

January 24, 2025

Regional University System of Oklahoma 305 N.W. 5<sup>th</sup> St., #407 Oklahoma City, OK 73102-4741

**Dear Board Members:** 

The recommendations of Northwestern Oklahoma State University are as follows:

#### I. PERSONNEL

## A. Faculty Appointments

### School or Arts & Sciences

**Mr. Alexander Perkins**, has been appointed Instructor of Instrumental Music and Director of Bands in a permanent full-time position. Appointment is effective January 13, 2025 at an academic salary rate of \$46,680.

Mr. Perkins' degrees are: M.M. (2019) Music Instrumental Performance, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO; B.M. (2016) Music, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS.

Mr. Perkins has been most recently employed as Graduate Teaching Assistant (2) at Washington State University, Pullman, WA; Adjunct Instructor (2) at William Jewell College, Liberty, MO and Missouri Southern State University, Joplin, MO.

**Dr. Donald Pratt**, has been appointed Associate Professor of Biology in a permanent full-time position. Appointment is effective August 12, 2025 at an academic salary rate of \$65,000.

Dr. Pratt's degrees are: PhD. (2003) Botany-Plant Systematics and Evolution and M.S. (1999) Botany-Plant Systematics and Evolution, Iowa State University, Ames, IA; B.S. (1994) Botany, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT.

Dr. Pratt has been most recently employed as an Upper School Principal (2) at Equity American School, Guatemala City, Guatemala; Professor of Biology (19) at Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX.

# B. Faculty Resignation

**Dr. Denise Floyd,** Assistant Professor of Nursing, has submitted a letter of resignation effective December 16, 2024. Dr. Floyd has been employed with the University since August 10, 2021.

### C. Retirement With Resolution

**Dr. Steven Mackie,** Professor of Education, has submitted a letter stating his intention to retire effective May 1, 2025. Dr. Mackie has been employed with the University since August 12, 2008. A resolution recognizing his years of service to Northwestern is attached.

**Dr. Martha Young,** Professor of Education, has submitted a letter stating her intention to retire effective May 1, 2025. Dr. Young has been employed with the University since August 12, 1994. A resolution recognizing her years of service to Northwestern is attached.

### II. PURCHASES

None at this time

### III. GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

City of Alva.....\$292,551.50

Economic Development Scholarship Incentive receipts for Fall 2024. Mr. Allen (Skeeter) Bird, Chief Executive Officer of the Northwestern Foundation and Alumni Association, is the scholarship coordinator.

TOTAL GRANTS......\$292,551.50

### IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

## A. Academic Calendar

Attached is the Academic Calendar for 2025-2026 for Northwestern Oklahoma State University. The calendar has been submitted for approval to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

## **B. Summer Hours**

Northwestern will continue summer work schedule implemented in 2002. Employees will work 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Summer hours will be in effect for 11 weeks; Monday, May 19 thru Thursday, July 31, 2025.

Sincerely,

Bo Hannaford, Ed.D.

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President