

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Policy Manual

SUBJECT: Athletics

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Subject to the requirements of state and federal law and Board policy, institutions which participate in intercollegiate athletic competition shall abide by the rules and regulations promulgated by the appropriate national governing association and all regional subdivisions or conferences of which the institutions are members.

1. Institutions must have approval of the Board before changing athletic conferences or divisions.
2. All costs for intercollegiate athletics shall be met from the following fund sources:
 - A. Student general activity fee revenue;
 - B. State general fund resources;
 - C. Funds generated directly by athletic programs, including, without limitation, gate receipts, guarantees, concessions, advertising, institutional fundraising, product endorsements, broadcast licenses, athletic mark royalties;
 - D. Commissions and other business related income;
 - E. Funds transferred from the institutional foundation to support athletic programs;
 - F. Institutional overhead charged back to campus operations.
3. New or expanded athletic facilities funded with private dollars must be self-supporting and fund their own maintenance and operations expenses.
4. Athletic scholarships may be funded from athletic gate receipts, athletic sponsorships and advertising revenues, athletic facility rentals, athletic guarantees, net athletic concession revenues, athletic broadcasting agreements, vending, commissions and other business related income, trademark royalties, net athletic camp income and athletic donations.
5. Athletic scholarships may not be funded by reducing, either the number of academic scholarships or amounts, or the inflation adjusted gross sum provided by the institution's foundation for academic scholarships, below the levels in effect at the time an institution changes divisions or conferences.
6. Athletic scholarships will not be awarded to any student who does not meet the standard admission requirements of the institution—scholarships may not be awarded to a student admitted by the institution under an exception policy.

7. Institutions will provide annually to the Board of Regents information on their athletic programs that will include:
 - A. Comparisons by sports of participating athletes, scholarship athletes, and the student population on admissions by exception, ACT sub-test scores in math and English for entering students, proficiency exam passage on initial attempt, GPA, and graduation rates.
 - B. At the end of each fiscal year an income and expense statement for athletics shall be provided to the Executive Director.

**SOURCE: BOR, April 1992; December 2002; June 2004, March 2006;
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