

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL REFERENCE DOCUMENT**  
**South Dakota Board of Regents Meeting**  
**May 9-11, 2017**  
**Brookings, South Dakota**  
*(Revised 5/15/2017)*

**ACTION REFERENCE SUMMARY**

The South Dakota Board of Regents met on [May 9-11, 2017](#) at South Dakota State University in Brookings, South Dakota. Below is a brief summary of the actions taken by the Board concerning items brought forward by the System Academic Affairs Office and the Academic Affairs Council. This document does NOT in any way take the place of the official BOR meeting minutes. Should any of the information presented in this document conflict with what is presented in the official minutes, the official minutes will be the prevalent document. Once they become available, the full official minutes of the BOR meeting are posted to the SDBOR website at the link below.

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**REGENTS' WORKSHOP**

**1-B Student Recruitment and Success**

Action: None – Informational only

**CONSENT – ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Action: Items 4-A through 4-B(3), 4-D through 4-G, and 4-I were all approved as presented. Items 4-C and 4-H were moved to Section 6 of the agenda for discussion.

- 4-A Graduation Lists
- 4-B(1) Agreements on Academic Cooperation – NSU
- 4-B(2) Agreements on Academic Cooperation – SD Mines
- 4-B(3) Agreements on Academic Cooperation – SDSU
- ~~4-C Articulation Agreement – DSU & NCS-NSA~~ *(moved to section 6 of the agenda)*
- 4-D Memorandum of Understanding – NSU & Roncalli High School
- 4-E Inactive Status and Program Termination Requests – BHSU, SDSU & USD
- 4-F Naming Request – SDSU

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- 4-G New Certificate Request – SDSU – Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Certificate (Undergrad)
- ~~4-H SDSBVI Membership in South Dakota High School Activities Association~~ (moved to Section 6 of the agenda)
- 4-I Academic Calendar – Special Schools

## **PLANNING AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

### **5-D Report and Actions of Executive Session**

The Board approved the following academic related matters discussed in executive session:

- Award the 2017-2018 Annis Irene Fowler/Kaden Scholarship to Morgan Hoffman and Angela Hupf; award the 2017-2018 Ardell Bjugstad Scholarship to Chloe Bartels and Emily Knutson; and award the 2017-18 Marlin R. Scarborough Memorial Scholarship to Joel Pribyl.
- Approve the promotion and tenure requests of the universities:

The BHSU promotion and tenure requests were approved for the following faculty members: Eric Clapman was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Nathan Deichert was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Martin Fashbaugh was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Coutney Huse-Wika was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Katrina Jensen was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; and Faye LaDuke-Pelster was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor.

The DSU promotion and tenure requests were approved for the following faculty members: Yen-Ling Chang was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Mary Francis was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Daniel Mortenson was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Christopher Olson was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Deb Tech was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; and Yong Wang was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor.

The NSU promotion and tenure requests were approved for the following faculty members: Joshua Frachisuer was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Gregory Francom was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Sara Schmidt was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Wendy Van Gent was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Courtney Waid-Lindberg was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Sara Christensen-Blair was promoted to Professor; and Kelly Duncan was promoted to Professor.

The SD Mines promotion and tenure requests were approved for the following faculty members: Matthew Adkins was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Kyle Caudle was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Grant Crawford was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Adam French was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Venkataramana Gadhamshetty was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Kurt Katzenstein was granted tenure and promoted to

Associate Professor; Mengyu Qiao was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Khosro Shahbazi was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Alevtina Smirnova was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Scott Ahrenkiel was promoted to Professor; William Cross was promoted to Professor; and Donna Kliche was granted tenure.

The SDSU promotion and tenure requests were approved for the following faculty members: Linda Burdette was granted tenure; Heidi Mennenga was granted tenure; Cedric Neumann was granted tenure; Christine Garst-Santos was granted tenure; Bradley Bowser was granted tenure; Rebecca Kuehl was granted tenure; Joshua Westwick was granted tenure; Charles Macbride was granted tenure; Donald Burger was granted tenure; Steven Wingate was granted tenure; Cheng Zhang was granted tenure; Jayarama Gunaje was granted tenure; Qiquan Qiao was promoted to Professor; Leda Cempellin was promoted to Professor; Julie Walker was promoted to Professor; Lan Xu was promoted to Professor; and Donald Auger was promoted to Professor.

The USD promotion and tenure requests were approved for the following faculty members: Christopher Jenks was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Matthew Sayre was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Kathryn Birkeland was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Kathleen Brown-Rice was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Nan Jiang was promoted to Professor; Dongming Mei was promoted to Professor; Michael Allgrunn was promoted to Professor; Christopher Kocher was promoted to Professor; Lee Baugh was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Soonhee Roh was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor; Manas Das was promoted to Associate Professor; Susan Anderson was promoted to Professor; Valerie Hearn was promoted to Professor; and Suzanne Reuter was promoted to Professor.

The promotion and tenure requests were denied for the following faculty members: BHSU 7 was denied promotion to Professor; NSU 8 was denied promotion to Professor; SDSMT 12 was denied promotion to Professor; SDSMT 14 was denied tenure; SDSU 12 was denied tenure; SDSU 18 was denied promotion to Professor; SDSU 19 was denied promotion to Professor; and SDSU 20 was denied promotion to Professor.

- Approve the leave request for Larry Stetler (SDSM&T) for a year-long sabbatical leave for either 1) the 2017-18 academic year, or 2) the calendar year 2018 (Spring 2018 & Fall 2018) contingent upon the funding of a Department of Energy (DoE) subcontract to SD Mines through RESPEC for a drilling project in western South Dakota.
- Award the title of Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering for Dr. Daniel F. Dolan (SDSM&T); title of Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering for Dr. Lidvin Kjerengtroen (SDSM&T); title of Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering for Dr. Michael A. Langerman (SDSM&T); and title of Professor Emerita of Humanities for Dr. Sue Shirley (SDSM&T); title of Professor Emeritus of Economics and President Emeritus of South Dakota State University for David L. Chicoine (SDSU); title of Professor Emeritus of Natural Resource Management for Charles Dieter (SDSU); title of Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Ecology for W. Carter Johnson (SDSU); and title of Professor Emeritus of Physics for Dr. Joel Rauber (SDSU).

- Award an exception to Emeritus Status years of service requirements and award the title of Associate Professor Emeritus at Northern State University for Dr. Gayle Bortnem.
- Award an exception to Emeritus Status years of service requirements and award the title of Associate Professor Emeritus at Northern State University for Dr. James Kennedy.
- Award an exception to Emeritus Status Rank requirements and award the title of Professor Emeritus at the University of South Dakota for Beverly J. Kennedy.
- Award an exception to Emeritus Status Rank requirements and award the title of Assistant Professor Emeritus at Black Hills State University for Jean Johnson.
- Award an exception to Emeritus Status Rank requirements and award the title of Assistant Professor Emeritus at Black Hills State University for Steve Wynia.
- Award an exception to Emeritus Status Rank requirements and award the title of Assistant Professor Emeritus at Black Hills State University for Jace DeCory.
- Approve the requests for a one (1) year extension of time for tenure consideration for Dr. Ekaterina Koromyslova (SDSU).
- Approve awarding one (1) year of prior service credit toward tenure and one (1) year of prior service credit toward promotion for Sandeep Kuma, Assistant Professor (SDSU).
- Approve the request to grant tenure to Dr. Scott McKay (DSU), Dr. Allison Gilmore (SDSM&T), Dr. David Palmer (SDSU), and Dr. David Earnest (USD).
- Approve the request to grant tenure to Dr. Magesh Thiyagarajan (SDSM&T) and the appointment at the rank of Full Professor.
- Approve the request to appoint Dr. Joseph Bottum (DSU) at the rank of Associate Professor.
- Deny SDSU NFE Appeal No. 2017-01.

### **5-E Report of the Executive Director**

Action: None – Informational item only

## **ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

### **6-A Student Federation Report**

Action: None – Informational only

### **6-B Institutional Items of Information**

Action: None – Informational item only

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**6-C BOR Policies 2:7 and 2:26 Revisions – Gen Ed Credit Distribution (Second Reading)**

Action: The second and final reading of the revisions to Policies 2:7 and 2:26 were approved as presented and will go into effect immediately.

**6-D BOR Policy 4:10 Revisions – Tenure on Appointment (First Reading)**

Action: The first reading of the revisions to Policy 4:10 was approved as presented. This policy will be brought back to the June BOR meeting for a second reading.

**6-E BOR Policy 1:7:2 Revisions – Academic Affairs Council (First Reading)**

Action: The first reading of the revisions to Policy 1:7:2 was approved as presented. This policy will be brought back to the June BOR meeting for a second reading.

**6-F(1) New Program Requests – NSU – AA in Criminal Justice**

Action: Approved as presented

**6-F(2) New Program Requests – NSU – Minor in Human Resource Management**

Action: Approved as presented

**6-F(3) New Program Requests – SDSU – Minor in Applied Statistics**

Action: Approved as presented

**6-F(4) New Program Requests – SDSU – MS in Human Biology**

Action: Approved as presented

**6-G(1) Intent to Plan Requests – BHSU – Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in English**

Action: Approved as presented (*NOTE: Reference “Conditions for Approval” section of the agenda item which denotes associated contingencies*)

**6-G(2) Intent to Plan Requests – BHSU – Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in Mathematics**

Action: Approved as presented (*NOTE: Reference “Conditions for Approval” section of the agenda item which denotes associated contingencies*)

**6-G(3) Intent to Plan Requests – NSU – MS in Mathematics for Teachers**

Action: Approved as presented (*NOTE: Reference “Conditions for Approval” section of the agenda item which denotes associated contingencies*)

**6-G(4) Intent to Plan Requests – USD – PhD in Sustainability**

Action: Approved as presented (*NOTE: Reference “Conditions for Approval” section of the agenda item which denotes associated contingencies*)

**6-G(5) Intent to Plan Requests – USD – Bachelor of Applied Science in Technical Leadership**

Action: Approved as presented (*NOTE: Reference “Conditions for Approval” section of the agenda item which denotes associated contingencies*)

**6-H FAFSA Completion Initiative**

Action: None – Informational item only

**6-I Wokini Initiative**

Action: None – Informational item only

**CONSENT ITEMS MOVED TO FULL DISCUSSION**

**6-J (originally 4-C) Articulation Agreement – DSU & NCS-NSA**

Action: Approved as presented

**6-K (originally 4-H) SDSBVI Membership in South Dakota High School Activities Association**

Action: Approved as presented