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## **District 31 Lawmakers Host Board of Regents at Spearfish**

SPEARFISH, S.D. – A town meeting on South Dakota public higher education is being hosted Tuesday, Oct. 16, in Spearfish by District 31 lawmakers.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Hudson Street Hall (room C), located at 222 West Hudson St. in Spearfish. Representatives of the South Dakota Board of Regents, its staff, and public university presidents will be on hand to visit with area residents. The public is invited to attend.

“In today’s world, businesses develop where there is a highly-educated and talented workforce,” said Regents President Harvey C. Jewett. “To be competitive in a global economy, South Dakota’s higher education system must respond to this ever-changing work environment. Through the continual re-evaluation of what we deliver at the public universities, and by developing new programs to meet new needs, the regents are able to quickly respond to these challenges.”

Sen. Jerry Apa, Rep. Tom Hills, and Rep. Charles Turbiville, who extended the invitation to the regents to meet in Spearfish, said the ideas exchanged at this meeting will help South Dakota’s public higher education system better plan for the future.