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State Administrators Appointed to Higher Ed Accountability Project

PIERRE, S.D. – Two administrators from South Dakota’s public higher education system have been selected to develop recommendations for a national voluntary system of accountability. The project will identify ways that public higher education can become more accountable to the public for learning outcomes and provide additional information to students and parents during the college selection process.

The project is a partnership between the American Association of State Colleges and Universities and the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges.

Robert T. Tad Perry, executive director of the South Dakota Board of Regents, will serve on the Presidential Advisory Committee, which will provide guidance to the project’s task forces and technical work groups and make recommendations on the overall development of a system. “In the coming year, there will be 78 higher education administrators from across the country working together to develop a system of accountability that could be adopted at any public college or university,” Perry said.

Marysz Rames, vice president for student affairs at South Dakota State University, will serve on the Technical Work Group on Student Growth Outcomes, which is tasked with developing a list of student growth indicators that institutions should assess and demonstrate the value added.

The accountability project is made possible by a \$267,900 grant from the Lumina Foundation for Education.