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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
BOARD OF REGENTS

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, CAMERON UNIVERSITY AND ROGERS STATE UNIVERSITY

The OU Norman Campus
The OU Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City
OU Tulsa Campus

AGENDA
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REGULAR MEETING
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA BOARD OF REGENTS
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020 – 5:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL MEETING

NOT WITHSTANDING THAT AN ITEM MAY INDICATE FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR INFORMATION ONLY, ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE FOR DISCUSSION AND WHATEVER FURTHER ACTION THE REGENTS DEEM NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE TO DISCHARGE THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS OF GOVERNMENT

CONSENT ITEMS
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NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda.

The next meeting of the Board of Regents is currently scheduled for January 7-8, 2021.
Consent Agenda Items for All Three Universities

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I move the consent agenda items for the three Universities be approved as listed.
AGENDA ITEM A

ISSUE: 2021 MEETING DATES – ALL

ACTION PROPOSED:

Action to approve the dates for Board of Regents’ regular meetings during 2021 is proposed.

January 7 – 8, Thursday & Friday
March 11 – 12, Thursday & Friday
May 13, Thursday
June 17 – 18, Thursday & Friday
September 14 – 15, Tuesday & Wednesday
November 10 – 11, Wednesday & Thursday
Consent Agenda Items for

ROGERS STATE UNIVERSITY
AGENDA ITEM 1

ISSUE: SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAM CHANGES – RSU

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Rice recommends the Board of Regents approve the proposed changes in the Rogers State University academic programs.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

The Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education require that all substantive changes in degree programs be presented to the institution’s governing board for approval before being forwarded to the State Regents for consideration. The changes in the academic programs presented below have been approved by faculty, academic unit and dean, the Curriculum Committee, the Academic Council, and the Vice President for Academic Affairs. The change is being submitted to the Board of Regents for approval prior to submission to the State Regents.

- PROGRAM:
  Department of Health Sciences
  Bachelor of Science in BSN (128)

PROPOSED CHANGES:
- Remove from the core MATH 2843-Statistics or SBS 3063-Social and Behavioral Statistics.
- Require the following General Education: CHEM 1104-Principles of Chemistry and MATH 1413 Introduction to Statistics
- Remove MATH 1513-College Algebra and CHEM 1315-General Chemistry as general education requirements
- Add Elective requirement “Elective or RSU Computer Requirement CS 1113-Microcomputer Applications”
- Total credit hours will change from 126 to 124

COMMENTS:
As the Nursing program has transitioned to all BS degrees, these changes to the Chemistry and Math requirements bring RSU nursing program in line with other regional and state schools. The change will improve ability of students to transfer in and will align the prerequisites with other programs.

- PROGRAM:
  Department of History and Political Science
  Associate of Arts in Social Sciences (019)

PROPOSED CHANGES:
Delete History and Political Science Options beginning Fall 2021. The History Option has two students enrolled and the Political Science Option has 1 student enrolled. Students will be notified and allowed to complete the Options within two years or go into the Bachelor programs.
COMMENTS:
Given RSU’s maturation as a four-year degree granting institution and multiple four-year options in history and political science, student interest in two-year degrees within these disciplines has declined.
Consent Agenda Items for

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
AGENDA ITEM 1

ISSUE: SUPERCOMPUTER CLUSTER REFRESH – ALL

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Harroz recommends the Board of Regents authorize the President or his designee to award a contract in an amount not to exceed $1,400,000 to Dell Technologies, of Round Rock, Texas, the low bidder, for a super computer cluster refresh, with the option to renew for four, one-year terms at equivalent pricing.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

The Information Technology department provides the infrastructure including hardware, software and installation services to support the high-performance computing needs of the University, as well as the research and academic users on the Norman Campus. The proposed supercomputer acquisition will consist of servers, disk storage, and two dedicated internal networks. The structure will closely correspond to standard worldwide academic research computing practices, and used for research in all Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines, servicing all University campuses.

In addition to equipment purchases by the IT department, faculty and other researchers will be able to buy “condominium” servers and storage to add to the University’s supercomputer and provide new capabilities for high speed artificial intelligence, machine learning and deep learning computations, supporting the University’s competitive advantage in supercomputing-based research and opportunities for external funding.

In response to a competitive solicitation, the following responses were received:

- BIOS IT, Fairfield, New Jersey
- Dell Technologies, Round Rock, Texas
- Hewlett-Packard Company, San Jose, California
- PCPC Direct, Ltd., Houston, Texas
- SereneIT Inc., Milton, Georgia
- Storbyte, Washington DC

The evaluation team comprised the following individuals:

- David Akin, IT Analyst, Information Technology
- Sean Patrick Calhoun, IT Analyst, Information Technology
- James Ferguson, IT Analyst, Information Technology
- Kali McLennan, IT Analyst, Information Technology
- Henry Neeman, Administrator, Information Technology
- Jason Speckman, IT Analyst, Information Technology

The evaluation criteria were meeting specifications of the RFP, company stability, support, product quality, deliverables, product viability, and cost.
The results of the evaluation were as follows:

(Weighted score 1-5, 5 being best)

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The evaluation team determined that the response from Dell Marketing, LP, of Round Rock, Texas, the low bidder, met all specifications of the RFP and represents best value to the University.

Funding has been identified and budgeted within the Information Technology operating account.
AGENDA ITEM 2

ISSUE: POST SEASON CONTEST – NC

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Harroz recommends the Board of Regents:

I. Authorize the President, the Athletic Director, or their designee to award purchase orders and sign contracts associated with The University of Oklahoma’s participation in a post-season bowl game; and

II. Authorize the President, the Athletic Director, or their designee to negotiate an agreement with The University of Oklahoma Foundation to advance bowl related expenses as required.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

Arrangements necessary for the University’s participation in a bowl game must be made prior to the next Regents’ meeting; therefore, it is necessary to seek authorization for the President, the Athletic Director, or their designee to award purchase orders and sign contracts associated with the University’s participation in a bowl game. Provisions outlined in Regents’ policies regarding post-season athletic contests will be followed. Additionally, an agreement with the University of Oklahoma Foundation to advance bowl related expenses is required to facilitate the contracts, purchase orders and arrangements necessary for the University’s participation in a post season bowl game.
AGENDA ITEM 3

ISSUE: ACADEMIC PERSONNEL ACTIONS – HSC

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Harroz recommends the Board of Regents approve the academic personnel actions shown below. An executive session pursuant to Section 307B.1 of the Open Meeting Act may be proposed.

Health Sciences Center:

CHANGE(S):

Conley, Shannon M., Assistant Professor of Cell Biology, salary changed from annualized rate of $103,250 for 12 months to annualized rate of $113,250 for 12 months, September 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Additional grant funding

Crow, Sheila, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, College of Medicine, and Clinical Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics, Tulsa; salary funds type changed from professional practice plan funds to departmental administrative funds; no change to annualized rate of pay ($30,000 University Base; $205,000 administrative supplement), November 8, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Correction to funding type

De Souza Santos Sachs, Viviane Elisabeth, Assistant Professor of Family and Community Medicine, Tulsa, salary changed from annualized rate of $96,000 for 12 months to annualized rate of $175,000 for 12 months, September 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021. University Base $40,000. Department Salary $30,000. Administrative supplement of $105,000 as Residency Program Director.

Ding, Xi-Qin, Professor of Cell Biology and The Joanne I. Moore Professorship of Pharmacology, salary changed from annualized rate of $154,867 for 12 months to annualized rate of $170,000 for 12 months, September 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Additional grant funding

Funderburk, Beverly White, Professor of Research, Department of Pediatrics, salary changed from annualized rate of $97,615 for 12 months, 0.85 time, to annualized rate of $114,841 for 12 months, full time, September 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Change in FTE

Stout, Michael Benjamin, Assistant Professor of Nutritional Sciences, salary changed from annualized rate of $103,204 for 12 months to annualized rate of $113,204 for 12 months, October 12, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Retention

Tryon, Jr., Charles A., Instructor in Medical Informatics, Tulsa, salary changed from annualized rate of $85,000 for 12 months, 0.80 time, to annualized rate of $95,625 for 12 months, 0.90 time, September 13, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Change in FTE

Wiechmann, Jody Ann, Professor of Cell Biology and Adjunct Professor of Pediatrics, salary changed from annualized rate of $155,000 for 12 months to annualized rate of $192,367 for 12 months, September 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Additional grant funding
Action Items for All Three Universities
AGENDA ITEM B

ISSUE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

ACTION PROPOSED:

Proposed Executive Session: Possible discussion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(B) for the following discussion purposes:

a. Confidential communications between the Board and its attorney(s) concerning pending research or financial investigation(s) and/or claims, where the Board’s attorney has determined disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Board to conduct the investigation(s) in the public interest as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4);

b. Confidential communications between the Board and its attorney(s) concerning potential claim(s) involving real estate operations, where the Board’s attorney has determined disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Board to process the claim(s) in the public interest as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4);

c. Confidential communications between the Board and its attorney(s) concerning pending personnel claims, where the Board’s attorney has determined disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Board to conduct the investigation(s) in the public interest as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4);

d. Confidential communications between the Board and its attorney(s) concerning pending negligence, unjust enrichment claims or other legal claims, where the Board’s attorney has determined disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Board to conduct the investigation(s) in the public interest as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4);

e. Routine, periodic review of employment of University President(s) as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(1).

f. Routine, periodic review of employment of University personnel as listed in Attachment A as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(1).

g. Discussion of assessment of potential vulnerability of governmental facilities as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(11)(b) and 51 O.S. § 24A.28(A)(2).

h. Discussion of confidential trade secret information as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(7) and 51 O.S. § 24A.19.

i. Discussion of confidential information pertaining to donors or prospective donors under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(7) and 51 O.S. § 24A.16a.

j. Discussion of filed litigation against Cameron University, including the following cases and/or claims where the Board’s attorney has determined disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Board to conduct the investigation(s) in the public interest as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4):

None.

k. Discussion of filed litigation against Rogers State University, including the following cases and/or claims where the Board’s attorney has determined disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Board to conduct the investigation(s) in the public interest as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4):

None.
Discussion of filed litigation against the University of Oklahoma, including the following cases and/or claims where the Board’s attorney has determined disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Board to conduct the investigation(s) in the public interest as authorized under 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4):


ATTACHMENT A

Individuals include:

- President, The University of Oklahoma
- Interim Senior Vice President and Provost, Norman Campus
- Senior Vice President and Provost, Health Sciences Center
- Vice President of the University of Oklahoma and General Counsel to the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma governing the University of Oklahoma, Cameron University and Rogers State University
- Executive Secretary of the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents; Vice President for University Governance; and Secretary of the University of Oklahoma, Cameron University and Rogers State University
- Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics Programs and Director of Athletics
- Vice President for University Advancement
- Vice President for University Operations
- Senior Associate Vice Provost of Digital Learning
- Chief Audit Executive
- Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
- President, Cameron University
- President, Rogers State University
Action Items for

CAMERON UNIVERSITY
AGENDA ITEM 1

ISSUE: FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 EXTERNAL AUDITS – CU

ACTION PROPOSED:

President McArthur recommends the Board of Regents accept the fiscal year 2019-2020 external auditor’s reports and audited financial statements for Cameron University.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

Section 1.2.6 of the Regents’ Policy Manual grants the Board power to audit all accounts against the funds appropriated for the use and maintenance of the University.


These audits were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.
Action Items for

ROGERS STATE UNIVERSITY
AGENDA ITEM 2

ISSUE: RATIFICATION FOR REFUNDING OF OSRHE MASTER EQUIPMENT LEASE BONDS – RSU

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Rice recommends the Board of Regents ratify the approval of the administrative action listed below granted by Chairman Pierson on October 26, 2020.

I. Authorize the refunding of the Geothermal/Apartments 2010B Series tax exempt revenue bonds in one or more Series, in amounts sufficient to redeem projected balance outstanding as of September 30, 2020, of approximately $294,167 dollars including the cost of issuance;

II. Authorize the President, or his designee, to submit an application for inclusion under the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Master Lease for the Geothermal/Apartments not to exceed $264,167; and

III. Authorize the President or his designee to execute any documents required by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, Oklahoma Council of Bond Oversight and the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority and to take any further action required to consummate the transactions contemplated herein.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) implemented the Master Lease-Purchase program to facilitate for Oklahoma colleges and universities acquisitions of long-lived assets using the lease-purchase method. OSRHE submits funding requirements periodically through the State of Oklahoma Council of Bond Oversight and the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority, the conduit-financing agency, and assists in developing and executing an appropriate plan of financing. Institutions service the bond debt using current operating funds. This service provided by OSRHE reduces the time and effort that would otherwise be required for an institution to finance the acquisition of a major asset or refunding of existing debt.

Following the recommendation of OSRHE, Rogers State University has the opportunity of refunding the Geothermal/Apartments 2010B Series tax exempt revenue bonds through the Master Lease-Purchase Program with potential savings of $29,578 over the 5 years remaining on the original bonds. The size of the bonds and actual savings are subject to market conditions at the time of refunding. Anticipated closing date is November 1, 2020.

The institution has sufficient funds to meet the annual bond debt payments.
AGENDA ITEM 3

ISSUE: FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 EXTERNAL AUDITS – RSU

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Rice recommends the Board of Regents accept the fiscal year 2019-2020 external auditor’s reports and audited financial statements for Rogers State University.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, Eide Bailly, LLP presented to the Board of Regents’ Finance, Audit and Risk Committee the “Independent Auditors’ Report,” the “Annual Financial Statements,” and the “Independent Auditors’ Reports on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards.”

For the fiscal year 2019-2020, these audits were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Due to the late issuance of guidance for the administration of CARES HEERF funding, the fiscal year 2019-2020 external auditor’s reports on Compliance and Schedules of Expenditures of Federally Funded Awards for Rogers State University will be completed and presented for approval at a later date.
Action Items for

The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA
AGENDA ITEM 4

ISSUE: NEW AND ONLINE PROGRAM PROPOSALS – NC

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Harroz recommends the Board of Regents approve the proposed academic programs.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education require that all new programs be presented to the institution’s governing board for approval before being forwarded to the State Regents for consideration. The proposed academic programs listed below have been approved by the appropriate faculty, academic units and deans, the Academic Programs Council or Graduate Council, and the Senior Vice President and Provost. They are being submitted to the Board of Regents for approval prior to submission to the State Regents.

New Program Request

PRICE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Renewables, Executive Master of Business Administration (RPC TBD, MC MTBD)

Request to add a new Master of Specialty degree with a Level II title of Executive Master of Business Administration and Level III title of Renewables. The program is 32 total credit hours of required courses. It is a coursework-only degree.

Reason for request:

The Executive MBA (EMBA) in Renewables is designed to take advantage of The University of Oklahoma’s longstanding international status in traditional forms of energy, emerging expertise in new forms of energy, current reputation of the EMBA in Energy program, a strategic focus on research related to energy, environmental and sustainability, and the State of Oklahoma’s standing in the production and use of renewable energy. These combinations put us in a position to provide an EMBA program tailored especially to the rapidly burgeoning renewable energy industry, an industry prevalent in Oklahoma, our region, the US, and globally. The EMBA in Renewables degree program covers business principles and other relevant topics necessary to inform decision makers to manage organizations or institutions associated with renewable energy and prepare the students to be leaders in the renewable energy industry in their professional career, be they in Oklahoma or beyond. To that end, the college believes it can prepare many more leaders for the renewable energy industry via the creation of the EMBA in Renewables program.

The EMBA in Renewables program is designed to develop future leaders in that industry. This program provides business fundamentals included in an MBA specifically for experienced energy professionals. Working with renewable energy professionals and academicians, the curriculum will be designed so that every course is focused on the renewable energy industry. There are three overarching themes in the program: Energy Systems, Leadership, and Globalization. Each course will be put together in such a way that it reflects different forms of renewable energy within the renewable energy space – accounting, finance, economics, trading, strategy, etc.
Online Delivery Request for Existing Program

GALLOGLY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Industrial and Systems Engineering, Master of Science (RPC 130, MC M524)

Request to add online delivery to the M.S. in Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Reason for request:

Due to the rapidly changing health and safety environment, OU must increase programs offered online for students to participate in at a distance. Enrollment in online programs has been increasing at the Undergraduate and Graduate levels since 2012. While both audiences have grown in numbers of online learners, graduate programs have grown at larger percentages over the same timeframe. Online graduate degree enrollments grew by nearly 30% from 2012 to 2016.

Many Universities are using online education to keep their institutions open as a last line of defense against shrinking in-person enrollments that have been affecting central operating budgets since the end of 2008. Online learners appear to be moving away from national for-profit institutions and increasingly are enrolling in Universities within 100 miles of their residence with institutional brands they know and trust. In 2012, 44% of online learners were enrolled in a program within 50 miles of their residence, whereas in 2019, 67% of online learners met the same criteria.

The University of Oklahoma can provide higher academic quality than what a typical online University can provide because of our high standards and accreditation requirements. Our University is known as a high-quality institution with reputable faculty and businesses can expect high-quality students when they complete their degree. Our faculty network is large and has knowledge and experience that gives OU a competitive advantage. OU has a strong regional and national brand that provides a competitive advantage when students are looking for online education options.

Option Addition

GAYLORD COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

Journalism and Mass Communication, Master of Arts (RPC 138, MC MTBD)

Request to add a new Level IV option of Strategic Communication and Digital Strategy. The option requires 33 totals hours with 6 hours in the core, 18 hours of graduate electives in journalism and mass communication, and 9 hours of any approved OU graduate-level course. The total hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request:

Extension of current MA programs to provide young-to-mid career strategic communication professionals with an online opportunity to pursue graduate education. OU Online targeted Gaylord for creation of an online program that meets professional market opportunities found in Gaylord's primary research and Elsmere Education's secondary research.

The field of strategic communication at the graduate level is of particular interest to persons involved in or anticipating careers in advertising, public relations, or research. Working from the foundation of the graduate curriculum's core courses, the strategic communication emphasis offers a mix of theory and practical courses.
AGENDA ITEM 5

ISSUE: FISCAL YEAR 2020 INDEPENDENT AUDITS – HSC & NC

ACTION PROPOSED:

President Harroz recommends the Board of Regents:

I. Accept the fiscal year 2020 independent auditors’ reports and audited financial statements for the Health Sciences Center Campus; and

II. Accept the fiscal year 2020 independent auditors’ reports and audited financial statements for the Norman Campus.

BACKGROUND AND/OR RATIONALE:

At the October 2020 meeting of the Board of Regents’ Finance, Audit and Risk Committee, Eide Bailly presented for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 the “Independent Auditors’ Report,” the Audited Financial Statements, for the Health Sciences Center Campus and the Norman Campus, respectively. The audits were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Governmental Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.