



Office of the President
**Southeastern Oklahoma
State University**

Dear Regent McDermott:

Regent Jane McDermott
Regional University System of Oklahoma
Landmark Towers
3555 Northwest 58th, Suite 320
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Dear Regent McDermott:

The recommendations of Southeastern Oklahoma State University are as follows:

I. PERSONNEL

NEW FACULTY

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

James Sutton was appointed full-time Instructor/Coordinator of Graduate Academic Services in the Department of Behavioral Sciences, effective August 1, 2024, at a salary of \$47,189.00

Mr. Sutton earned his B.A. from Southeastern Oklahoma State University in 2019. He earned his M.A. from the University of Oklahoma in 2021.

II. REVENUE GENERATING CONTRACTS

In accordance with Board policy 2.3.6, Revenue Generating Contracts, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is requesting to enter into an agreement with Dobson Fiber. The agreement will allow Dobson Fiber to utilize rack space in our data center as well as existing fiber conduit throughout campus.

III. MASTER LEASE EQUIPMENT

Request approval to enter into the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority 2024 Equipment Master Lease Program with the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to participate in the project listed below.

Name of Project: Paul Laird Field Turf Replacement

Project Description: Replacement of the artificial surface at Paul Laird Field is in alignment with industry and safety standards. It is recommended to replace the surface every 8-10 years based on usage, safety testing and wear and tear.

Project Budget: \$900,000

The projected annual debt payment for this project would be about \$110,000 over a 10-year period.

Location of Project: SOSU Main Campus – Durant, Oklahoma

Project Number(s): Congruent with Facilities Master Plan project: 660-0809

Source of Funding: Durant Community Facilities Authority, Mandatory Fees, E&G I, Auxiliary

Reimbursement: The Bond Oversight Commission requires that each participating entity's Governing Board approve their participation in the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority's 2024 Equipment Master Lease Program and if funds are to be reimbursed by bond proceeds, a reimbursement resolution must be approved. The project consists of the replacement of the football field turf at Paul Laird Field.

It is anticipated that certain expenses related to the Project may be required to be paid by the University prior to the receipt of the bond proceeds.

Under Federal Guidelines, a reimbursement allocation is a designated use of bond proceeds to pay an expenditure which was previously paid from sources other than bond proceeds. According to Internal Revenue Code, Section 1.150-2, certain original expenditures related to capital projects may be reimbursed from bond proceeds if the Board declares the intent to do so in a formal resolution. This item will serve as the formal resolution that the Board intends to apply proceeds of a borrowing to reimburse itself for costs of this Project paid prior to the issue date of such borrowing.

IV. PURCHASES BETWEEN \$50,000 AND \$150,000

In accordance with Board policy 2.3.3, Purchases exceeding \$50,000 but not over \$150,000, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is reporting the following purchase:

| Vendor | Description | Amount | Funding Source |
|---------------------|---|-------------|----------------|
| Semple Brown Design | Architectural Services for Museum Expansion | \$56,859.59 | Donated Funds |
| Cxtec | Servers | \$52,800 | E&G Part I |

V. PURCHASES EXCEEDING \$150,000

In accordance with Board policy 2.3.4, Purchases exceeding \$150,000, Southeastern Oklahoma State University is requesting approval to purchase the following items:

Item: Paul Laird Field Turf
Description: Replacement of the artificial surface at Paul Laird Field is in alignment with industry and safety standards. It is recommended to replace the surface every 8-10 years based on usage, safety testing and wear and tear.
Amount: \$900,000
Source of Funding: Master Lease Equipment 2024, Durant Community Facilities Authority, E&G I, Auxiliary
Vendor: TBD through use of TOPS (The Oklahoma Purchasing System) Cooperative Purchasing Program

Sincerely,



Thomas W. Newsom, President