# Resolution

Whereas, the community of Seminole, Oklahoma has been the driving force for the creation, preservation and development of its two-year community college since 1931; and,

Whereas, the community came together to save the college from closure in 1969 by financially and politically supporting the separation of the college from the local high school; and,

Whereas, local board control was sanctioned by the Oklahoma Legislature and has been in place since the college's separation from the high school; and,

Whereas, there are strong historic, emotional and cultural ties between the local community and the college;

**Now therefore**, be it resolved that the Board of Regents of Seminole State College hereby collectively and unanimously endorse efforts to retain local control of Seminole State College through the existing structure of its Board of Regents.

Passed in public session and signed this 17th day of January, 2019.

Marci Donaho, Chair

Seminole State College Board of Regents

Curtis Morgan, Vice Chair

Seminole State College Board of Regents

Ray McQuiston, Regent

Seminole State College Board of Regents

Kim Hyden, Regent

Seminole State College Board of Regents

Ryan Franklin, Secretary

Seminole State College Board of Regents

Paige Sherry, Regent

Seminole State College Board of Regents

Bryan Cain, Regent

Seminole State College Board of Regents

#### RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

January 25, 2019

#### Seminole Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors

On behalf of the business and individual members of the Seminole Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber's Board of Directors hereby votes to support efforts for maintaining local Board governance of Seminole State College.

In response to recommendations by the Oklahoma Higher Education Task Force made in 2017 to merge several rural community colleges, including Seminole State College, with other institutions and to dissolve their Boards of Regents effective June 30, 2019, the Seminole Chamber of Commerce wishes to go on record stating such action would be detrimental to the College, the community and the employees and students of SSC.

Seminole State College is a major employer and active corporate citizen of Seminole. It provides economic strength to our area and vital educational and cultural opportunities for community members, as well as students. Maintaining local control of Seminole State College is of paramount importance in ensuring quality services continue to be provided to our area.

Be it resolved, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2019, that the Seminole Chamber of Commerce publicly support efforts to retain local control of Seminole State College through the existing structure of its Board of Regents.

Darren Frederick, President

# Seminole Public Schools



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### RESOLUTION

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Whereas, the community came together to save the college from closure in 1969 by financially and politically supporting the separation of the college from the high school; and

Whereas, local board control was sanctioned by the Oklahoma Legislature and has been in place since the college's separation from the high school; and

Whereas, there are strong historic, emotional, and cultural ties between the local community and the college;

Now therefore, be is resolved that the Board of Education of Seminole Public Schools hereby collectively and unanimously endorse efforts to retain local control of Seminole State College through the existing structure of its Board of Regents.

Passed in public session and signed this 11th day of February, 2019.

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Claudia Willis, President

Linda Hampton, Clerk

Lisa Cobb, Member

Marci Donaho, Vice Pres.

Sheylyn Foutz, Member

Alfred Gaches, Superintendent

## Resolution No. 2019-03

**Whereas**, the City of Seminole, Oklahoma has been a driving force for the creation and preservation of our community college since its inception in 1931, and,

**Whereas**, the citizens of Seminole joined forces to save the college from extinction in 1969 by donating land for the campus and passing a sales tax to support the college, and,

Whereas, the City of Seminole and Seminole State College historically have a strong relationship and have established many partnerships for the betterment of our citizens and the community,

**Now therefore**, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Seminole unanimously supports the efforts to retain governance of Seminole State College through a local Board of Regents.

Passed in public session and signed on this 12th day of February, 2019.

Mayor, Dr. Chayne Fisher

City Clerk, Jay Cox

## Resolution

**Whereas**, the Seminole State College Educational Foundation was established in 1972 with the purpose of stimulating and cultivating voluntary financial support in order to benefit Seminole State College, and,

Whereas, the funds of the Foundation are used to further the advancement of the College, including aid for charitable, benevolent, educational, scientific and literary purposes, and,

Whereas, the Foundation has and will continue to support the growth and advancement of the College in order to provide quality academic, athletic and leadership opportunities to area students, and

Whereas, the Foundation understands the importance of maintaining local governance of the College in order to better serve Seminole and surrounding communities:

**Now therefore**, be it resolved, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, that the Seminole State College Educational Foundation fully supports continued local control of Seminole State College through its Board of Regents.

Lance Wortham, Chair