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October 26, 2022

Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation
c/o Kenneth Crawford
1308 Castle Creek
Shawnee, OK 74801

Dear Board Members of the Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation:

Let me start by saying, on behalf of the Seminole State College Educational Foundation, congratulations on seeing the dream come true. It was a wonderful day last Thursday, October 20th, to see all of the supporters and community members come together to celebrate the grand opening of the Brian Crawford Memorial Sports Complex. It has hard to believe this started over five years ago with your initial pledge of \$500,000 to get this project started.

The attached "Memorandum of Agreement" was entered into on June 1, 2017, when we all envisioned a much smaller project. As you know, it has grown exponentially over the last few years to include multiple fields and facilities. The once anticipated cost grew from several million dollars to over \$12 million.

The terms of the original memorandum were not met as planned due to several circumstances- primarily the change from the original plan of a quadraplex to a complex with five baseball fields, an adaptive field for handicapped individuals, and a soccer field. In addition, COVID and the resulting supply chain issues plus increased costs contributed to this project taking longer than originally planned.

As stated in the Memorandum, your Foundation pledged a donation packaged in excess of \$500,000 with an initial gift of \$300,000 to the Seminole State College Educational Foundation. A gift of \$50,000 was to be paid upon substantial completion of the project and subsequent gifts of \$30,000 per year for five years beginning on October 1, 2019 and each October 1 through 2023. While none of those subsequent donations were made, money was raised and paid to the SSC Educational Foundation for a statue of Brian to be placed at the complex at a cost of \$51,154. Giving you credit for that statue contribution leaves a balance of \$148,855 left on that original pledge of \$500,000.

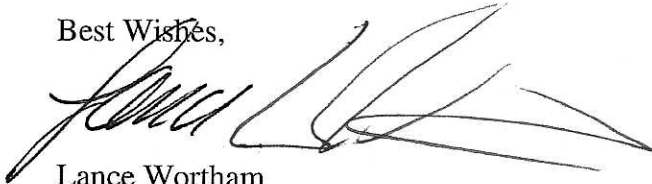
On behalf of the Seminole State College Educational Foundation, its Board of Trustees and the Foundation's Executive Committee, I would like to respectfully request that the Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation complete its pledge of \$500,000 towards this complex with a final payment of the \$148,855 balance remaining.

Your Generosity Can Change Lives!

We know that verbiage in the Memorandum indicates that after \$1,000,000 was raised for the project your Foundation would have no further obligation for payments. I think that we can all agree that many things have changed since the signing of that Memorandum. Your Foundation's generous gift was a substantial percentage of the original total project costs of approximately \$2 million. That was a critical factor in the awarding of the naming rights for the facility. Bearing in mind the \$351,154 given by your Foundation to-date is now a much smaller percentage of a total project that cost close to \$12 million, we are hopeful that you will consider paying the remaining amount of your pledge to the SSC Educational Foundation, despite the fact that over \$1 million in other donations was eventually raised. The SSC Educational Foundation itself incurred much more additional debt than originally planned in completing the Brian Crawford Memorial Sports Complex.

I would also respectfully request an opportunity for SSC Educational Foundation Vice Chair, Mark Schell, and I to attend a meeting of your Foundation's Board to further discuss this matter. Please contact me at (405) 323-1118 regarding a possible time that we can meet.

Best Wishes,

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Lance Wortham
Chair

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

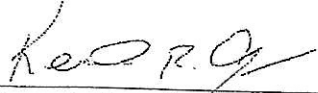
This agreement is entered into by and between **Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation** and the **Seminole State College Educational Foundation, Inc.** (SSC Foundation) on June 1, 2017. The agreement is based upon, and subject to, the closure and final sale of 25-35 acres of land, more or less for placement of a baseball quadraplex. Should such land not be acquired or closed within 120 days of the date of this agreement, this agreement shall be void and all monies paid under this agreement returned unless mutually agreed upon in writing by both parties.

It is mutually agreed that in consideration of a donation package in excess of \$500,000, including the following:

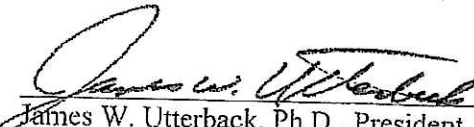
- An initial gift of \$300,000 to the Seminole State College Educational Foundation, Inc.;
- a gift of \$50,000 to be paid upon substantial completion of the quadraplex as determined by the architect and builder;
- and, subsequent gifts of \$30,000 per year for five years beginning on October 1, 2019 and each October 1 through 2023.

The new quadraplex being planned to be built on land adjacent to the campus of Seminole State College which is currently being negotiated for purchase will be named the **"Brian Crawford Memorial Baseball Complex."** This name will not be changed without the expressed written consent of the Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation or their designee.

It is agreed that Kenneth Crawford and one other member of the Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation Board of Trustees will become voting members of the SSC Foundation Baseball Complex Planning and Fundraising Committee. It is further agreed and understood that the Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation does not currently possess the funds to make the payments outlined above for subsequent years. Both parties to this agreement will participate in good faith in fundraising for the commitments made herein. It is further agreed that once the total funds raised for the project through donations to the SSC Foundation reaches \$1,000,000, all obligations for further payments from the Brian Crawford Memorial Foundation will be waived by the SSC Foundation.


Kenneth Crawford


Jeremy Rich, Chair
Seminole State College Foundation, Inc.


James W. Utterback, Ph.D., President
Seminole State College