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TO: Dr. Monty Sullivan
LCTCS President

THROUGH: Joseph Marin
Chief Operations Officer

FROM: Anthony Brown
Director of Operations, Risk and Emergency Management

DATE: May 26, 2020

SUBJECT: Cooperative Endeavor Between the City of Jennings and the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, on behalf of SOWELA Technical Community College Jennings Campus

APPROVED

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LCTCS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FOR BOARD ACTION

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board authorize the President and the Chancellor of SOWELA Technical Community College to complete all of the requirements necessary to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement to transfer the former Jennings Campus to the City of Jennings. Conveyance documents for this transfer must be filed with the local Clerk of Courts and the State Land Office.

Background: In 2016, Facility Planning and Control constructed a new campus in Jennings for SOWELA Technical Community College using Capital Outlay funds. The new campus was occupied by the college upon its completion, but the former campus has been used for storage and as a maintenance/repair shop. The college proposes to transfer the former site to the City of Jennings, as it no longer needs this facility.

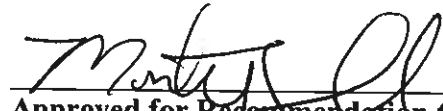
The facility was constructed in 1947 and was used by the military in World War II. It contains asbestos, lead paint and possibly mold. The college currently incurs costs to insure, secure and maintain this property. Since the property is no longer needed, needs costly repairs, and the college continues to incur operating costs, it is more economically feasible to transfer the property to the City, at no cost, rather than to continue to maintain its operation.

The new campus is located adjacent to Jennings High School on property donated to the LCTCS by the Jefferson Davis Parish Land Fill Commission. The City of Jennings provided funds to the Land Fill Commission to purchase the donated land. The Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) would allow the college to use the facility, once renovated, if needed, and will reference the donation of funds by the City of Jennings to acquire the land for the new campus to satisfy the requirements of the CEA.

Fiscal Impact: There is no costs to transfer the campus to the City and this action would reduce the college's operating costs.

History of Prior Actions: The LCTCS Board of Supervisors approved the donation of land for the new Jennings Campus during the July 2014 meeting.

Benefits to the System: The transfer of this property will reduce the operating costs of the college and allow the City of Jennings to acquire a property for repurposing.



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

6-10-2020
Date

SOWELA transfer of Jennings Campus to City of Jennings

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