

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

The South Dakota Board of Regents invites nominations and applications for the position of Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the South Dakota Board of Regents, following the retirement of Dr. Tad Perry, one of the nation's longest serving chief executive officers in public higher education. The Regents seek an strategic leader with vision who can advance higher education policy and practice, maintain effective relationships for and within the public university system and continue to position South Dakota's system of higher education to achieve at the highest levels.

As a single governing body, the South Dakota Board of Regents oversees a unified system of public higher education. Six universities, including Black Hills State University, Dakota State University, Northern State University, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, South Dakota State University and the University of South Dakota, and two schools, the South Dakota School for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired and the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, form the Regental system which serves over 33,000 students, employs 5,600 individuals and has a yearly budget of \$700 million. The Board of Regents' staff offices are located in the South Dakota's capital, Pierre.

With a valuable experienced leadership base among regents, system staff and university presidents and school executives, there is now renewed opportunity to explore optimal directions for higher education in South Dakota. The Executive Director and CEO who utilizes imagination and creativity, exhibits nimbleness in thought and action, persuasively builds support within the body politic, and crafts incentives for transformational collaborations across the higher education system, will find the South Dakota Board of Regents system exciting to lead. The Board of Regents seeks an articulate, persuasive, technologically informed, politically astute Chief Executive Officer who takes the broader view, works deftly with change, can create a nimble higher education system, is a self starter, a master at working with the Governor and Legislature and who is deeply committed to the importance of higher education in shaping the future. A complete position profile may be found at <http://sdbor.edu> or <http://www.academic-search.com/search.html>.

The South Dakota Board of Regents will begin screening candidates immediately. Candidates should forward a letter of interest, curriculum vitae and a list of at least five references with full contact information to: SDBORsearch@sdbor.edu by April 7, 2009.

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