Item G.2. McNeese State University’s request for approval of a contract with Ms. Giorgia Pozzan, Head Women’s Tennis Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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If the University terminates the agreement without cause, Coach shall be entitled to the remaining base salary she would have earned from the date of termination to the contract end date, or the University may reassign Coach to another suitable position at the base salary. No damages shall be due if termination is for just cause.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University’s request for approval of a contract with Ms. Giorgia Pozzan, Head Women’s Tennis Coach, effective July 1, 2020.
June 4, 2020

Dr. James B. Henderson, President
University of Louisiana System
1201 North Third Street
Suite 7-300
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Dr. Henderson:

McNeese State University requests approval of the contractual agreement with Ms. Giorgia Pozzan, Head Women’s Tennis Coach effective July 1, 2020.

Please place this item on the ULS Board of Supervisors’ agenda for consideration and approval at the June 25, 2020 meeting.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dr. Daryl V. Burckel
President

Attachments
McNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY

HEAD WOMEN’S TENNIS COACH
CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF CALCASIEU

This contract is made and entered into between McNeese State University through its President, Dr. Daryl V. Burekel, and GIORGIA POZZAN (hereinafter referred to as “COACH”). This agreement is subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System, the management board for McNeese State University (the “Board”). Therefore, the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement should not be considered a valid contract until approval is provided by the Board.

1.0 Employment

1.1 McNeese State University (the “University”) does hereby employ COACH as Head Women’s Tennis Coach and COACH does hereby accept employment and agrees to perform all of the services pertaining to Women’s Tennis which are required of COACH, as well as, other services as may be contemplated hereunder, all as prescribed by the University through its President and Athletics Director.

1.2 COACH shall be responsible, and shall report, directly to the University’s Director of Athletics (the “Director”) and shall confer with the Director or the Director’s designee on all administrative and technical matters. COACH shall also be under the general supervision of McNeese State University’s President.

1.3 COACH shall manage and supervise the team and shall perform such other duties in McNeese State University’s athletic program as the Director may assign.

1.4 COACH agrees to represent McNeese State University positively in public and private forums and shall not engage in conduct that reflects adversely on McNeese State University or its athletic programs.

2.0 Term

2.1 The term of this contract is for a fixed period of Twelve (12) months, commencing on the 1st day of July 2020, and terminating without further notice to COACH on the 30th day of June 2021 unless extended under the terms of this contract.

2.2 This contract is renewable solely upon an offer from McNeese State University and an acceptance by COACH, both of which must be in writing, signed by the parties, and approved by the Board. This contract in no way grants COACH a claim to tenure in employment, nor shall COACH’S service pursuant to this contract count in any way toward tenure at McNeese State University.

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3.0 Compensation

3.1 In consideration of COACH’S services and satisfactory performance, McNeese State University shall pay COACH a base annual (12-month) salary in the amount of $37,180, payable on a monthly basis.

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(c) Complete records will be maintained regarding income and expenditures associated with said show and available for verification by University auditors.
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(e) The COACH is an independent contractor during said radio or television activities and, as a University employee, will undertake to observe all general rules and policies of the University. This paragraph is designated to assure that nothing be done which is inconsistent with the maintenance of an educational campus environment and the character of a State institution which makes its facilities open to persons without discrimination.
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5.1 COACH may operate a camp for the teaching of athletic pursuits on the University property to the end of better utilization of the facilities and with suitable compensation paid to the University for the use of such facilities. The use of University facilities will be determined by the availability of those facilities as established by the University. COACH must adhere to the Policy for Use of Campus Facilities.

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   2. Comprehensive General Liability: $1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage;
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(d) Annual leave must be requested to cover the dates of the camp operation for all University personnel involved.
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6.3 The COACH may be reimbursed for miles driving the courtesy / leased vehicle on school-sponsored business as authorized and approved following the University of Louisiana System Athletic Travel Policy No. IA-V.(2a).

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7.1 The COACH shall participate in the mandatory employee benefit plans and be eligible for optional employee plans as would any other University unclassified employee. Such benefit will be based upon COACH’s base annual salary as provided by University.

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8.1 With approval from the University President and in accordance with University and Board policies, COACH shall be authorized to earn other revenue while employed by the University, but such activities are independent of his/her University employment, and the University shall have no responsibility for any claims arising there from. COACH shall be entitled to retain revenue generated from his/her operation of Tennis camps and/or Tennis clinics in accordance with University policy relating to camps or clinics conducted by Athletic Department personnel. All outside income will be subject to approval in accordance with the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System policies (Adopted 2/24/95). COACH shall report annually in writing to President all athletically-related income, revenue, and/or benefits COACH receives from sources outside University, and COACH shall abide by all NCAA regulations regarding outside compensation. All outside compensation must also comply with the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics.

9.0 Apparel, Equipment Endorsements

9.1 The University shall pay to COACH any funds for which he/she is responsible in obtaining for the University through his/her endorsements of show, apparel, or equipment manufacturers. The benefits shall not be considered earned income for the purpose of computation of retirement benefits, and COACH shall be responsible for all applicable taxes.

10.0 Compliance with NCAA and Conference Rules and Regulations, and University Policies and Procedures

10.1 COACH shall abide by the NCAA and Conference rules and regulations and the policies and procedures of the University. Pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 11.2.1, Coach understands that Coach has an affirmative obligation to cooperate fully in the infractions process, including the investigation and adjudication of a case (see NCAA Bylaw 19.2.3). If found in violation of NCAA regulations, COACH shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the NCAA enforcement procedures (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1). If found in violation of Conference rules and regulations, or University policies and procedures, COACH shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth by Conference rules and regulations or University policies and procedures. COACH may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or the employment of COACH may be terminated if COACH is found to be involved in deliberate and serious, or repetitive, violations of NCAA regulations (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1), Conference rules and regulations, or University policies and procedures.

10.2 COACH shall also abide by the State of Louisiana Code of Government Ethics, University Policy and Procedures, and the policies and procedures of the University of Louisiana System. In public appearances he/she shall at all times conduct himself/herself in a manner that befits a University official and shall always attempt to create goodwill and a good image for the University.

10.3 COACH shall promote an atmosphere for compliance within the program supervised by the COACH and shall monitor the activities regarding compliance of all assistant coaches and other administrators involved with the program who report directly or indirectly to the COACH (NCAA Division I Bylaw 11.1.2.1 Responsibility of Head Coach).

11.0 Compliance with Local, State and Federal Laws

11.1 COACH shall abide by the laws of the local, state and federal governments. COACH may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or the employment of COACH may be terminated if COACH is found to be involved in violation or gross disregard of local, state or federal laws.
12.0 Financial Incentive for Academic Success

12.1 COACH shall be eligible to receive a financial incentive for academic success within the Women's Tennis program as defined in the University Athletic Department policy. The policy is as follows:

“A head coach whose team’s NCAA Multi-Year (Four-Year Rolling Average) Academic Progress Rate (APR) exceeds the national average for Division I public institutions for the reported academic year shall receive a financial incentive award in the amount of $1,000. In addition, the full-time academic support, athletic department staff members may receive a financial incentive award in the amount of $200 for each team that surpasses the aforementioned national benchmark. In order for a coach or staff member to be eligible to receive this award, the coach or staff member must have been employed at McNeese State University in their current capacity at least one full academic year and subsequently would be eligible for the award at the conclusion of their second year.”

14.0 Termination

14.1 Either party may terminate this contract without just cause prior to the expiration of its terms by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. Prior to termination of COACH, the University will obtain approval from the President of the University of Louisiana System.

14.2 COACH may be terminated by the Athletic Director at any time for misconduct, substantially manifest incompetence, violation or gross disregard of state or federal laws, and deliberate and serious violations of NCAA, conference, or university rules, regulations, policies or procedures. In the event of such termination, COACH will receive thirty (30) calendar days notice of termination or thirty (30) calendar days regular pay in lieu of such notice. All compensation, including salary, benefits and other remuneration incidental to employment, cease upon termination. The judgment as to whether the conduct of COACH constitutes cause under this provision shall not be exercised arbitrarily, capriciously or in a discriminatory manner by the University. No damages shall be due if termination is for just cause.

14.3 COACH may be terminated at any time due to financial circumstances in which the University and/or the University of Louisiana System has made declaration of financial exigency. Such a termination can be based on consideration of budgetary restrictions and priorities for maintenance of programs and services. In the event of such termination, COACH will receive six (6) months notice of termination or six (6) months regular pay in lieu of such notice. All compensation, including salary, benefits, and other remuneration incidental to employment, cease upon termination.

14.4 The University may, at any time, and in its sole discretion, terminate the employment of COACH for any reason. In the event the University terminates the contract, without cause, the University, at its option, may reassign COACH to another suitable position at the University for the remainder of the contract period at a salary equal to the base salary in Section 3.1. Otherwise, the COACH shall be entitled to the remaining base salary that he/she would have earned from the date of termination to the contract end date. Payments due from the University shall be due to COACH no later than sixty (60) days from the effective date of the termination. The parties agree that any amounts due beyond the current fiscal year shall be funded solely by the McNeese State University Foundation athletic related accounts.

14.5 Should COACH’s contract be terminated for just cause, the University shall not be liable for any payments or benefits specified in this contract past the effective date of termination. Just cause for termination shall include, but not be limited to:
(a) violation or gross disregard of local, state, or federal laws, NCAA or Conference rules or regulations, or University policies or procedures, as well as
(b) engaging in conduct, as solely determined by the University, which is clearly contrary to the character and responsibilities of a person occupying the position of Head Women’s Tennis Coach or which negatively or adversely affects the reputation of the University or McNeese State Athletics in any way.

15.0 Fundraising

15.1 All fundraising activities by COACH must be pre-approved by the Director, or his designee, and coordinated with the Vice President for University Advancement to ensure that such activities are in line with the mission of the department and in compliance with University policies.

16.0 Severability

16.1 If any provision of the Contract shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, either in whole or in part, this Contract shall be deemed amended to delete or modify, as necessary, the offending provision or to alter the bounds thereof in order to render it valid and enforceable.

17.0 Force Majeure

17.1 Neither party shall be considered in default performance of his or its obligations under this Contract if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. “Force Majeure” shall be understood to be any cause which is
18.0 Previous Contracts

18.1 This employment contract shall supersede and replace any and all previous employment contracts that may have been entered between the parties to this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this act in the presence of the undersigned competent witness.

WITNESSES:

[Signatures]

[Names and titles]

Approved by the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System at its meeting on the _______ day of ____________, 20_____

SECRETARY – Board of Supervisors
Item G.3. McNeese State University’s request for approval of a contract with Mr. Michael E. Fluty, Head Women’s Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under one-year agreement, through June 30, 2021, Coach will earn $43,913 annually. University may permit additional (non-recurring) supplemental pay to Coach for team participation in post-season events in accordance and as stipulated by the University policy titled Bonuses for Specific and Extraordinary Achievement and as allowed by NCAA bylaws. Coach may operate a camp as an independent contractor and must adhere to the Policy for Use of Campus Facilities. Coach may receive a courtesy/leased vehicle from a local dealership or a $500 monthly vehicle allowance from sources outside of the University, disbursed through the University. Coach is also eligible to receive a $1,000 financial incentive for academic success as defined by University Athletic Department policy.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

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June 4, 2020

Dr. James B. Henderson, President
University of Louisiana System
1201 North Third Street
Suite 7-300
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Dr. Henderson:

McNeese State University requests approval of the contractual agreement with Mr. Michael Fluty, Head Women’s Golf Coach effective July 1, 2020.

Please place this item on the ULS Board of Supervisors’ agenda for consideration and approval at the June 25, 2020 meeting.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dr. Daryl V. Burckel
President

Attachments
McNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY

HEAD WOMEN’S GOLF COACH
CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF CALCASIEU

This contract is made and entered into between McNeese State University through its President, Dr. Daryl V. Burckel, and MICHAEL E. FLUTY (hereinafter referred to as "COACH"). This agreement is subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System, the management board for McNeese State University (the "Board"). Therefore, the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement should not be considered a valid contract until approval is provided by the Board.

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“A head coach whose team’s NCAA Multi-Year (Four-Year Rolling Average) Academic Progress Rate (APR) exceeds the national average for Division I public institutions for the reported academic year shall receive a financial incentive award in the amount of $1,000. In addition, the full-time academic support, athletic department staff members may receive a financial incentive award in the amount of $200 for each team that surpasses the aforementioned national benchmark. In order for a coach or staff member to be eligible to receive this award, the coach or staff member must have been employed at McNeese State University in their current capacity for at least one full academic year and subsequently would be eligible for the award at the conclusion of their second year.”

14.0 Termination

14.1 Either party may terminate this contract without just cause prior to the expiration of its terms by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. Prior to termination of COACH, the University will obtain approval from the President of the University of Louisiana System.

14.2 COACH may be terminated by the Athletic Director at any time for misconduct, substantial and manifest incompetence, violation or gross disregard of state or federal laws, and deliberate and serious violations of NCAA, conference, or university rules, regulations, policies or procedures. In the event of such termination, COACH will receive thirty (30) calendar days notice of termination or thirty (30) calendar day’s regular pay in lieu of such notice. All compensation, including salary, benefits and other remuneration incidental to employment, cease upon termination. The judgment as to whether the conduct of COACH constitutes cause under this provision shall not be exercised arbitrarily, capriciously or in a discriminatory manner by the University. No damages shall be due if termination is for just cause.

14.3 COACH may be terminated at any time due to financial circumstances in which the University and/or the University of Louisiana System has made declaration of financial exigency. Such a termination can be based on consideration of budgetary restrictions and priorities for maintenance of programs and services. In the event of such termination, COACH will receive six (6) months notice of termination or six (6) months regular pay in lieu of such notice. All compensation, including salary, benefits, and other remuneration incidental to employment, cease upon termination.

14.4 The University may at any time, and in its sole discretion, terminate the employment of COACH for any reason. In the event the University terminates the contract, without cause, the University, at its option, may reassign COACH to another suitable position at the University for the remainder of the contract period at a salary equal to the base salary in Section 3.1. Otherwise, the COACH shall be entitled to the remaining base salary that he/she would have earned from the date of termination to the contract end date. Payments due from the University shall be due to COACH no later than sixty (60) days from the effective date of the termination. The parties agree that any amounts due beyond the current fiscal year shall be funded solely by the McNeese State University Foundation athletic related accounts.

14.5 Should COACH’s contract be terminated for just cause, the University shall not be liable for any payments or benefits specified in this contract past the effective date of termination. Just cause for termination shall include, but not be limited to:
   (a) violation or gross disregard of local, state, or federal laws, NCAA or Conference rules or regulations, or University policies or procedures, as well as
   (b) engaging in conduct, as solely determined by the University, which is clearly contrary to the character and responsibilities of a person occupying the position of *Head Women's Golf Coach* or which negatively or adversely affects the reputation of the University or McNeese State Athletics in any way.

15.0 Fundraising

15.1 All fundraising activities by COACH must be pre-approved by the Director, or his designee, and coordinated with the Vice President for University Advancement to ensure that such activities are in line with the mission of the department and in compliance with University policies.

16.0 Severability

16.1 If any provision of the Contract shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, either in whole or in part, this Contract shall be deemed amended to delete or modify, as necessary, the offending provision or to alter the bounds thereof in order to render it valid and enforceable.

17.0 Force Majeure

17.1 Neither party shall be considered in default performance of his or its obligations under this Contract if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. “Force Majeure” shall be understood to be any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the party affected and which is forthwith, by notice from the party affected, brought to
the attention of the other party, including but not limited to war, hostilities, revolution, civil commotion, strike, lockout, epidemic, accident, fire, wind or flood or any requirements of law, or an act of God.

18.0 Previous Contracts

18.1 This employment contract shall supersede and replace any and all previous employment contracts that may have been entered between the parties to this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this act in the presence of the undersigned competent witness.

WITNESSES:

\[Signature\]

\[Signature\]

\[Signature\]

\[Signature\]

\[Signature\]

\[Signature\]

Approved by the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System at its meeting on the _____ day of __________, 20______.

SECRETARY – Board of Supervisors
Item G.4. McNeese State University’s request for approval of a contract with Mr. Derek Plucienski, Head Men’s Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under this one-year agreement, through June 30, 2021, Coach will earn $43,000 annually. University may permit additional (non-recurring) supplemental pay to Coach for team participation in post-season events in accordance and as stipulated by the University policy titled Bonuses for Specific and Extraordinary Achievement and as allowed by NCAA bylaws. Coach may operate a camp as an independent contractor and must adhere to the Policy for Use of Campus Facilities. Coach may receive a courtesy/leased vehicle from a local dealership or a $500 monthly vehicle allowance from sources outside of the University, disbursed through the University. Coach is also eligible to receive a $1,000 financial incentive for academic success as defined by University Athletic Department policy.

If the University terminates the agreement without cause, Coach shall be entitled to the remaining base salary he would have earned from the date of termination to the contract end date, or the University may reassign Coach to another suitable position at the base salary. No damages shall be due if termination is for just cause.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University’s request for approval of a contract with Mr. Derek Plucienski, Head Men’s Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.
June 4, 2020

Dr. James B. Henderson, President  
University of Louisiana System  
1201 North Third Street  
Suite 7-300  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Dr. Henderson:

McNeese State University requests approval of the contractual agreement with Mr. Derek Plucienski, Head Men’s Golf Coach effective July 1, 2020.

Please place this item on the ULS Board of Supervisors’ agenda for consideration and approval at the June 25, 2020 meeting.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Daryl V. Burckel  
President

Attachments
McNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY

HEAD MEN’S GOLF COACH
CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF CALCASIEU

This contract is made and entered into between McNeese State University through its President, Dr. Daryl V. Burckel, and DEREK PLUCIENSKI (hereinafter referred to as “COACH”). This agreement is subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System, the management board for McNeese State University (the “Board”). Therefore, the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement should not be considered a valid contract until approval is provided by the Board.

1.0 Employment

1.1 McNeese State University (the “University”) does hereby employ COACH as Head Men’s Golf Coach and COACH does hereby accept employment and agrees to perform all of the services pertaining to Men’s Golf which are required of COACH, as well as, other services as may be contemplated hereunder, all as presribed by the University through its President and Athletics Director.

1.2 COACH shall be responsible, and shall report, directly to the University’s Director of Athletics (the “Director”) and shall confer with the Director or the Director’s designee on all administrative and technical matters. COACH shall also be under the general supervision of McNeese State University’s President.

1.3 COACH shall manage and supervise the team and shall perform such other duties in McNeese State University’s athletic program as the Director may assign.

1.4 COACH agrees to represent McNeese State University positively in public and private forums and shall not engage in conduct that reflects adversely on McNeese State University or its athletic programs.

2.0 Term

2.1 The term of this contract is for a fixed period of Twelve (12) months, commencing on the 1st day of July 2020, and terminating without further notice to COACH on the 30th day of June 2021 unless extended under the terms of this contract.

2.2 This contract is renewable solely upon an offer from McNeese State University and an acceptance by COACH, both of which must be in writing, signed by the parties, and approved by the Board. This contract in no way grants COACH a claim to tenur in employment, nor shall COACH’S service pursuant to this contract count in any way toward tenure at McNeese State University.

2.3 This contract may be amended or extended at any time during the period of this contract by mutual agreement of all parties.

3.0 Compensation

3.1 In consideration of COACH’S services and satisfactory performance, McNeese State University shall pay COACH a base annual (12-month) salary in the amount of $43,000, payable on a monthly basis.

3.2 The University does not guarantee amounts due under this contract beyond the current year of performance. Should the contract be terminated for any reason, amounts due shall be determined in accordance with section 14 of this contract.

3.3 The University may permit additional (non-recurring) supplemental pay to COACH for specific and extraordinary achievement in accordance and as stipulated by the University policy entitled Bonuses for Specific and Extraordinary Achievement and as allowed by NCAA Division I bylaw 11.3.2.3.

3.4 In this appointment, in accordance with ULS Policy Number FS.111.XXI.-1, COACH will not accrue Compensatory Leave and COACH will be exempt from taking leave when the University is officially closed at holiday breaks.

3.5 COACH may be eligible for cost of living or merit pay increases in addition to the stated base salary. COACH is also subject to pay adjustment according to economic circumstances that affect all employees in the unclassified state service.

4.0 Contracts for Broadcast and/or Telecast

4.1 COACH may host a radio or television show to promote the McNeese State University Men’s Golf Team.
4.2 It is specifically agreed that in the filming or producing of such shows, COACH acts for himself/herself in his/her private capacity and not as an agent or employee of the University and that this contract constitutes merely a license to use the property and facilities subject to the conditions hereafter stated:
(a) The COACH agrees to pay the University all out-of-pocket costs incurred by the University in the filming or production of the show.
(b) Long distance phone calls, University supplies, printing, postage, University vehicles, etc., will be utilized on a complete University cost recovery basis.
(c) Complete records will be maintained regarding income and expenditures associated with said show and available for verification by University auditors.
(d) The COACH agrees to protect, indemnify and save harmless the University from and against any and all expenses, damages, claims, suits, actions, judgments, and costs whatsoever, including reasonable attorney’s fees, arising out of or in any way connected with any claim or action for property loss, personal injury or death resulting from said show.
(e) The COACH is an independent contractor during said radio or television activities and, as a University employee, will undertake to observe all general rules and policies of the University. This paragraph is designated to assure that nothing be done which is inconsistent with the maintenance of an educational campus environment and the character of a State institution which makes its facilities open to persons without discrimination.
(f) The Director of Intercollegiate Athletics will be the administrative officer of the University who will be advised by the COACH of any problems or questions which may arise out of the radio or television show.

5.0 Camps and Clinics

5.1 COACH may operate a camp for the teaching of athletic pursuits on the University property to the end of better utilization of the facilities and with suitable compensation paid to the University for the use of such facilities. The use of University facilities will be determined by the availability of those facilities as established by the University. COACH must adhere to the Policy for Use of Campus Facilities.

5.2 It is specifically agreed that in the operation of such camps, COACH acts for himself/herself in his/her private capacity and not as an agent or employee of the University and that this contract constitutes merely a license to use the property and facilities subject to the conditions hereafter stated:
(a) Special set-ups or changes in original set-up of facilities will be taken care of by the COACH with no cost to the University.
(b) The COACH agrees to pay the University all out-of-pocket costs incurred by the University in making the facilities available for the camps.
(c) The COACH agrees to secure a policy of insurance in a company approved by the University’s Risk Management Office under which the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System, the University, its agents and servants, are named as the insured (or as an additional insured) which provides:
1. **Workers’ Compensation and Employers Liability**: Workers’ Compensation limits as required by the Labor Code of the State of Louisiana and Employers Liability coverage if COACH hires any employees to work at such camps or clinics;
2. **Comprehensive General Liability**: $1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage;
3. **Other Insurance Requirements**: provided in the Policy for Use of Campus Facilities.
(d) Annual leave must be requested to cover the dates of the camp operation for all University personnel involved.
(e) Complete records will be maintained regarding income and expenditures associated with said camp and available for verification by University auditors.
(f) The COACH agrees to protect, indemnify and save harmless the University from and against any and all expenses, damages, claims, suits, actions, judgments, and costs whatsoever, including reasonable attorney’s fees, arising out of or in any way connected with any claim or action for property loss, personal injury or death during the operation of said camp activities.
(g) The COACH is an independent contractor during said camp activities and, as such, is licensed to use certain facilities of the University. The COACH, as a University employee, will undertake to observe and require campers and its staff to conform to the general rules applicable to the use of University facilities. This paragraph is designated to assure that nothing be done which is inconsistent with the maintenance of an educational campus environment and the character of a State institution which makes its facilities open to persons without discrimination.
(h) The Director of Intercollegiate Athletics will be the administrative officer of the University who will be advised by the COACH of any problems or questions which may arise out of the operation of summer camps.
6.0 Courtesy / Leased Vehicle Benefit

6.1 The COACH may receive a courtesy/leased vehicle if an arrangement can be made through a local dealership. The benefit shall not be considered earned income for the purpose of computation of retirement benefits, and COACH shall be responsible for all applicable taxes. The University has no obligation to furnish a vehicle to COACH. The arrangements for a vehicle may be made by either the Athletics Director or COACH. (a) Should a courtesy/leased vehicle arrangement not be available with a local dealership COACH may receive a monthly monetary allowance not to exceed $500.00 toward the expense of a vehicle. Funding for the allowance must originate from sources outside of the University, and an amount equal to the annual sum of the allowance must be transferred to the University upon signature of this contract. The University will disburse the allowance to COACH in equal monthly installments using University normal payroll procedures.

6.2 Insurance on any courtesy / leased vehicle must be paid for by the dealership, the COACH, or some other arrangement agreed to by the Athletics Director.

6.3 The COACH may be reimbursed for miles driving the courtesy / leased vehicle on school-sponsored business as authorized and approved following the University of Louisiana System Athletic Travel Policy No. IA-V(2a).

7.0 Employee Benefits

7.1 The COACH shall participate in the mandatory employee benefit plans and be eligible for optional employee plans as would any other University unclassified employee. Such benefit will be based upon COACH's base annual salary as provided by University.

8.0 Outside Income and/or Benefits

8.1 With approval from the University President and in accordance with University and Board policies, COACH shall be authorized to earn other revenue while employed by the University, but such activities are independent of his/her University employment, and the University shall have no responsibility for any claims arising there from. COACH shall be entitled to retain revenue generated from his/her operation of Golf camps and/or Golf clinics in accordance with University policy relating to camps or clinics conducted by Athletic Department personnel. All outside income will be subject to approval in accordance with the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System policies (Adopted 2/24/95). COACH shall report annually in writing to President all athletically-related income, revenue, and/or benefits Coach receives from sources outside University, and Coach shall abide by all NCAA regulations regarding outside compensation. All outside compensation must also comply with the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics.

9.0 Apparel, Equipment Endorsements

9.1 The University shall pay to COACH any funds for which he/she is responsible in obtaining for the University through his/her endorsements of show, apparel, or equipment manufacturers. The benefits shall not be considered earned income for the purpose of computation of retirement benefits, and COACH shall be responsible for all applicable taxes.

10.0 Compliance with NCAA and Conference Rules and Regulations, and University Policies and Procedures

10.1 COACH shall abide by the NCAA and Conference rules and regulations and the policies and procedures of the University. Pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 11.2.1, Coach understands that Coach has an affirmative obligation to cooperate fully in the infractions process, including the investigation and adjudication of a case (see NCAA Bylaw 19.2.3). If found in violation of NCAA regulations, COACH shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the NCAA enforcement procedures (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1). If found in violation of Conference rules and regulations, or University policies and procedures, COACH shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth by Conference rules and regulations or University policies and procedures. COACH may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or the employment of COACH may be terminated if COACH is found to be involved in deliberate and serious, or repetitive, violations of NCAA regulations (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1), Conference rules and regulations, or University policies and procedures.

10.2 COACH shall also abide by the State of Louisiana Code of Government Ethics, University Policy and Procedures, and the policies and procedures of the University of Louisiana System. In public appearances he/she shall at all times conduct himself/herself in a manner that benefits a University official and shall always attempt to create goodwill and a good image for the University.

10.3 COACH shall promote an atmosphere for compliance within the program supervised by the COACH and shall monitor the activities regarding compliance of all assistant coaches and other administrators involved with the program who report directly or indirectly to the COACH (NCAA Division I Bylaw 11.1.2.1 Responsibility of Head Coach).

11.0 Compliance with Local, State and Federal Laws

11.1 COACH shall abide by the laws of the local, state and federal governments. COACH may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or the employment of COACH may be terminated if COACH is found to be involved in violation or gross disregard of local, state or federal laws.
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12.1 COACH shall be eligible to receive a financial incentive for academic success within the Men’s Golf program as defined in the University Athletic Department policy. The policy is as follows:

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(b) engaging in conduct, as solely determined by the University, which is clearly contrary to the character and responsibilities of a person occupying the position of Head Men’s Golf Coach or which negatively or adversely affects the reputation of the University or McNeese State Athletics in any way.

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15.1 All fundraising activities by COACH must be pre-approved by the Director, or his designee, and coordinated with the Vice President for University Advancement to ensure that such activities are in line with the mission of the department and in compliance with University policies.

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16.1 If any provision of the Contract shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, either in whole or in part, this Contract shall be deemed amended to delete or modify, as necessary, the offending provision or to alter the bounds thereof in order to render it valid and enforceable.

17.0 Force Majeure

17.1 Neither party shall be considered in default performance of his or its obligations under this Contract if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. “Force Majeure” shall be understood to be any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the party affected and which is forthwith, by notice from the party affected, brought to
the attention of the other party, including but not limited to war, hostilities, revolution, civil commotion, strike, lockout, epidemic, accident, fire, wind or flood or any requirements of law, or an act of God.

18.0 Previous Contracts

18.1 This employment contract shall supersede and replace any and all previous employment contracts that may have been entered between the parties to this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this act in the presence of the undersigned competent witness.

WITNESSES:

[Cathy O'Neil]

DEREK PLUCIENSKI, Date 5/19/2020
Head Men's Golf Coach
McNeese State University

[Tanner Stines, Interim Director of Athletics]
Date 5/19/2020
Interim Director of Athletics
McNeese State University

Dr. Daryl V. Burckel, President
Date 5-23-20
McNeese State University

Approved by the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System at its meeting on the ____________ day of

_________________ 20__

SECRETARY – Board of Supervisors
Item G.5. McNeese State University’s request for approval of a contract with Mr. Brendon James Gilroy, Head Men/Women’s Track Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under this one-year agreement, through June 30, 2021, Coach will earn $57,056 annually. University may permit additional (non-recurring) supplemental pay to Coach for team participation in post-season events in accordance and as stipulated by the University policy titled Bonuses for Specific and Extraordinary Achievement and as allowed by NCAA bylaws. Coach may operate a camp as an independent contractor and must adhere to the Policy for Use of Campus Facilities. Coach may receive a courtesy/leased vehicle from a local dealership or a $500 monthly vehicle allowance from sources outside of the University, disbursed through the University. Coach is also eligible to receive a $1,000 financial incentive for academic success as defined by University Athletic Department policy.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University’s request for approval of a contract with Mr. Brendon James Gilroy, Head Men/Women’s Track Coach, effective July 1, 2020.
June 4, 2020

Dr. James B. Henderson, President  
University of Louisiana System  
1201 North Third Street  
Suite 7-300  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Dr. Henderson:

McNeese State University requests approval of the contractual agreement with Mr. Brendon Gilroy, Head Men’s and Women’s Track Coach effective July 1, 2020.

Please place this item on the ULS Board of Supervisors' agenda for consideration and approval at the June 25, 2020 meeting.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Daryl V. Burckel  
President

Attachments
McNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY

HEAD MEN’S AND WOMEN’S TRACK COACH
CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF CALCASIEU

This contract is made and entered into between McNeese State University through its President, Dr. Daryl V. Burckel, and BRENDON J. GILROY (hereinafter referred to as "COACH"). This agreement is subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System, the management board for McNeese State University (the "Board"). Therefore, the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement should not be considered a valid contract until approval is provided by the Board.

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1.1 McNeese State University (the "University") does hereby employ COACH as Head Men’s and Women’s Track Coach and COACH does hereby accept employment and agrees to perform all of the services pertaining to Men’s and Women’s Track which are required of COACH, as well as, other services as may be contemplated hereunder, all as prescribed by the University through its President and Athletics Director.

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2.0 Term

2.1 The term of this contract is for a fixed period of Twelve (12) months, commencing on the 1st day of July 2020, and terminating without further notice to COACH on the 30th day of June 2021 unless extended under the terms of this contract.

2.2 This contract is renewable solely upon an offer from McNeese State University and an acceptance by COACH, both of which must be in writing, signed by the parties, and approved by the Board. This contract in no way grants COACH a claim to tenure in employment, nor shall COACH’s service pursuant to this contract count in any way toward tenure at McNeese State University.

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   1. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability: Workers' Compensation limits as required by the Labor Code of the State of Louisiana and Employers Liability coverage if COACH hires any employees to work at such camps or clinics;
   2. Comprehensive General Liability: $1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage;
   3. Other Insurance Requirements: provided in the Policy for Use of Campus Facilities.
(d) Annual leave must be requested to cover the dates of the camp operation for all University personnel involved.
(e) Complete records will be maintained regarding income and expenditures associated with said camp and available for verification by University auditors.
(f) The COACH agrees to protect, indemnify and save harmless the University from and against any and all expenses, damages, claims, suits, actions, judgments, and costs whatsoever, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in any way connected with any claim or action for property loss, personal injury or death during the operation of said camp activities.
(g) The COACH is an independent contractor during said camp activities and, as such, is licensed to use certain facilities of the University. The COACH, as a University employee, will undertake to observe and require campers and its staff to conform to the general rules applicable to the use of University facilities. This paragraph is designated to assure that nothing be done which is inconsistent with the maintenance of an educational campus environment and the character of a State institution which makes its facilities open to persons without discrimination.
(h) The Director of Intercollegiate Athletics will be the administrative officer of the University who will be advised by the COACH of any problems or questions which may arise out of the operation of summer camps.
6.0 **Courtesy / Leased Vehicle Benefit**

6.1 The COACH may receive a courtesy/leased vehicle if an arrangement can be made through a local dealership. The benefit shall not be considered earned income for the purpose of computation of retirement benefits, and COACH shall be responsible for all applicable taxes. The University has no obligation to furnish a vehicle to COACH. The arrangements for a vehicle may be made by either the Athletics Director or COACH.

(a) Should a courtesy/leased vehicle arrangement not be available with a local dealership COACH may receive a monthly monetary allowance not to exceed $500.00 toward the expense of a vehicle. Funding for the allowance must originate from sources outside of the University, and an amount equal to the annual sum of the allowance must be transferred to the University upon signature of this contract. The University will disburse the allowance to COACH in equal monthly installments using University normal payroll procedures.

6.2 Insurance on any courtesy / leased vehicle must be paid for by the dealership, the COACH, or some other arrangement agreed to by the Athletics Director.

6.3 The COACH may be reimbursed for miles driving the courtesy / leased vehicle on school-sponsored business as authorized and approved following the University of Louisiana System Athletic Travel Policy No. IA-V.(2a).

7.0 **Employee Benefits**

7.1 The COACH shall participate in the mandatory employee benefit plans and be eligible for optional employee plans as would any other University unclassified employee. Such benefit will be based upon COACH’s base annual salary as provided by University.

8.0 **Outside Income and/or Benefits**

8.1 With approval from the University President and in accordance with University and Board policies, COACH shall be authorized to earn other revenue while employed by the University, but such activities are independent of his/her University employment, and the University shall have no responsibility for any claims arising there from. COACH shall be entitled to retain revenue generated from his/her operation of Track camps and/or Track clinics in accordance with University policy relating to camps or clinics conducted by Athletic Department personnel. All outside income will be subject to approval in accordance with the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System policies (Adopted 2/24/95). Coach shall report annually in writing to President all athletically-related income, revenue, and/or benefits Coach receives from sources outside University, and Coach shall abide by all NCAA regulations regarding outside compensation. All outside compensation must also comply with the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics.

9.0 **Apparel, Equipment Endorsements**

9.1 The University shall pay to COACH any funds for which he/she is responsible in obtaining for the University through his/her endorsements of show, apparel, or equipment manufacturers. The benefits shall not be considered earned income for the purpose of computation of retirement benefits, and COACH shall be responsible for all applicable taxes.

10.0 **Compliance with NCAA and Conference Rules and Regulations, and University Policies and Procedures**

10.1 COACH shall abide by the NCAA and Conference rules and regulations and the policies and procedures of the University. Pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 11.2.1, Coach understands that Coach has an affirmative obligation to cooperate fully in the infractions process, including the investigation and adjudication of a case (see NCAA Bylaw 19.2.3). If found in violation of NCAA regulations, COACH shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the NCAA enforcement procedures (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1). If found in violation of Conference rules and regulations, or University policies and procedures, COACH shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth by Conference rules and regulations or University policies and procedures. COACH may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or the employment of COACH may be terminated if COACH is found to be involved in deliberate and serious, or repetitive, violations of NCAA regulations (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1), Conference rules and regulations, or University policies and procedures.

10.2 COACH shall also abide by the State of Louisiana Code of Government Ethics, University Policy and Procedures, and the policies and procedures of the University of Louisiana System. In public appearances he/she shall at all times conduct himself/herself in a manner that befits a University official and shall always attempt to create goodwill and a good image for the University.

10.3 COACH shall promote an atmosphere for compliance within the program supervised by the COACH and shall monitor the activities regarding compliance of all assistant coaches and other administrators involved with the program who report directly or indirectly to the COACH (NCAA Division I Bylaw 11.1.2.1 Responsibility of Head Coach).

11.0 **Compliance with Local, State and Federal Laws**

11.1 COACH shall abide by the laws of the local, state and federal governments. COACH may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or the employment of COACH may be terminated if COACH is found to be involved in violation or gross disregard of local, state or federal laws.
12.0 Financial Incentive for Academic Success

12.1 COACH shall be eligible to receive a financial incentive for academic success within the Men’s and Women’s Track program as defined in the University Athletic Department policy. The policy is as follows:

“A head coach whose team’s NCAA Multi-Year (Four-Year Rolling Average) Academic Progress Rate (APR) exceeds the national average for Division I public institutions for the reported academic year shall receive a financial incentive award in the amount of $1,000. In addition, the full-time academic support, athletic department staff members may receive a financial incentive award in the amount of $200 for each team that surpasses the aforementioned national benchmark. In order for a coach or staff member to be eligible to receive this award, the coach or staff member must have been employed at McNeese State University in their current capacity for at least one full academic year and subsequently would be eligible for the award at the conclusion of their second year.”

14.0 Termination

14.1 Either party may terminate this contract without just cause prior to the expiration of its terms by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. Prior to termination of COACH, the University will obtain approval from the President of the University of Louisiana System.

14.2 COACH may be terminated by the Athletic Director at any time for misconduct, substantial and manifest incompetence, violation or gross disregard of state or federal laws, and deliberate and serious violations of NCAA, conference, or university rules, regulations, policies or procedures. In the event of such termination, COACH will receive thirty (30) calendar days notice of termination or thirty (30) calendar day’s regular pay in lieu of such notice. All compensation, including salary, benefits and other remuneration incidental to employment, cease upon termination. The judgment as to whether the conduct of COACH constitutes cause under this provision shall not be exercised arbitrarily, capriciously or in a discriminatory manner by the University. No damages shall be due if termination is for just cause.

14.3 COACH may be terminated at any time due to financial circumstances in which the University and/or the University of Louisiana System has made declaration of financial exigency. Such a termination can be based on consideration of budgetary restrictions and priorities for maintenance of programs and services. In the event of such termination, COACH will receive six (6) months notice of termination or six (6) months regular pay in lieu of such notice. All compensation, including salary, benefits, and other remuneration incidental to employment, cease upon termination.

14.4 The University may at any time, and in its sole discretion, terminate the employment of COACH for any reason. In the event the University terminates the contract, without cause, the University, at its option, may reassign COACH to another suitable position at the University for the remainder of the contract period at a salary equal to the base salary in Section 3.1. Otherwise, the COACH shall be entitled to the remaining base salary that he/she would have earned from the date of termination to the contract end date. Payments due from the University shall be due to COACH no later than sixty (60) days from the effective date of the termination. The parties agree that any amounts due beyond the current fiscal year shall be funded solely by the McNeese State University Foundation athletic related accounts.

14.5 Should COACH’s contract be terminated for just cause, the University shall not be liable for any payments or benefits specified in this contract past the effective date of termination. Just cause for termination shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) violation or gross disregard of local, state, or federal laws, NCAA or Conference rules or regulations, or University policies or procedures, as well as

(b) engaging in conduct, as solely determined by the University, which is clearly contrary to the character and responsibilities of a person occupying the position of Head Men’s and Women’s Track Coach or which negatively or adversely affects the reputation of the University or McNeese State Athletics in any way.

15.0 Fundraising

15.1 All fundraising activities by COACH must be pre-approved by the Director, or his designee, and coordinated with the Vice President for University Advancement to ensure that such activities are in line with the mission of the department and in compliance with University policies.

16.0 Severability

16.1 If any provision of the Contract shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, either in whole or in part, this Contract shall be deemed amended to delete or modify, as necessary, the offending provision or to alter the bounds thereof in order to render it valid and enforceable.

17.0 Force Majeure

17.1 Neither party shall be considered in default performance of his or its obligations under this Contract if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. “Force Majeure” shall be understood to be any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the party affected and which is forthwith, by notice from the party affected, brought to
the attention of the other party, including but not limited to war, hostilities, revolution, civil commotion, strike, lockout, epidemic, accident, fire, wind or flood or any requirements of law, or an act of God.

18.0 Previous Contracts

18.1 This employment contract shall supersede and replace any and all previous employment contracts that may have been entered between the parties to this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this act in the presence of the undersigned competent witness.

WITNESSES:

[Signatures]

Brendon Gilroy, Head Men's and Women's Track Coach
McNeese State University

Tahlyre Stines, Interim Director of Athletics
McNeese State University

Dr. Daryl V. Barckel, President
McNeese State University

Approved by the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System at its meeting on the ______ day of

[Date], 20___.

SECRETARY – Board of Supervisors
Item G.6. Nicholls State University’s request for approval of supplemental compensation to certain Athletic Department employees.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Nicholls State University Athletic Department is requesting approval of supplemental compensation to certain Athletic Department employees for fiscal year 2020-21. Funding will be provided on behalf of the Nicholls State University Foundation, from private donations.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University’s request for approval of supplemental compensation to certain Athletic Department employees.
June 3, 2020

Via Electronic Transmittal Only

Dr. Jim Henderson
University of Louisiana System President
1201 North Third Street, Suite 7-300
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Dr. Henderson:

Nicholls State University requests consideration and approval of the following to be placed on the agenda for the June 25, 2020 meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System:

Supplemental On Behalf Payments.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jay Clune
President

JC/apf

Enclosures

c:  Dr. Alex Arceneaux, Executive Vice President
    Dr. Sue Westbrook, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
    Mr. Terry Braud, Vice President for Finance and Administration
    Ms. Lindsey McKaskle, Interim Athletic Director
    Dr. Todd Keller, Vice Provost
    Dr. Michele Caruso, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs
    Mr. Steven Kenney, Assistant Vice President for Human Resources and CDIO
    Mrs. Paulette Mayon, Internal Auditor
    Dr. James Stewart, Faculty Senate President/ Faculty Association Representative
    Mrs. Renee Hicks, Assistant VP of Strategic Initiatives, Effectiveness and Planning
    Ms. Monique Crochet, Executive Director of Alumni & External Affairs
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under the proposed agreement for the period through April 30, 2023, the Coach’s salary for each year is $88,2300, payable in 26 equal installments. During the time of employment, Coach will also have the opportunity to earn salary supplements as a result of promotional activities for the Demons Unlimited Foundation. The Foundation will compensate Coach separately for her May 1 appearances and promotional activities in support of its fundraising and marketing efforts. These payments, made through the University’s payroll system, are subject to all mandatory withholdings and are inclusive of retirement and Medicare payments. Supplemental payments based on incentive clauses are to be paid no later than the conclusion of the financial quarter immediately following the one in which the incentive payment was earned. The potential supplements/incentives are as follows:

• Coach will receive a housing stipend of $2,313 per month on an as funds available basis, retroactive to the start date of this contract.

• Coach will receive use of a vehicle from a dealership for personal and business use as arranged by the Demons Unlimited Foundation and, if use of the vehicle is discontinued, Coach will receive a $500 per month car stipend.

• Coach will receive use of a cell phone, including data and texting plan, with an approximate annual value of $1,000.

• Coach will receive an annual $2,000 stipend for participating in pre- and post-game radio interviews on an as funds available basis.

• Coach will receive $2,000 for promotional appearances in the event she wins the regular season conference championship or if her team is selected to play in the NCAA or NIT Tournament.

• Coach will receive additional payments for marketing, promotional, and fundraising opportunities that result from the advancement of the women’s basketball team in NCAA or NIT tournament competition as follows:
Coach will receive $5,000 for each round her NSU team wins in the NCAA/NIT tournament;

Coach will receive $7,500 should her team advance to the “Sweet 16” in either the NCAA or NIT tournament or in the semi-finals/finals of another postseason tournament;

Coach will receive $10,000 for each round her team wins beyond the round of “Sweet 16” in either the NCAA or NIT tournament; and

Coach will receive $25,000 for winning the NCAA or NIT Tournament.

- Coach shall receive $1,500 for promotional and/or appearances should she be selected as “Southland Conference or Louisiana Coach of the Year.”

- Coach is also eligible to receive a $1,000 marketing incentive payment for academic success as defined by University Athletic Department policy.

If the University terminates the agreement without cause, Coach shall be entitled to 75% of the base salary that she would have earned in the years remaining in the contract, less compensation received by the Coach from any other employment. The University is responsible for the current fiscal year compensation, through the end of the fiscal year (June 30). The Demons Unlimited Foundation is responsible for the remaining months in the agreement (the next July 1 through expiration).

In the event Coach terminates the contract without cause, Coach would be liable to the University for liquidated damages in the following manner:

- If after April 20, 2020 but before May 1, 2021 – $40,000
- If after April 30, 2021 but before May 1, 2022 – $30,000
- If after April 30, 2022 but before May 1, 2023 – $20,000

The University and the Demons Unlimited Foundation have combined this agreement into one joint employment agreement.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Northwestern State University’s request for approval of a contract with Ms. Anna Nimz, Head Women’s Basketball Coach, effective April 20, 2020.
June 1, 2020

Dr. Jim Henderson, President  
University of Louisiana System  
1201 North Third St., Suite 7-300  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802  

Re: Head Women’s Basketball Coach Contract - Anna Nimz

Dear Dr. Henderson:

Northwestern State University is submitting the attached contract for *Head Women’s Basketball Coach Contract - Anna Nimz* to be placed on the agenda for the June 2020 Board meeting.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dr. Chris Maggio  
President

Attachment
NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

for ANNA NIMZ

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF NATCHITOCHES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into as of this 25th day of June, 2020, by and between Northwestern State University (hereinafter "University") represented by Dr. Chris Maggio, President, the Demons Unlimited Foundation (hereinafter “Foundation”) and Anna Nimz , Head Women’s Basketball Coach (hereinafter “Coach”) of Northwestern State University. This agreement is subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System, the management board for Northwestern State University and therefore the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement should not be considered a valid contract until approval is provided by the board.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the University requires the services of a Head Women’s Basketball Coach and has selected the Coach to perform those services,

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. EMPLOYMENT

The University does hereby employ Anna Nimz as Head Women’s Basketball Coach at Northwestern State University, and Anna Nimz does hereby accept said employment and agrees to perform all those services pertaining to Head Women’s Basketball Coach as prescribed by the University through the President and the Director of Athletics.

1.1. Coach shall be responsible, and shall report, directly to Northwestern State University’s Director of Athletics (the “Director”) and shall confer with the Director or the Director’s designee on all administrative and technical matters. Coach shall also be under the general supervision of Northwestern State University’s President.

1.2. Coach shall manage and supervise the team and shall perform such other duties in Northwestern State University’s athletic program as the Director may assign.

1.3. Coach agrees to represent Northwestern State University positively in public and private forums and shall not engage in conduct that reflects adversely on Northwestern State University or its athletic programs.

2. TERM

The employment under the terms of this contract shall be for the period April 20, 2020 to April 30, 2023, subject to approval of the Board. This agreement is renewable solely upon an offer from the University and an acceptance by Coach, both of which must be in writing and signed by all the parties and approved by the Board. This agreement in no way grants the Coach a claim to tenure in employment, nor shall Coach’s service pursuant to this agreement count in any way toward tenure at the University.
3. UNIVERSITY SALARY

The University shall pay the Head Coach an annual salary payable in 26 equal installments as follows:

April 20, 2020 to April 30, 2020
Eighty-eight Thousand, Two-Hundred Thirty ($88,230) Dollars payable in 26 equal installments:

First Year of Contract
Eighty-eight Thousand, Two-Hundred Thirty ($88,230) Dollars payable in 26 equal installments:

Second Year of Contract
Eighty-eight Thousand, Two-Hundred Thirty ($88,230) Dollars payable in 26 equal installments:

Third Year of Contract
Eighty-eight Thousand, Two-Hundred Thirty ($88,230) Dollars payable in 26 equal installments:

3.1. The University does not guarantee amounts due under this contract beyond the current year of performance. Should the contract be terminated for any reason, amounts due shall be in accordance with Section 9.

3.2. The Coach may be eligible for cost of living or merit pay increases in addition to the stated base salary. The Coach is also subject to pay adjustments according to economic circumstances that affect all employees in the unclassified state services.

4. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The Coach shall participate in the mandatory employee benefit plans and be eligible for optional employee benefit plans as would any other University unclassified employee based upon her annual University salary only.

5. CAMPS AND CLINICS

5.1 Coach Nimz may operate and receive additional compensation for camps/clinics as outlined in the athletic department’s policy regulating camps and clinics.

a. All revenues from university camps/clinics will be deposited into Coach Nimz’s university camp budget. After all expenses are met, Coach Nimz may be compensated up to the amount of surplus remaining in the account, or use the profits to pay her assistant coaches, supplement her university women’s basketball operating budget, or a combination of the three, at her discretion.

b. Camps operated through the university camp budget will not be subject to facility fees.

c. Conducting camps and clinics is considered a part of Coach Nimz’s job description related to promoting the University and the athletic department; thus, Coach Nimz will not be required to take leave while conducting camps run through the University camp budget.

d. Coach Nimz’s camp budget will be charged for a personal injury insurance policy approved by the University for camp/clinic participants.
e. The Director of Athletics will be the administrative officer of the University who will be advised by the coach of any problems or questions which may arise out of the operation of the camps.

5.2 Private Camps

a. Coach may operate a camp for the teaching of athletic pursuits on University property to the end of better utilization of the facilities and with suitable compensation paid to the University for the use of such facilities. The use of University facilities will be determined by the availability of those facilities as established by University policy.

b. It is specifically agreed that in the operation of such camps, Coach acts for herself in her private capacity and not as an agent or employee of the University and that this agreement constitutes merely a license to use the property and facilities subject to the conditions hereafter stated.

- Special set-ups or changes in original set-up of facilities will be taken care of by the Coach with no cost to the University. The facilities must also be returned to the original set-up with no additional cost to the University.
- The Coach agrees to pay the University all out-of-pocket costs incurred by the University in making the facilities available for the camps.
- The Coach agrees to secure a policy of insurance with a company approved by the University’s Risk Management Office under which the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System, the University, and its agents and servants, are named as the insured (or as an additional insured) which provides:
  - Workers’ Compensation and Employers Liability: Workers Compensation limits are required by the Labor Code of the State of Louisiana and Employers Liability coverage if Coach hires any employees to work at such camps and clinics.
  - Comprehensive General Liability: $1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage.
- Annual leave must be requested to cover the dates of the camp operation for all University personnel involved.
- Complete records will be maintained regarding income and expenditures associated with said camp and available for verification by University auditors.
- The Coach agrees to protect, indemnify and save harmless the University from and against any and all expenses, damages, claims, suits, actions, judgments and costs whatsoever, including reasonable attorney’s fees, arising out of or in any way connected with any claim or action for property loss, personal injury or death during the operation of said camp activities.
- The Coach is an independent contractor during said camp activities and, as such, is licensed to use certain facilities of the University. The Coach, as a university employee, will undertake to observe and require campers and its staff to conform to the general rules applicable to the use of University facilities. This paragraph is designated to assure that nothing be done which is inconsistent with the maintenance of an educational campus environment and the character of a State institution which makes its facilities open to persons without discrimination.
c. The Director of Intercollegiate Athletics will be the administrative officer of the University who will be advised by the Coach of any problems or questions which may arise out of the operation of summer camps.

6. FOUNDATION SERVICES

During the time of employment as head coach, Coach Anna Nimz will also have the opportunity to earn salary supplements as a result of promotional activities for the Demons Unlimited Foundation. The Foundation will compensate Coach Nimz separately for her appearances and promotional activities in support of its fundraising and marketing efforts. These payments, made through the university’s payroll system, are subject to all mandatory withholdings and are inclusive of retirement and Medicare payments. Supplemental payments based on incentive clauses are to be paid no later than the conclusion of the financial quarter immediately following the one in which the incentive payment was earned. The potential supplements/incentives are as follows:

- COACH will receive a salary supplement of $2,313 per month on an as funds available basis, retroactive to the date reflected in Section 2 (Term) of this contract.

- COACH will receive use of a vehicle from a dealership for personal and business use as arranged by the Demons Unlimited Foundation and if such vehicle is not secured for coach, a monthly salary supplement of $500 will be provided on an as funds available basis retroactive to the date reflected in Section 2 (Term) of this contract.

- COACH will receive use of a cell phone, including data and texting plan, with an approximate annual value of $1,000.

- COACH will receive an annual $2,000 stipend for participating in pre- and post-game radio interviews on an as funds available basis.

- COACH will receive $2,000 for promotional appearances in the event her team wins the regular season conference championship or if her team is selected to play in the NCAA or NIT Tournament.

- COACH will receive additional payments for marketing, promotional and fundraising opportunities that result from the advancement of the women’s basketball team in NCAA Tournament/NIT competition as follows. All additional payments are cumulative:
  - Coach will receive $5,000 for each round her NSU team wins in the NCAA Tournament/NIT;
  - Coach will receive $7,500 should her team advance to the “Sweet 16” in either the NCAA Tournament/NIT, or the semi-finals/finals of another postseason tournament;
  - COACH will receive $10,000 for each round her team wins beyond the round of “Sweet 16” in either the NCAA Tournament/NIT; and
  - COACH will receive $25,000 for winning the NCAA Tournament/NIT.

- COACH shall receive $1,500 for promotional and/or appearances should she be selected as “Southland Conference or Louisiana Coach of the Year.”
• COACH is also eligible to receive a $1,000 marketing incentive payment for academic success as defined by University Athletic Department policy. This payment will be for use of the Coach’s name and likeness in Foundation material or literature promoting the academic achievements of the team.

7. OUTSIDE INCOME

The Coach shall be authorized to earn other revenue while employed by the University but such activities are independent of her University employment and the University shall have no responsibility for any claims arising therefrom. All outside income will be subject to approval in accordance with the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System policies.

Coach shall report annually in writing to the President through the Athletic Director on July 1st of each year all athletically related income received from sources outside the University. The University shall have reasonable access to all records of Coach to verify this report (NCAA Constitution Article 11.2.2).

Coach may earn income and revenue from outside sources while employed by University upon approval from President and in accord with Board policies. Coach shall report annually in writing to President through Director all athletically-related income and/or benefits she receives from sources outside of University, and Coach shall abide by all NCAA regulations regarding outside compensation. All outside compensation must also comply with the Louisiana Code of Govermental Ethics. Any outside compensation activities shall be considered independent of Coach’s University employment and University shall have no responsibility for any claims arising therefrom. Examples of outside income or benefits include, without limitation, income or benefits from (1) endorsement or consultation contracts with apparel companies, equipment manufacturers, or television or radio programs; (2) ownership, control, or management of a foundation, organization, or other entity; and (3) participation in athletic camps outside of those offered by University. (See NCAA Bylaw 11.2.2.)

8. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AND COMPLIANCE WITH NCAA AND CONFERENCE REGULATIONS

Coach shall abide by the rules and regulations of the NCAA, Conference and University rules. If Coach is personally found to be in violation of NCAA regulations, Coach shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the NCAA enforcement procedures (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1). Coach may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or employment of Coach may be terminated if Coach is found to be personally guilty of deliberate and serious violations of NCAA, Conference and University regulations (NCAA Constitution 11.2.1).

Coach shall also abide by the State of Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics, University Policy and Regulations, federal laws, other state laws and the policies and regulations of the University of Louisiana System. In public appearances she shall at all times conduct herself in a manner that befits a University official and shall always attempt to create goodwill and a good image for the University.

Coach agrees to provide her services consistent with the terms and conditions of this Contract, the laws of the United States of America, and any applicable state law including the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics; the policies, guidelines, and requirements of University and the Board; and the constitution, bylaws, rules, regulations, and interpretations of the NCAA and Conference. Coach shall not violate any civil law, including but not limited to Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq. and the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. § 12101, et seq., or criminal law of any state or federal government. Failure to comply with this
Section may result in suspension and/or termination of Coach’s employment as Head Women’s Basketball Coach, or termination of this Contract.

Pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 11.2.1, Coach understands that she has an affirmative obligation to cooperate fully in the infractions process, including the investigation and adjudication of a case (see NCAA Bylaw 19.2.3 for examples of full cooperation). Coach hereby stipulates that if she is found to be in violation of NCAA regulations, she shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the NCAA infractions process (see NCAA Bylaw 19), including suspension without pay, or in the event of a Level 1 or Level 2 violation, possible termination of employment.

9. TERMINATION

Termination Without Cause: Either party may terminate this agreement without just cause prior to the expiration of its terms by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. Prior to termination of COACH, the University will obtain approval from the President of the University of Louisiana System. If the University terminates the agreement without cause, the Coach shall be entitled to 75% of the base salary that she would have earned in the years remaining in the contract, less compensation received by the Coach from any other employment in an intercollegiate coaching position. The University would be responsible for the current fiscal year compensation, through the end of the fiscal year (June 30th). The Demons Unlimited Foundation would be responsible for the remaining months in the agreement (the next May 1 through expiration). In the event Coach Nimz terminates the Contract without cause, Coach Nimz would be liable to the University for liquidated damages in the following manner:

- If after April 20, 2020 but before May 1, 2021 – Forty Thousand ($40,000) Dollars
- If after April 30, 2021 but before May 1, 2022 – Thirty Thousand ($30,000) Dollars
- If after April 30, 2022 but before May 1, 2023 – Twenty Thousand ($20,000) Dollars

The liquidated damages by either party shall be due and payable in a lump sum within sixty (60) days of Coach’s final date of employment at Northwestern State University.

Failure to make reasonable efforts to secure employment shall be cause for termination of this agreement, and release of the University and Demons Unlimited Foundation of any obligations to make further payments.

Termination For Cause: Should Coach’s contract be terminated for just cause, the University and the Demons Unlimited Foundation shall not be liable for any payments or benefits specified in this agreement past the effective date of termination. Just cause for termination shall include, but not be limited to, violation or gross disregard of state or federal laws, NCAA or conference regulations or university policies or procedures.

Coach may be terminated by the University for Cause at any time for the following:

- Misconduct, including but not limited to: hostile workplace violations, documented acts of moral turpitude, acts of violence and aggression, and insubordination.
- Misconduct that: (1) violates state or university ethics laws, rules or regulations; (2) offends the ethics or traditions of the university; or (3) brings discredit or harm to the reputation of the university.
- Acts of violence or personal conduct, or condoning or encouraging employees or student athletes in such conduct, which may not warrant criminal prosecution, but result in public disrepute, contempt, scandal or ridicule that reflects unfavorably upon the reputation or mission of the university.
- Substantial and manifest incompetence.
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- Gross violation or disregard of state or federal laws (excluding minor traffic offenses or non-criminal offenses).
- Deliberate and serious violations of NCAA, conference, or UNIVERSITY rules, regulations, policies or procedures.
- Failure to promote an atmosphere of compliance pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 11.1.2.1.
- Unethical conduct pursuant to NCAA 10.1 or the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics.

The judgment as to whether the conduct of the Coach constitutes cause under this provision shall not be exercised arbitrarily or capriciously by the University.

**Termination for Financial Exigency:** Coach may be terminated at any time due to the financial circumstances in which the University and/or the University of Louisiana System has declaration of financial exigency. Such a termination can be based on consideration of budgetary restrictions, and priorities for maintenance of program and services. In the event of such termination, COACH will receive six (6) months’ notice of termination or six (6) months regular pay in lieu of such notice. All compensation, including salary, benefits, and other remuneration incidental to employment, including supplements paid by the Demons Unlimited Foundation, cease upon termination.

10. **ASSOCIATE/ASSISTANT COACHES**

The Coach shall have the authority to select the associate and assistant coaches with consent of the Athletic Director, President and approval of the Board of Supervisors. Associate and assistant coaches shall be appointed as University unclassified employees.

11. **UNIVERSITY FUNDRAISING**

All fundraising activities by COACH must be pre-approved by the Athletic Director, or her designee, to ensure that such activities are in compliance with University policies.

12. **AMENDMENT Extension**

This Contract may be amended and/or extended by the mutual consent of the parties, expressed in writing, and approved by the Board.

13. **SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, either in whole or in part, this Agreement shall be deemed amended to delete or modify, as necessary, the offending provision or to alter the bounds thereof in order to render it valid and enforceable.

14. **FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party shall be considered in default performance of her or its obligations under this Agreement if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. "Force Majeure" shall be understood to be any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the party affected and which is forthwith, by notice from the party affected, brought to the attention of the other party, including but not limited to war, hostilities, revolution, civil commotion, strike, lockout, epidemic, accident, fire, wind or flood or any requirements of law, or an act of God.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this act in the presence of the undersigned competent witnesses.

WITNESSES:

By

NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

BY

ANNA NIMZ, Head Coach

BY

GREGORY S. BURKE, Director of Athletics

BY

KENNY KNOTTS, President
Demons Unlimited Foundation

BY

DR. CHRIS MAGGIO, President
Northwestern State University

BY

DR. JAMES HENDERSON, President
University of Louisiana Board of Supervisors