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Oklahoma City Community College, Visual and Performing Arts Center Atrium

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of the  
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education  
December 9, 2022**

1. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF FILING OF MEETING NOTICE AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT.** The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education held a special meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, December 9, 2022, at Oklahoma City Community College's Visual and Performing Arts Center Atrium, located at 7777 S. May Avenue in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting had been filed with the Secretary of State on Friday, November 18, 2022. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.
  
2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chair Michael C. Turpen called the meeting to order and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Jack Sherry, Dustin Hilliary, Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Dennis Casey, Jeff Hickman, and Michael C. Turpen. Regents Warmington and Taylor were absent.
  
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.** Regent Parker moved, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the minutes of the State Regents' meetings on October 26-27, 2022. Voting for the motion were Regents Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.
  
4. **COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR.** Chair Turpen began by thanking Oklahoma City Community College for their hospitality. He then discussed the loss of Amanda Winge, a staff member in the Chancellor's office. After a moment of silence and the reading of a resolution

honoring Winge, Chair Turpen discussed the establishment of a scholarship in her honor to assist students studying abroad. The scholarship will accept donations and policy details will be decided at a later date.

5. **COMMENTS FROM THE CHANCELLOR.** Chancellor Allison D. Garrett began by echoing Chair Turpen’s comments about the hospitality they have received from Oklahoma City Community College. She then discussed the strategic planning process. Along with Dr. Jarrett Jobe, she has been visiting with legislators about the strategic plan. Chancellor Garrett also provided an update on the current UDS system, which is in the process of being transferred to the new SAS data warehouse. Phase I of the project will be in place by the end of April 2023. She also discussed the transition from the current OSRHE website to the new website, which will provide enhanced dashboard capabilities. Chancellor Garrett concluded her remarks by introducing Dr. Robert Placido, the new Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs.

Vice Chancellor Placido shared his background in higher education and discussed his work experience with the University of Maine System where he served in the same role.

6. **PRESIDENT’S WELCOME.** Oklahoma City Community College (OCCC) President Mautra Jones began by thanking the State Regents for their work in higher education. She introduced Alexis Zimmerman, a psychology major who is a member of the TRIO program, the president’s leadership class, and the Students Connecting with Mentors for Success (SCMS) mentoring program.

Ms. Zimmerman discussed her work at OCCC during the time of COVID-19 and her ongoing pursuit of a higher education. She reflected on the impact that OCCC has had on her during her time on campus. She stated that the institution encourages a diverse student body and prepares students to address real-world issues. Her work with SCMS has inspired her, and the counselors

at OCCC have encouraged her as she takes the next step of attending the University of Central Oklahoma next year.

6.1 **DIGITAL CINEMA PRODUCTION.** Oklahoma City Community College (OCCC) Provost Dr. Jeremy Thomas began by discussing Gray Frederickson’s legacy at OCCC. In essence, the students are his legacy. It is here at OCCC that Gray Frederickson created from scratch the first film program in Oklahoma that was dedicated to producing graduates who were filmmakers with command of movie equipment and technology. The digital cinema program has about 200 students involved each year and graduates about 22. The program has developed partnerships with Oklahoma City Public Schools, the Department of Commerce, and Prairie Surf Media. He then introduced Mr. Matt Payne, CEO of Prairie Surf Media.

Mr. Payne stressed that one of the top digital cinema programs in the country is at OCCC. He discussed his partnership with OCCC and his work with the new Paramount series “Tulsa King,” which was filmed in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. He said that through this partnership, a generational industry has been established that will benefit Oklahoma for years to come.

Chair Turpen asked for a motion to recess to tour the Visual and Performing Arts Center. Regent Parker made a motion to take a brief recess, seconded by Regent Holloway. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, and Hilliary. Voting against the motion were none.

At 10:17 a.m., Chair Turpen called the meeting back to order. Present for the meeting were Regents Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, and Turpen.

## 7. **NEW PROGRAMS.**

a. Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a request from the University of Oklahoma to offer the Bachelor of Science in GeoEnergy Engineering.

Voting for the motion were Regents Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Sherry. Voting against the motion were none.

- b. Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve a request from Rogers State University to offer the Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, and Hilliary. Voting against the motion were none.
- c. Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a request from Oklahoma City Community College to offer the Certificate in Childcare Administrator. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Sherry, Hilliary and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.
- d. Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve a request from Rose State College to offer Associate in Science in Data Science and Analytics. Voting for the motion were Regents Casey, Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, Hilliary, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

8. **PROGRAM DELETIONS.** Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve institutional requests for program deletions at the University of Oklahoma. Voting for the motion were Regents Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, and Casey. Voting against the motion were none.

9. **POLICY.**

- a. Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve revisions to the In-state/Out-of-state Status of Enrolled Students policy. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the revisions to the

Functions of Research in the State System policy. Voting for the motion were Regents Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.

10. **GRANTS.** Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the 2023 Summer Academy Grants. The Summer Academy grant program is funded on a year-to-year basis depending on available funds. The response to the call for proposals for 2023 resulted in 36 submissions. All proposals were reviewed by independent reviewers using a standard rubric. The funding recommendations are based on reviewer feedback, budgetary considerations, and geographic dispersion of academies. The recommendation provides \$604,124.50 across 20 Summer Academies and will provide STEM engagement opportunities to over 600 students this summer. Voting for the motion were Regents Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen and Sherry. Voting against the motion were none.
  
11. **SCHOLARS FOR EXCELLENCE IN CHILD CARE.** Regent Casey moved, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve the Scholars for Excellence in Child Care scholarship contract modification in the amount of \$2,088,083 and program contract modification in the amount of \$2,628,571. Regent Casey recognized Ms. Gina McPherson, director of special programs, to present this item. She recognized the success of OCCC's program and discussed the value of this scholarship program. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, and Hilliary. Voting against the motion were none.
  
12. **E&G BUDGET.**
  - a. Regent Hickman moved, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the allocation of \$1,277,714.61 to Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences and \$1,277,714.61 to the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (OUHSC) from



revenue collected from the taxes placed on the sale of cigarettes and tobacco products.

The current accumulated allocation to each institution, including this allocation, totals to \$102,010,524.15. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, Hilliary, and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

- b. Regent Hickman moved, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve a one-time Innovation and System Efficiency grant in the amount of \$375,000 to the University of Science and Arts Oklahoma and \$375,000 to Redlands Community College in support of a joint operations collaboration. Voting for the motion were Regents Casey, Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.
13. **EPSCoR.** Regent Hickman moved, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve an allocation in the amount of \$30,000 to the University of Central Oklahoma for the annual Oklahoma Research Day event. This funding will provide a venue for networking among researchers and allow the interchange of ideas among those studying and researching in their respective academic disciplines. State Regents funds will support supplies to each participating institution to assist students on their campus in preparing their virtual presentations, as well as support for judges and awards. Voting for the motion were Regents Hickman, Turpen, Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, and Casey. Voting against the motion were none.
14. **CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES.** Regent Hickman moved, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve FY23 purchases for amounts that are in excess of \$100,000. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.
15. **INVESTMENTS.** Regent Parker indicated that there was not an investment manager recommendation at this time.

16. **CONSENT DOCKET.** Regent Parker moved, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve/ratify the following routine requests which are consistent with State Regents' policies and procedures or previous actions:
- a. Programs.
    - (1) Program Modifications. Approval of institutional requests.
    - (2) Program Suspension. Ratification of an institutional request.
  - b. Certificates of 15 or Fewer Credit Hours. Ratification of an institutional request.
  - c. Micro-credentials. Ratification of an institutional request.
  - d. Reconciliations. Ratification of institutional requests.
  - e. Post Audit. Approval of institutional requests for final approval and review schedule extensions for existing programs.
  - f. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement. Ratification of institutional requests for annual renewal of participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.
  - g. Electronic Delivery.
    - (1) University of Oklahoma. Approval to offer the following existing program via electronic delivery: Doctor of Education in Education Administration.
    - (2) Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Approval to offer the following existing program via electronic delivery: Associate in Science in Criminal Justice.
    - (3) University of Central Oklahoma. Approval to offer the following existing program via electronic delivery: Master of Science in Finance.
  - h. Operations.

- (1) Ratification of purchases over \$25,000.
  - (2) Audit, June 30, 2022 Acceptance of audited financials.
  - (3) Personnel. Ratification of personnel.
- i. Resolution honoring Amanda Winge.

Voting for the motion were Regents Sherry, Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Turpen, and Hilliary. Voting against the motion were none.

17. **REPORTS.** Regent Holloway moved, seconded by Regent Casey, to acknowledge receipt of the following reports:

- a. Programs. Current Status Report on program requests.
- b. Annual Reports.
  - (1) Academic Scholars Program. 2021-2022 Year-End Report.
  - (2) Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant. 2021-2022 Year-End Report.
  - (3) Oklahoma Tuition Equalization Grant. 2021-2022 Year-End Report.
  - (4) Regional University Baccalaureate Scholarship. 2021-2022 Year-End Report.
  - (5) Academic Policy Exception Quarterly Report.
  - (6) Oklahoma's Promise. Initial report required by SB 639 of the 2021 legislative session.
  - (7) FY23 Tuition and Analysis Report.
  - (8) Financial Operations Report, June 30, 2022.

Voting for the motion were Regents Hilliary, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Turpen, Hilliary, and Sherry. Voting against the motion were none.

18. **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES.**

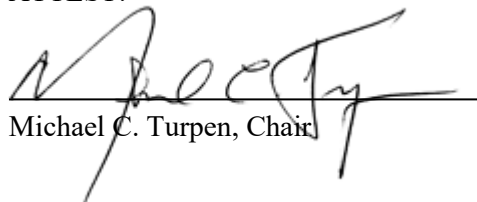
- a. Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees. The Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees had no additional items for Regents' action.
- b. Budget and Audit Committee. The Budget and Audit Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.
- c. Strategic Planning and Personnel and Technology Committee. The Strategic Planning and Personnel and Technology Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.
- d. Investment Committee. The Investment Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.

19. **PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Mr. Matt Stangl, General Counsel for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, advised State Regents that an executive session was not needed.

20. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING.** Chair Turpen announced that the next regular scheduled meetings will be held on Wednesday, February 8 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, February 9, 2022 at 9 a.m. at the State Regents office in Oklahoma City.

21. **ADJOURNMENT.** With no additional items to address, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
Michael C. Turpen, Chair

  
Dennis Casey, Secretary