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
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TO: Dr. Monty Sullivan
LCTCS President

THROUGH: Joseph F. Marin 
Vice President of Operations

FROM: Anthony Brown
Chief Facilities Management Officer

DATE: July 24, 2023

SUBJECT: Cooperative Endeavor Agreement Between SOWELA Technical
Community College and Landlocked Aviation

FOR BOARD ACTION

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board authorize the System President and the Chancellor of SOWELA Technical Community College to complete all requirements and execute all documents necessary to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Landlocked Aviation to transfer a (damaged) Boeing 727 to Landlocked Aviation.

Background: In August of 2020, Hurricane Laura caused extensive damage to the SOWELA Technical Community College campus in Lake Charles. Part of that damage was to a Boeing 727 aircraft, owned by the college, which is used in the aviation program. The damage was so severe that the cost to repair the aircraft is not fiscally feasible (approximately \$230,000). In 2022, SOWELA staff began to have conversations with the U.S. Air Force about the possibility of acquiring one of their JStar (Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System) aircraft from the fleet of JStars they were retiring in 2022.

As a result of these conversations, the Air Force agreed to donate one of their JStar aircraft to SOWELA to replace the damaged Boeing 727 aircraft. The JStar aircraft is scheduled to arrive at SOWELA sometime in late summer 2023. The college proposes to have the JStar repainted like the current Boeing 727, in the traditional school colors and logo. The company that painted the current Boeing 727 and who has agreed to paint the new JStar is Landlocked Aviation. Landlocked Aviation is a company who repairs and repaints large jets for companies such as Delta, Northwest, and other large airlines. Landlocked Aviation has expressed interest in acquiring the damaged Boeing 727 to utilize as a training tool for their paint technicians.

The college is not going to repair the Boeing 727, no longer needs the jet, and would be willing to transfer it to Landlocked Aviation. In exchange for Landlocked Aviation being able to utilize the old jet for training purposes, Landlocked has agreed to refinish/repaint the new JStar aircraft at a reduced or no cost. They have also agreed to work cooperatively with the college to offer training to SOWELA students and potentially hire the students for work in this high demand, high wage industry.

Fiscal Impact: The transfer of the Boeing 727 aircraft to Landlocked Aviation will not cost the college anything but will be a reduction in the college's costs for security and other aircraft maintenance requirements.

History of Prior Actions: N/A

Benefits to the System: The transfer of the aircraft will provide training opportunities for SOWELA's students, and the college will receive a benefit by having the new aircraft painted at reduced or no cost.



Approved for Recommendation to the Board
Dr. Monty Sullivan, President

Date August 9, 2023

Signature: 
Joseph J. Marin (Aug 3, 2023 16:33 CDT)

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