

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL REFERENCE DOCUMENT**  
**South Dakota Board of Regents Meeting**  
**August 8-10, 2017**  
**Pierre, South Dakota**

**ACTION REFERENCE SUMMARY**

The South Dakota Board of Regents met on [August 8-10, 2017](#) at River Rock Lodge in Pierre, 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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**CONSENT – ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Action: Items 4-A(1) through 4-F were all approved as presented.

- 4-A(1) New Specialization Request – SDSM&T – Geology and Geological Engineering
- 4-A(2) New Specialization Request – USD – Medical Product Development and Manufacturing
- 4-B(1) New Certificate Request – NSU – Chinese (Undergrad)
- 4-B(2) New Certificate Request – USD – Spanish Translation (Graduate)
- 4-C Agreement on Academic Cooperation – SDSM&T
- 4-D(1) Articulation Agreements – South Dakota State University
- 4-D(2) Articulation Agreements – University of South Dakota
- 4-D Request to Seek Accreditation – DSU
- 4-E Graduation Lists

**PLANNING AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

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

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

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- Approve awarding one (1) year of prior service credit toward tenure and one (1) year of prior service credit toward promotion for Brian Bengs, Assistant Professor (NSU); and awarding two (2) years of prior service credit toward tenure and two (2) years of prior service credit toward promotion for Joseph Tinguely, Assistant Professor (USD).
- Award the title of Professor Emeritus of Biology for Dr. R. Neil Reese (SDSU).

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

Action: None – Informational item only

#### **5-G New Vision, Mission, and Values Statements for University Center-Sioux Falls (JP)**

Action: Approved as presented

### **ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

#### **6-A Revisions to BOR Policy 4:10 – Tenure on Appointment (Second Reading)**

Action: Approved as presented

#### **6-B Revisions to BOR Policy 1:7:2 – Academic Affairs Council (Second Reading)**

Action: Approved as presented

#### **6-C Revisions to BOR Policy 4:11 – Rank and Promotion (Second Reading)**

Action: Approved as presented

#### **6-D Revisions to BOR Policy 4:43 – Emeritus Status (Second Reading)**

Action: Approved as presented

#### **6-E Revisions to BOR Policy 2:3 – Admissions (Second Reading)**

Action: Approved as presented

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**6-F USD Programs Approved for WICHE Graduate Exchange Program**

Action: None – Informational item only

**6-G 2017 Credits to Degree Report**

Action: None – Informational item only

**6-H Teacher Education Report 2016**

Action: None – Informational item only

**6-I Institutional Items of Information**

Action: None – Informational item only