Coordinator at OPSU.

Dara's understanding smile has become familiar to many students, faculty and staff throughout her time at OPSU. To many her impact is far greater than her fast and accurate help with admission concerns. Students and staff members alike know of Dara's willingness to help. Dara is quick to lend a listening ear or share a laugh and many will agree it's hard to leave her office without a smile.

Goodwell and OPSU are home to Dara. After a successful high school basketball career earning All-Conference honors for four years, Dara graduated as the salutatorian in her class at Goodwell High School in 1999. Her passion for rodeo kept her right here in Goodwell where she graduated Magna Cum Laude with dual majors in Business Administration (Marketing Option) and Computer Information Systems in May of 2004, but not before enjoying an outstanding college rodeo career. Although her honors are too numerous to list, it may be summed up best with her three trips to the College National Finals Rodeo.

Dara began working at OPSU as a student her freshman year of college in the Student Activities Office and later moved to the High School and Community Relations Office. She began her full-time employment at OPSU in August of 2004 in the mailroom before moving to the Admissions Office in November of the same year. The combination of much hard work and dedication has placed her in her current position at OPSU. Continually seeking improvements, she strives to have the most effective and well organized admission system possible.

Dara's rodeo career didn't end after college. Recently collecting her fourth Breakaway Roping Year End Championship in the Kansas Professional Rodeo Association (KPRA), this well-known roper has established a dominance with her aggressive style. From Breakaway Roping to Team Roping, she has a house full of saddles and buckles to prove her talent. Many miles on the rodeo road have taken Dara all over and one of her next stops is Las Vegas, Nevada in December where she will rope in The World Series of Team Roping with her uncle.

Dara loves spending time with her family every chance she gets. Also an OPSU graduate, her dad Dawayne works as a loan officer at Anchor D Bank in Texhoma. Dara's mom is another well-known face at OPSU working as the Head Cashier in the Business Office. Her older sister, Tanya and her sister's husband, Travis, graduated from OPSU and currently teach in Reydon, Okla. They have two kids who Dara loves to spoil. Kyler is 8 and Kynlee is 4. Dara is engaged to Kyle Belew and they are planning a March 2014 wedding. Kyle is a Project Engineer at DeBourgh Manufacturing in La Junta, Colo. Dara is looking forward to what the future has in store.





Dara is planning a March 2014 wedding to Kyle Belew.

Dara loves spending time with her nephew (Kyler, 8) and niece (Kynlee, 4).



Dara won her fourth Breakaway Roping Year End Championship in the Kansas Professional Rodeo Association this Fall. -Photo Courtesy David Seymore

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David A. Bryant, President

# **President's Update**

A monthly newsletter from the Office of the President

November 2013

# **Campus Events**

Nov. 19	Women's Basketball vs.
	West Texas A&M, 5:30 p.m.
	Men's Basketball vs. West Texas
	A&M, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 19-20	Coffee Memorial Blood Drive,
	Student Union Ballroom,
	11 a.m 6 p.m.
Nov. 19-	Aggies "Can" Make a Difference
Dec. 7	Food Drive-Bring a canned or
	non-perishable food item to the
	home basketball games.
Nov. 27-29	Thanksgiving Break, No classes
	WedFri. and offices will be closed
	Thurs. and Fri.
<b>Dec.</b> 2	Women's Basketball vs.
	Southwestern Oklahoma State
	Univ., 5:30 p.m.
Dec. 3	Band and Choir Holiday
	Concert, Centennial Theatre,
	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 3	Feliz Navidad Faculty/Staff
	Holiday Lunch, SU Ballroom,
	11:30 a.m1 p.m.
<b>Dec. 5</b>	Women's Basketball vs.
	St. Mary's, 5:30 p.m.
<b>Dec.</b> 7	Women's Basketball vs.
	Texas A&M International,
13	2 p.m.
Dec. 9-12	Final Exams

Senior **Gideon Busienei** raced his way to allconference honors at The Heartland Conference Cross Country Meet held Oct. 26 in Mansfield, Texas. Busienei finished 17th overall with an 8k time of 26:24.0.

The cowboys of the **OPSU Rodeo Team** had a standout performance at the final fall rodeo in Alva, winning five individual titles plus the team championship. The strong fall finish gave the OPSU Men's Team a commanding lead in the Central Plains Region standings.

Senior Recognition was held for all the senior student-athletes of the fall sports. Volleyball players, Jessica DeBaun and Melissa Marshall, were recognized prior to their final home match against St. Edward's University. At the final home football game, senior football players, senior cheerleaders and senior cross country runners were recognized. Senior football players include: James Blaise (DL), Keidrick Brewster (DB), Dekerrian Cooper (DB), Marcus Dimando (OL), Kei Harris (LB), Cameron Hickey (OL), Antonio Mendoza (P), Carlos Nieto (K), and Lance Quintana (WR). Senior Cheerleaders include Matthew Blakesly and John Hein; and Cross Country seniors recognized were Gideon Busienei, Bill Lee, Mike Wiebe, Whitley Coca, Kori Hamm, and Teenie Kent.

Congratulations to the winners of the 7th Annual Chili Cook-off! First place honors went to the Goodwell Fire Department, second place went to OPSU HALO (Hispanic American Leadership Organization) and in third place was PTCI who also took home the Best Presentation Award. People's Choice award went to Anchor D Bank for the fourth consecutive year. Thank you to everyone who participated!

OPSU Upward Bound students and staff hosted the first Annual Memorial "Lymphing for Lori" 5K and Fun Run on November 9. The event was held in memory of Lori Underwood who served as the Upward Bound Program Facilitator at OPSU. This year all proceeds from the event went towards her sons' education fund.

The AITP Region 3 2013 Student Conference held in Oklahoma City was a great success for OPSU students who finished third place overall as a team. The team will compete at the AITP National Conference in Atlanta, Ga. on April 10-13.

Students from universities across Oklahoma gathered at the Oklahoma State Capitol on Saturday, November 2, 2013, for the Oklahoma Student Government Association (OSGA) 2013 Fall Congress. Eva Dye, Josh Hogge and Ben Rose represented the OPSU student body.

# **Featured Faces**

# **OPSU Student Ambassadors**

Every year, many eager high school students visit OPSU in search of the perfect fit for their college education. The staff of the High School and Community Relations (HSCR) Office work very hard to make this experience both informative and enjoyable. OPSU Student Ambassadors play an important part in this recruiting process.

At the beginning of each year, the HSCR staff goes through an extensive selection process in search of highly qualified students to represent OPSU in various public relations activities.

Ambassadors are expected to be available to conduct campus tours, host campus activities, speak to community groups and agencies, attend various events on behalf of the college, as well as assist in registration, orientation and student activities.

To apply students must fill out an application. Upon review of the applications, candidates are selected to be interviewed. Finally, Student Ambassadors are named.

In order to apply students must have full-time enrollment status and a grade point average of at least 2.5. Students must exhibit a visible display of leadership, friendliness, effective communication skills, and responsibility as well as good standing in the community.

Once the ambassadors are chosen, they are given a calendar with certain weeks assigned in which they check in at the HSCR office and help with office work such as preparing recruitment packets or helping with large mail-outs. Additional duties include campus tours for individuals as well as large groups.

The ambassadors make it possible for HSCR to host large events on campus such as Preview Day and Senior Day. Prospective students are always excited to get a first-hand point-of-view from an OPSU student.

Each ambassador brings something special to the program, with many of them representing a different area of the college and each having their own career goals and experiences. This year's Student Ambassadors are: Meagan Bell, Happy, Texas; Sara Colentz, Gunnison, Colo.; Christina Kent, Richfield, Idaho; Presley Lamberson, Mishawaka, Ind.; Ryan Schlobohm, Goodwell, Okla.; Kashly Schweer, Garden City, Kan.; Tawni Smith, Cheyenne, Okla; Tyler Stephens, Fowler. Colo.; Megan Taylor, Rolla, Kan.; Marco Valencia, Keyes, Okla; and Shelbie Weeder, Holly, Colo.

**OPSU Student Ambassadors** 



2013 Aggie Preview Day



**OPSU** College Fair



Preparing recruitment packets

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David A. Bryant, President

#### OKLAHOMA PANHANDLE STATE UNIVERSITY INSTITUTION

# SUMMARY OF OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL AS OF

#### Oct-13 MONTH

	FY14 FY13		FY14		FY13			
	TRAVEL	THIS MONTH	CORRESPON	IDING MONTH	TRAVEL THIS YEAR		CORRESPO	NDING YEAR
FUND	NUMBER	AMOUNT	NUMBER	AMOUNT	NUMBER	AMOUNT	NUMBER	AMOUNT
SOURCE	OF TRIPS	EXPENDED	OF TRIPS	EXPENDED	OF TRIPS	EXPENDED	OF TRIPS	EXPENDED
REVOLVING								
ST APPRO	15	\$ 2,981.56	20	\$ 5,276.30	48	\$ 16,211.39	45	\$ 16,139.75
FEDERAL					0	\$-		
PRIVATE								
AUXILIARY	2	\$ 273.59	1	\$ 123.65	~ 11	\$ 2,197.88	5	\$ 1,897.99
OTHER		\$ -		\$ -				
TOTAL	17	\$ 3,255.15	21	\$ 5,399.95	59	\$ 18,409.27	50	\$ 18,037.74

#### NORTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA A&M COLLEGE, MIAMI, OKLAHOMA

Dr. Jeff Hale, President, appeared before the Board of Regents to present the business of Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College and review the Agenda for members of the Board. Dr. Hale said he was also disappointed that the festivities at Langston had to be cancelled last evening because he looks forward to seeing the students perform.

Dr. Hale said he, too, brought something to present to Mr. Drake to recognize him for his service, which includes a cast of a replica of the Norseman statue on the NEO campus. It was casted by Dr. Nick Calcagno, a longtime art administrator and faculty member of NEO. Chairman Link noted that Mr. Strande has agreed to gather the items to be presented to Mr. Drake and will present those to him.

For the record, Dr. Hale said he would like to say what an honor and privilege it is to be a colleague of President Kent Smith. He said he believes the State of Oklahoma and Langston University are very fortunate to have his talent and energy, and his observation is that Dr. Smith is doing a great job at Langston University.

Dr. Hale presented the *NEO Update* and noted that the cover page highlights NEO's Fifth Annual Top Ten Freshmen Award program. He noted that there were only 13 applications the first year of this award, and this past year NEO had close to 70 applications for this honor. He said he is always impressed that the students who receive the award come from all over the country and sometimes from around the world.

Dr. Hale further reported that NEO's Foundation held its annual fall fundraiser and raised about \$35,000, which is the largest amount that it has cleared in the 14-year history of that event; NEO hosted for the first time Manufacturing Day, which involved several schools, businesses, and industries coming to campus for that event; and Phi Theta Kappa, the oldest honorary two-year college society in America hosted its 87<sup>th</sup> induction ceremony.

Dr. Hale said NEO's Livestock Judging Team participated in the North American International Livestock Expedition in Louisville, Kentucky, and broke the record in the cattle division. This is a very big honor. The team placed fourth overall out of 22 schools at that national competition. Dr. Hale said he is very proud of Tyler Dewey and the good work he has done with that program, and he also expressed appreciation to Chairman Link for his support.

Dr. Hale said he recently received a letter from the Shawnee Tribe of Northeastern Oklahoma that indicated it was the recipient of an \$875,000 U.S. Department of Education grant for the Science-Technology-Engineering-Math (STEM) Initiative. He said three years ago the Board approved NEO's request to offer a new program called Process Technology, which is a manufacturing-based degree program. Two years ago NEO began offering classes for this program, and this past spring NEO graduated its first two students. Since that time, NEO received a \$150,000 grant from the Department of Labor, and with this pass-through grant from the Shawnee Tribe of \$875,000, NEO topped \$1 million in federal grants in a two-year period

Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College - 2

for a program NEO started without any full-time faculty. These funds will allow NEO to hire its first full-time faculty members and provide approximately \$250,000 in additional lab equipment.

Dr. Hale said the last few Board meetings he has highlighted an area on campus of which he wanted to make the Board aware. He said NEO's reputation is that of a very traditional transfer school with young people primarily coming to NEO to get two years of degree credit work and then transferring to OSU, Northeastern State University, or Pitt State University in Kansas. However, he noted that each year about 30 percent of NEO's graduates come from NEO's applied science degree programs. He said community colleges and two-year colleges play an important role in work force development, and he said he probably underestimated to some degree the magnitude that NEO has played in that area.

# Ratification of Interim Approval

Dr. Hale requested ratification of interim approval to pay the Property Insurance Premium of \$111,373.80 to Risk Management. If the premium was not paid before December 2, 2013, the result would be an increase of \$11,179.71. Dr. Hale said the invoice was not received in time to include on the October 25, 2013, Agenda.

Regent Burns moved and Regent Davis seconded to ratify interim approval granted by the Chief Executive Officer to pay the Property Insurance Premium of \$111,373.80 to Risk Management as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

# Balance of Agenda

Regent Lester moved and Regent Milner seconded to approve the balance of the Agenda, subject to the availability of funds and/or the limitations of the budget. (The Agenda is attached.)

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

The business of Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College being concluded, Dr. Hale was then excused from the meeting.

#### NORTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA A&M COLLEGE Miami, Oklahoma December 6, 2013

Board of Regents for OSU and the A&M Colleges Stillwater, Oklahoma

Dear Board Members:

Subject to budgetary limitations and availability of funds, the following expenditures are submitted for Board approval with purchases to be coordinated through the Board Purchasing Officer, Oklahoma State University. We recommend the following business for your consideration and approval.

#### PART A - GENERAL INFORMATION/REPORTS REQUIRING NO ACTION BY THE BOARD

- 1. <u>President's Remarks</u>
  - a. November 2013 "NEO Update"
  - b. Shawnee Tribe U.S.D.E. \$875,000 Grant Award

Science-Technology-Engineering-Math (STEM) Initiative:

- December 2010 A&M Board of Regents approved NEO's request to offer a Process Technology Degree Program
- September 2011 OSRHE approved Process Technology Degree Program
- Fall 2011 First Process Technology courses are offered
- Fall 2011 NEO A&M College secured Dept. of Labor Grant to purchase \$150,000 worth of lab equipment
- Spring 2013 First graduates from Process Technology program
- Fall 2013 Shawnee Tribe & NEO secure \$875,000 Dept. of Education Grant for Process Technology

The Native American Career and Technical Education grant (NACTEP) will provide:

- First full-time Process Technology faculty member
- Career Placement Services
- \$220,000 in additional lab equipment
- Training Services for area manufacturers

# PART A - GENERAL INFORMATION/REPORTS REQUIRING NO ACTION BY THE BOARD

#### 1. President's Remarks (Cont'd)

c. Workforce Development Degrees Awarded

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Construction Technology	0	0	0	0	3
Computer Science	б	6	7	13	9
Equine & Ranch Mgmt.	6	10	10	10	13
Business Admin. Technology	9	11	13	13	11
Medical Lab Tech	9	5	8	7	17
Nursing	63	74	64	66	53
Physical Therapy Assistant	11	15	13	12	13
Process Technology	0	0	0	0	2
Total	104	121	115	121	121



d. <u>Recognition of Charles Drake</u>

# PART B - RESOLUTIONS

None

# PART C - POLICY AND OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

None

December 6, 2013

#### PART D - PERSONNEL ACTIONS

None

#### PART E - INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

None

#### PART F - BUDGETARY ACTIONS

None

#### PART G - OTHER BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

#### 1. <u>Commission of Campus Police Officer</u>

We request commissioning of Campus Police Officer, Tony Moore, to be effective November 1, 2013. Officer Moore is CLEET certified.

#### PART H - CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS (other than construction and renovation)

#### 1. Request for Increased Cost for Contract with Crawford and Associates

At the April 26, 2013 Board meeting, the Board approved for NEO A&M College to enter into a contract with Crawford and Associates for support related to year-end close and work paper preparation. The estimated cost was \$30 - \$35,000. Right before the year-end close and audit preparation process began, the NEO controller resigned. As a result of that resignation and the addition of some new disclosure requirements in 2013, the estimate proved to be low. Board approval is requested for an additional \$8,540.26 (\$43,540.26 total) which will provide payment in full.

#### PART I - NEW CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF FACILITIES

None

December 6, 2013

#### PART J - PURCHASE REQUESTS

1. Interim Approval – Risk Management Insurance Payment

We request ratification of previously granted interim approval to pay Risk Management the Property Insurance Premium of \$111,373.80. Failure to pay before December 2, 2013 will result in an increase of \$11,179.71. The invoice was not received in time to include on the October 2013 agenda. Funding will be from the E.&G. Budget.

#### PART K - STUDENT SERVICES/ACTIVITIES

None

#### PART L - NEW BUSINESS UNFORSESEEN AT TIME AGENDA WAS POSTED

None

#### PART M - OTHER INFORMATIONAL MATTERS NOT REQUIRING ACTION OF THE BOARD

1. <u>Out-of-State Travel Summary</u>

The Summary of Out-of-Sate Travel for October 2013 is attached.

2. 2014-15 Academic Calendar

The Academic Calendar for 2014-15 is attached for your information.

3. <u>Student Outreach Solutions (SOSi)</u>

Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College has entered into an agreement with Student Outreach Solutions (SOSi) to perform default and repayment management services. The agreement is under the auspices of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Grace Period and Cohort Management Services initiative. OSRHE is the master buyer of these services for all state system schools or technology centers with a recent cohort default rate in excess of 10 percent. These services will be provided to NEO at no cost to the institution.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hey L. Hale

Dr. Jeffery L. Hale President

# Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College Summary of Out-of-State Travel as of October 2013

Column (1): Travel This Month

Column (3): Amount Expended Current FY

Column (2): Corresponding Month Last FY Column (4): Amount Expended Prior FY

FUND	No. Trips	AMOUNT	No. Trips	AMOUNT	No. Trips	AMT. EXP.	No. Trips	AMT. EXP.
SOURCE		EXPENDED		EXPENDED		CURRENT FY		PRIOR FY
	(1)	(1)	(2)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(4)	(4)
Revolving								
State								
Арргор.	10	2,424.66	9	2,521.16	17	9,486:15	22	10,349,90
Federal	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	6,672.29
Private								
Auxiliary	1	230.75	1	353,44	3	2,808.67	3	2,314.36
Other								
Total	11	2,655.41	10	2,874.60	20	12,294.82	32	19,336.55

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September 23: 2013

Ms. Jodi Hayes Shawnee Tribe PO Box 189 Miami, Oklahoma 74355-0189

Dear Ms. Hayes:

It is my personal pleasure to congratulate you on receiving a grant from the U.S. Department of Education in the amount of \$434,613.

The funds are for the liscal year 2013 NACTEP, Native American Career and Technical Education Program. (84.325K). All administrative, regulatory, and statutory requirements must be met.

I am aware of the time and effort put forth by your organization to secure this award, and I am pleased that you have been chosen as a recipient. If my office may be of any assistance in future endeavors, please do not hesitate to call.

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#### **OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### Return by January 15, 2014

Electronic submission with President's signature is preferred (to sbeauchamp@osrhe.edu).

Institution: Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College

# **ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR 2014-2015**

#### Summer Session (2014):

Semester begins (first day of 8-week classes) 1<sup>st</sup> 4-week session (begins and ends) 2<sup>nd</sup> 4-week session (begins and ends) Please list dates of all holidays and breaks

Semester ends (including final exams) Commencement date (graduation ceremony)

#### Fall Semester (Fall 2014):

Semester begins (first day of 16-week classes) 1<sup>st</sup> 8-week session (begins and ends)

2<sup>nd</sup> 8-week session (begins and ends)

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2<sup>nd</sup> 4 week session begins and ends)
3<sup>rd</sup> 4-week session (begins and ends)
4<sup>th</sup> 4 week session begins and ends)

Please list dates of all holidays and breaks (classes not in session but offices may be open)

Semester ends (including final exams) Commencement date (graduation ceremony)

#### Spring Semester (Spring 2015):

Semester begins (first day of 16-week classes) 1<sup>st</sup> 8-week session (begins and ends)

2<sup>nd</sup> 8-week session (begins and ends)

 $1^{st}$  4-week session (begins and ends)  $2^{nd}$  4 week session begins and ends)

June 2, 2014
June 2, 2014
June 30, 2014
July 4, 2014
July 24, 2014
N/A

June 2, 2014

<u>August 18, 2014</u> <u>August 18, 2014 to</u> October 10, 2014 <u>October 13, 2014 to</u> December 12, 2014

<u>September 1, 2014</u> <u>October 16-17, 2014</u> <u>Nov 26-28, 2014</u>

January 12, 2015 January 12, 2015 to March 13, 2015 March 23, 2015 to May 7, 2015

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Please list dates of all holidays and breaks (classes not in session but office may be open)	<u>March 16 – 20. 2015</u>
Semester ends (including final exams) Commencement date (graduation ceremony)	May 8, 2015 May 7, 2015

<u>Intercessions</u> (classes that meet between regularly scheduled semesters or that meet between summer session and fall semester, between fall semester and spring semester, or between spring semester and summer session):

	Fall 2014 (between summer and fall)	Spring 2015 (between fall and spring)	Summer 2015 (between spring and summer)				
Intersession begins Intersession ends (including final ex	<u>Dec. 15, 2014</u> Jan. 9, 2015_ ams)	<u>May 11, 2015</u> <u>May 29, 2015</u>					
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<u>Alternative Schedules</u> (please describe any alternative schedules)

Jupping Little Date 11-20-13 Signature of President

\*\*\*Note: Spring Break should be scheduled for the week that encompasses the third Wednesday in March\*\*\*

#### CONNORS STATE COLLEGE, WARNER, OKLAHOMA

Dr. Tim Faltyn, President, appeared before the Board of Regents to present the business of Connors State College and review the Agenda for members of the Board.

Dr. Faltyn said Dr. Smith has become a friend and an advisor to him and noted that he does a really good job at the statewide level representing all the presidents. He said Dr. Smith is a resource for everyone.

Dr. Faltyn said he, too, brought something to present to Mr. Drake. He said he has known Mr. Drake for approximately 20 years and said he has been a good advisor to him. He said it was only fitting that Connors present to Mr. Drake something custom made in prison, which is a very nice leather plaque made by Connors' students in its prison program.

Dr. Faltyn presented the *Connors Connection*. One cover features the second annual Alumni & Friends Versatility Ranch Horse Show and a Timed Event Rodeo, which were open for entry to alumni, friends, and the public. The events raised approximately \$40,000. A second cover of *Connors Connection* highlights the various philanthropic projects of different college organizations during the holiday season.

The publication also features freshman Wyatt Smith from Adair, Oklahoma, receiving first place honors in the horse evaluation competition at the 86<sup>th</sup> Annual National FFA Convention; the induction of the second class into the CSC Athletic Hall of Fame, which included Dr. Kayse Shrum receiving the award for softball; the groundbreaking event for the Connors State College Agricultural Hall of Fame, which was attended by Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture Jim Reese as well as Jason Ramsey and Robert White; and Jessica Russell speaking to the Leadership Connors, Class II group.

In addition, Dr. Faltyn reported that the bull test sale was held yesterday. The event was successful with a total of 68 bulls. It had the best average in its history of 51 years of \$3,026 for a total of approximately \$205,000.

#### New Course Approval

Dr. Faltyn requested permission to add English 0114, Academic Literacy, to the course inventory. He said he is excited about the addition of this course because it will help students from the remedial track achieve faster into the college track. He said this request will be forwarded to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

#### Purchase Requests

Dr. Faltyn reported that item J.2. has been stricken from consideration. He said he is currently working with Regent Lester and Mr. Stephens on this matter. He noted that Mr. Stephens, while on his third day in his new position, did a great job. He said he has certainly appreciated his counsel as well as that of Mr. Strande and Ms. Toy to make sure that Connors has that contract payment lined out exactly as it should be. This will be brought back to the Board for approval in January, 2014.

#### Balance of Agenda

Regent Burns moved and Regent Anthony seconded to approve the balance of the Agenda, with the exception of item J.2. which has been withdrawn, subject to the availability of funds and/or the limitations of the budget. (The Agenda is attached.)

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

On behalf of Connors State College, Dr. Faltyn presented gifts to the Regents. He said there are thousands of people in Muskogee and Warner who very much appreciate the Board's support.

The business of Connors State College being concluded, Dr. Faltyn was then excused from the meeting.

# **CONNORS STATE COLLEGE**

Warner, Oklahoma December 6, 2013

Board of Regents for the Oklahoma A&M Colleges Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074

Dear Board Member:

Subject to budgetary limitations and availability of funds, the following expenditures are submitted for Board approval with purchases to be coordinated through the Board Purchasing Officer, Oklahoma State University. We recommend the following business for your consideration and approval.

#### A. <u>GENERAL INFORMATION REPORTS REQUIRING NO ACTION BY THE BOARD:</u>

- 1. <u>Personal Remarks Dr. Tim Faltyn</u>
  - Connors Connection
  - Spring Enrollment Update

#### B. <u>RESOLUTIONS:</u>

None

#### C. <u>POLICY AND OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES:</u>

None

#### D. <u>PERSONNEL ACTIONS:</u>

1. Information Requiring No Action by the Board Audrey Spears, Nursing Instructor, resigned effective November 6, 2013. Lindsey "Dare" Chronister, Director of Campus Life, resigned effective November 30, 2013.

#### 2. Request for Change of Position/Salary/Months of Employment

Board approval is requested for the following employment changes:

Employee	Position	Salary	Effective	Assignment	Explanation
Susan Lybarger	Nursing Instructor	44,444.00	10/24/2013	10 month	Replacement

#### E. INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS:

1. <u>New Course Approval</u>

Permission is requested to add ENGL 0114 Academic Literacy to the Course Inventory. This course has been recommended by the appropriate academic division faculty as well as the curriculum and academic council committees. (see attached)

#### F. <u>BUDGETARY ACTIONS:</u>

None

#### G. OTHER BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS:

None

# H. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS (other than construction and renovation) 1. Clinical Affiliation Agreements

Authorization is requested to develop a clinical affiliation agreement with Angels Care Home Health.

#### I. <u>NEW CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF FACILITIES:</u>

None

#### J. <u>PURCHASE REQUESTS:</u>

#### 1. Parking Lots

Authorization is requested to pay Glover Construction an estimated \$33,851 for services rendered. The Board granted approval of \$250,000 initially in June of 2012 and the bid award was in the amount of \$278,016.75. The additional amount requested is due to a waterline break, requiring repairs to be made to the failed subgrade.

#### 2. UGL/DTZ Contract Payment-

Authorization is-requested to pay UGL/DTZ the estimated amount of \$366,400 for services rendered. This has been reviewed by legal counsel.

#### 3. Bids for Search Firm

Authorization is requested to solicit bids and award the lowest and best bid a purchase order for the use of a recruitment firm for the Vice President for Fiscal Services open position. The estimated cost is \$60,000 to be paid from E&G funds. This has been reviewed by legal counsel.

#### K. <u>STUDENT SERVICES/ACTIVITIES:</u>

None

#### L. <u>NEW BUSINESS UNFORESEEN AT TIME AGENDA WAS POSTED:</u>

None

# M. <u>INFORMATIONAL MATTERS NOT REQUIRING ACTION OF THE BOARD:</u>

- 1. October 2013 Out-of-State Travel Report, attached
- 2. <u>2014 Academic Calendar</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Tim Faltyn President

Connors State College Agenda – December 6, 2013 Page Two



# 2014 Spring Enrollment November 26, 2013







# Academic Literacy/ENGL 0114 Proposed Course Description

Th 3, Lab 2. *Prerequisites:* A COMPASS Reading Placement Score of 65-70 or successful completion of ENGL 0003 Developmental Reading I. Academic Literacy provides intensive instruction in critical thinking, reading and writing in preparation for ENGL 1113 English Composition I and other 1000-level courses. Using theme-based readings from a variety of genres, coursework will emphasize independent reading of complex academic texts, critical response to ideas and information in academic texts, and writing essays that integrate ideas and information from academic texts. Successful completion of this course fulfills the requirements of ENGL 0013 Developmental Reading I and ENGL 0123 Fundamentals of English.



#### SUMMARY OF OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 2013

	TRAVEL THIS MONTH				AMOUNT EXPENDED CURRENT		AMOUNT EXPENDED PRIOR	
FUND	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	FISCAL	NO.	FISCAL
SOURCE	OF TRIPS	EXPENDED	OF TRIPS	EXPENDED	OF TRIPS	YEAR	OF TRIPS	YEAR
ST. APPROP.	2	7877.70	2	10,410.66	5	13,689.36	6	15,623.57
FEDERAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	1,415.15	0	0.00
PRIVATE	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
AUXILIARY	0	0.00	1	609.64	0	0.00	1	609.64
OTHER	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	2	7,7877.70	3	11,020.30	6	15,104.47	7	16,233.21

#### **OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### Return by January 15, 2014

Electronic submission with President's signature is preferred (to sbeauchamp@osrhe.edu).

#### NOTE: T

#### Institution: Connors State College

#### **ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR 2014-15**

#### Summer Session (2014):

Semester begins (first day of 8-week classes) 1<sup>st</sup> 4-week session (begins and ends) 2<sup>nd</sup> 4-week session (begins and ends) Please list dates of all holidays and breaks Independence Day Semester ends (including final exams) Commencement date (graduation ceremony)

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July 4, 2014 July 24, 2014 None

<u>August 18, 2014</u> <u>August 18 - October 10, 2014</u> <u>October 13 - December 11, 2014</u>

<u>September 01, 2014</u> <u>October 09, 10, 2014</u> <u>November 26, 27, 28, 2014</u> <u>December 11, 2014</u> <u>None</u>

January 12, 2015 January 12 – March 06, 2015 March 09 – May 08, 2015

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<u>Alternative Schedules</u> (please describe any alternative schedules)

Signature of President \_ Date 11/26/2013

\*\*\*Note: Spring Break should be scheduled for the week that encompasses the third Wednesday in March\*\*\*

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#### Public Comments

Because of the earlier public presentations, Chairman Link said the public comments section would be reduced to 5 minutes. He asked if there were any members of the public who wished to address the Board at this time.

Mr. Donnie Worth said he and Mr. Nick Berghall are with OSU's Student Government Association. He said he is the SGA Senate Chair. In follow up on the e-cigarette legislation, Mr. Worth said that is just one way the students can voice their opinions and help with decisions of the Board. He said if there is any time where the Board needs the students' viewpoint on a matter to feel free to reach out to the SGA. He said the SGA would be glad to help inform the Board of the opinion of the students at Oklahoma State University.

Mr. Nick Berghall said he is OSU's Student Government Association Liaison. He said he has never had his viability as a mentor questioned in public like it was earlier in the meeting. Like Mr. Worth said, SGA wants to represent the students of Oklahoma State University. He said he has visited with Mr. Ramsey and Regent Anthony about getting together representatives from all the student government associations of the A&M institutions to try to form a coalition. This is something that is currently being pursued. Mr. Berghall said he is here today representing Oklahoma State University, but he is hoping that some time next semester he can come before the Board with representatives of all the student government associations of the A&M institutions. He wanted to ensure that this was being communicated to the Board and that SGA is weighing in when appropriate on the issues that affect the students.

Chairman Link said the input of SGA is appreciated and the involvement and effort are respected.

Regent Anthony said he appreciates the students' participation and believes it is valuable to the Board. He said he is hopeful Mr. Berghall is successful in his endeavor of including all student government associations and looks forward to that process.

# MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES OF INTEREST TO ALL THE UNIVERSITIES/COLLEGES MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2013

Chairman Link called upon the Committee Chairs of the following Committees to give reports.

#### Academic Affairs, Policy and Personnel Committee

(The scheduled meeting of the Academic Affairs, Policy and Personnel Committee meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.)

#### Fiscal Affairs Committee

(The scheduled meeting of the Fiscal Affairs Committee was cancelled due to inclement weather.)

#### Audit, Risk Management and Compliance Review Committee

# Acceptance of FY-2013 Audit Reports

Regent Lester reported that the Audit, Risk Management and Compliance Review Committee met with representatives of Cole & Reed and with representatives of Connors State College, Langston University, Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, and Oklahoma Panhandle State University regarding the FY-2013 audit reports for these institutions. The Committee acted to recommend that the Board accept the FY-2013 audit reports as presented.

Regent Lester moved and Regent Burns seconded that the Board accept the FY-2013 audit reports for Connors State College, Langston University, Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, and Oklahoma Panhandle State University as presented.

Chairman Link pointed out that "unqualified" opinions are now referred to as "unmodified" opinions. He said all the institutions received clean opinions. There were a few glitches noted, but these were addressed and were nothing of material consequence. Chairman Link said the Committee instructed Mr. Strande to conduct some additional study on how he might expand his scope and/or reduce overall costs in the coming year. Chairman Link expressed thanks to those who were in attendance at the meeting.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Regent Lester reported that the Committee also met with representatives of Grant Thornton and the Oklahoma State University administration concerning FY-2013 audits of OSU and its constituent budget agencies. The Committee acted to recommend that the Board accept the FY-2013 audit reports for the Oklahoma State University System.

Regent Lester moved and Regent Davis seconded that the Board accept the FY-2013 audit reports for the Oklahoma State University System as presented.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

#### Acceptance of FY-2013 Financial Statements of CIED

Regent Lester said the Committee also acted to recommend that the Board receive the FY-2013 financial statements of the Oklahoma State University Center for Innovation and Economic Development, Inc., contingent upon its board accepting the audit reports.

Regent Lester moved and Regent Burns seconded that the Board receive the FY-2013 financial statements of the Oklahoma State University Center for Innovation and Economic Development, Inc., contingent upon its board accepting the audit reports.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

#### FY-2014 Audit Plan

Regent Lester reported that the Committee received a report from Mr. Strande concerning an overview of the activities of the Department of Internal Audits as well as an update on the status of the FY-2014 Audit Plan.

Chairman Link said at the meeting it was emphasized to the external auditors the importance of bringing matters to the attention of the presidents of each of the constituent units or colleges/universities and to the Board of Regents. He said the Committee and/or the Board of

Regents have this requirement to make sure the external auditors have an avenue and a place to register concerns and issues. He said Regent Burns stated very clearly at the meeting that if the external auditors were a Regent and if there was something they thought they would want to know about, then the Regents need to know. Chairman Link said he believed the external auditors got the message very clearly.

#### Personnel Actions

Mr. Ramsey said he has one item for consideration regarding personnel actions (a copy of which is attached to this portion of the minutes as ATTACHMENT A). He said in accordance with Board Policy 1.02 and the hiring of the new General Counsel, John Price and Mackenzie Wilfong, who have previously served as attorneys on the OSU staff, will move to the Board's Office of Legal Counsel effective December 1, 2013, with salary and benefits remaining unchanged. Mr. Ramsey said this item has been discussed with Gary Clark and Mr. Strande about making the necessary adjustments to the budget.

The other items included in the request pertain to adjustments in title and compensation for staff within the Department of Internal Audits.

Regent Lester moved and Regent Watkins seconded to approve the personnel actions as presented.

Regent Davis said he is glad to have Mr. Stephens on board. As was discussed in the interview session, he said he is looking forward to his evaluation of the current office and needs going forward in order for the Office of Legal Counsel to be an overall better operation. Whatever timeline is needed, Regent Davis said he is looking forward to receiving Mr. Stephens' input. Mr. Stephens said these discussions have begun with the lawyers in house and some of the constituents his office serves, and he has some ideas; however, he does not want to be too presumptuous and act too quickly. He said he believes the Board should hear something from him certainly within 90 days.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Chairman Link expressed that he is glad to see Mr. Stephens at the meeting. Mr. Stephens said he would like to thank everyone. He noted that it has been a challenging and fun first week, and he looks forward to working with the Regents and all the presidents and their staffs of the colleges/universities. Regarding the presentations of the SGA representatives, Mr. Stephens said 35 years ago he had the opportunity to come before the Board to discuss a matter, and he said he never thought he would be back here.

# Adjournment

At approximately 12:15 p.m., Regent Anthony moved and Regent Burns seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Lester, Link, Milner, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

December 6, 2013, Board Meeting

# PERSONNEL ACTIONS

# BOARD OF REGENTS (OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL)

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Wilfong, Mackenzie, Associate General Counsel (effective December 1, 2013) Price, John, Associate General Counsel (effective December 1, 2013)

In accord with Board Policy 1.02 and the hiring of our new General Counsel Steve Stephens, John Price and Mackenzie Wilfong, who have previously served as attorneys on the OSU staff, will move to the Board's Office of Legal Counsel effective December 1, 2013, with salary and benefits to remain unchanged. Board action to make that change would be appropriate at this time.

# **BOARD OF REGENTS (DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITS)**

# ADJUSTMENTS IN TITLE AND COMPENSATION

Changes reflected on Schedule A (attached)

# Proposed Employee Compensation Adjustments Department of Internal Audits FY 2013-2014

Beverly Shannon	Donna Nightengale	Kristie Newby	Jill Hawkins	Rick Brewster	India	Mana
Audit Supervisor/Consultant	Audit Supervisor/Consultant	Audit Senior/Consultant	IT Audit Supervisor/Consultant	Audit Supervisor/Consultant	Current Title	Tule
Audit Manager/Consultant (eff: 01701/2014)	Audit Manager/Consultant (eff: 01/01/2014)	Audit Senior/Consultant	IT Audit Manager/Consultant (eff: 01/01/2014)	Senior Audit Manager/Gonsultant (eff: 01/01/2014)	RroposedAlitte	6
\$71,936	\$70,893	\$54,063	\$76,191	\$71,862	Current Salary	Salary
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# MEETING OF THE A & M BOARD OF REGENTS

# **December 6, 2013**

Scholars' Inn Clubhouse Langston University Langston, Oklahoma

# **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES

Secretary of State meeting notice was filed on September 19, 2012.

Approval of Order of Business Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of October 25, 2013

#### DATES OF NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS

#### For Information Purposes Only:

January 24, 2014 -- Okmulgee, Oklahoma – State Room, Hospitality Services Building, OSU Institute of Technology-Okmulgee

#### For **Consideration** of Approval:

March 7, 2014

 Stillwater, Oklahoma – Council Room, 412 Student Union, Oklahoma State University

#### BUSINESS WITH COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

1. Langston University

- 4. Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College
- 2. Oklahoma State University
- 5. Connors State College
- 3. Oklahoma Panhandle State University

# PUBLIC COMMENTS

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs, Policy and Personnel Committee Audit, Risk Management and Compliance Review Committee Fiscal Affairs and Plant Facilities Committee Planning and Budgets Committee

# OTHER BUSINESS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Reports or recommendations by the Chief Executive Officer

- a. General Business
- b. General Counsel
- c. Director of Internal Audits

Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

DATE: December 6, 2013

TIME: Board will officially convene at 10:00 a.m.\*

PLACE: Scholars' Inn Clubhouse, Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2012.

Business:

--Approval of Order of Business

- --Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of October 25, 2013
- --Announcement of meeting on January 24, 2014, State Room, Hospitality Services Building, OSU Institute of Technology-Okmulgee, Okmulgee, Oklahoma
- --Approval of meeting on March 7, 2014, Council Room, 412 Student Union, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma

--Recognition of General Counsel Charles Drake

--Reports/comments/recommendations by Board Chairman

# LANGSTON UNIVERSITY

--General Information/Reports Requiring No Action By the Board

--Resolutions

- Adoption of Memorial Resolutions for Mrs. Almeda Combs Parker and Dr. Blayne Edward Hinds
- --Personnel Actions RE: appointments, reappointments, changes in salary, changes in title, resignations, terminations, suspensions, retirement, personnel leaves, etc. More detailed information identifying the personnel involved, their job titles, and their salaries, where applicable, will be available upon request at the meeting and prior thereto at the Office of the Board of Regents.
- \* The Board will have breakfast on Friday, December 6, 2013, at 7:30 a.m. in the Lower Level of the White House on the campus of Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma, with Langston University President Kent Smith and OSU President Burns Hargis and possibly other OSU administrators for informal discussion. Various subjects may come up for discussion including recent activities/developments pertaining to legislative/governmental issues, matters affecting State funding, administrative issues, systemization, future staffing, capital projects including new construction and renovation, educational programs, student matters, athletics, external relations, budget matters, fund raising, student recruitment and retention, and Board communications. The Board may also receive from the Chief Executive Officer announcements of general information and interest, information on Board administrative operations, and information about recent and upcoming meetings and discussions. The Board will have lunch at approximately 12:00 p.m. in the Atrium located adjacent to the C. F. Gayles Field House on the Langston University campus.

- --Budgetary Actions: <u>adoption</u> of a new budget or <u>revision</u> of a budget, etc. Approval to provide a one-time salary stipend to Langston University employees
- --Contractual Agreements (other than construction and renovation) Approval to enter into an agreement with Crawford & Associates for accounting and consulting services
- --Purchase Requests (purchases of equipment, supplies, materials, professional services, etc.)
- --New Business Unforeseen At Time Agenda Was Posted
- --Other Informational Matters Not Requiring Action of the Board at this Meeting Out-of-state travel summary

# OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

- --General Information/Reports Requiring No Action By the Board Opening comments by President Hargis
- --Resolutions Adoption of Memorial Resolution for William R. Venable
- --Policy and Operational Procedures
  - Approval of revisions to OSU Policy 1-0530 Tobacco Use in University Buildings and Grounds
  - Approval of revisions to the Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Guidelines for OSU-CHS
- --Personnel Actions RE: appointments, reappointments, changes in salary, changes in title, resignations, terminations, suspensions, retirement, personnel leaves, etc. More detailed information identifying the personnel involved, their job titles, and their salaries, where applicable, will be available upon request at the meeting and prior thereto at the Office of the Board of Regents.
  - Approval of position announcement and position description for Vice President, Administration and Finance, OSU Center for Health Sciences
  - Approval of position announcement and position description for Vice President, Research and Technology Transfer

# --Instructional Programs

Approval of proposed new degrees and program modifications

- --Other Business and Financial Matters
  - Approval to enter into a Voluntary Partition Agreement and accept a gift of real property Approval for the President of OSU-CHS and the President of OSU to execute and deliver an amended and restated lease agreement

--New Construction or Renovation of Facilities

- Approval to demolish obsolete agriculture buildings
- Approval to begin selection process for an Engineering Firm to assist the University in the preparation of a Utilities Master Plan
- Approval to begin the selection process for an Architect to assist the University with the development of a programming plan for a new Animal Physiology Building
- Approval to select an on-call Construction Manager At Risk to assist the University with renovations to the Colvin Center to create a Functional Training Center
- --Purchase Requests (purchases of equipment, supplies, materials, professional services, etc.)
- --New Business Unforeseen At Time Agenda Was Posted
- --Other Informational Matters Not Requiring Action of the Board at this Meeting

# **OKLAHOMA PANHANDLE STATE UNIVERSITY**

- --General Information/Reports Requiring No Action By the Board Update on OPSU refunding request for Aggie Apartments, LLC
- --Personnel Actions RE: appointments, reappointments, changes in salary, changes in title, resignations, terminations, suspensions, retirement, personnel leaves, etc. More detailed information identifying the personnel involved, their job titles, and their salaries, where applicable, will be available upon request at the meeting and prior thereto at the Office of the Board of Regents.
- --New Business Unforeseen At Time Agenda Was Posted

 --Other Informational Matters Not Requiring Action of the Board at this Meeting OPSU students being named as recipients of the 2013 FFA American Degree OPSU Assistant Rodeo Coach inducted into the Rodeo Hall of Fame Celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month OPSU Men's Rodeo Team finishing in first place in the Central Plains Regions for the fall season President's Update Newsletters Out-of-state travel summary

# NORTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA A&M COLLEGE

- --General Information/Reports Requiring No Action By the Board President's remarks
- --Other Business and Financial Matters Approval of campus police commission
- --Contractual Agreements (other than construction and renovation) Approval to increase contract amount with Crawford and Associates

- --Purchase Requests (purchases of equipment, supplies, materials, professional services, etc.) Ratification of interim approval to pay Property Insurance Premium to Risk Management
- --New Business Unforeseen At Time Agenda Was Posted

--Other Informational Matters Not Requiring Action of the Board at this Meeting Out-of-state travel summary 2014-15 Academic Calendar Agreement with Student Outreach Solutions Out-of-state travel summary

#### CONNORS STATE COLLEGE

- --General Information/Reports Requiring No Action By the Board President's remarks
- --Personnel Actions RE: appointments, reappointments, changes in salary, changes in title, resignations, terminations, suspensions, retirement, personnel leaves, etc. More detailed information identifying the personnel involved, their job titles, and their salaries, where applicable, will be available upon request at the meeting and prior thereto at the Office of the Board of Regents.
- --Instructional Programs Approval to add new course
- --Contractual Agreements (other than construction and renovation) Approval to develop a clinical affiliation agreement with Angels Care Home Health
- --Purchase Requests (purchases of equipment, supplies, materials, professional services, etc.)
- --New Business Unforeseen At Time Agenda Was Posted
- --Other Informational Matters Not Requiring Action of the Board at this Meeting Out-of-state travel summary 2014 Academic Calendar

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

--Fifteen minutes will be provided to receive comments if there are representatives of the general public interested in addressing the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

--Consider other possible actions based upon reports or recommendations by various Committees of the Board of Regents.

#### Audit, Risk Management and Compliance Review Committee

Receive information and a possible recommendation regarding FY-2013 audits for Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, Connors State College, Langston University, and Oklahoma Panhandle State University.

Receive information and a possible recommendation regarding FY-2013 audits for Oklahoma State University and its constituent budget agencies, and receive information regarding applicable institutional-related foundation audits.

Report concerning Department of Internal Audits and status of the Audit Plan for FY-2014.

#### Fiscal Affairs Committee

Academic Affairs, Policy and Personnel Committee

# **OTHER BOARD OF REGENTS' BUSINESS**

--General Information/Reports Requiring No Action By the Board

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--Purchase Requests (purchases of equipment, supplies, materials, professional services, etc.)

- --Other Business Matters Requiring Action of the Board
- --Reports/comments/recommendations by Chief Executive Officer
- --Reports/comments/recommendations by General Counsel
- --Reports/comments/recommendations by Director of Internal Audits
- --New Business Unforeseen At Time Agenda Was Posted

December 6, 2013

# BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES

By:

Tucker Link, Chairman

ATTEST:

hief Executive Officer Jason Ramsey;

Certified correct minutes subject to approval of the Board of Regents of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges on January 24, 2014.

Cherilyn Williams, Secretary