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Lawmakers Host Board of Regents in Rapid City

RAPID CITY, S.D. – A town meeting on South Dakota public higher education is being hosted Thursday, Nov. 10, by legislators from districts 32, 33, 34, and 35 in Rapid City.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 7 p.m. (MST) in the Surbeck Center Bump Room on the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology campus in Rapid City. Representatives of the South Dakota Board of Regents, its staff, and public university presidents will be on hand to visit with area residents.

Across South Dakota, demographic shifts are occurring which mean fewer traditional college-age students in the future, along with more non-traditional students and a significant increase in South Dakota's older populations. How the state's public university system responds to these changes, as well as the demands of a global economy, will be critical.

Area legislators, who jointly extended the invitation to the regents to meet with constituents from districts 32, 33, 34, and 35 in Rapid City, said the ideas exchanged at this type of public forum meeting will help South Dakota's public higher education system better plan for the future.