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Gov. Rounds Appoints Student Regent

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Mike Rounds has appointed Melanie J. Satchell of Rapid City to the South Dakota Board of Regents. She will serve as the student regent and will be a formal member of the board.

“Melanie attends South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (SDSM&T), where she will be a senior. She has been involved with campus leadership, having just completed a year as the Student Association President and serving on the SDSM&T Presidential Search Committee. She also has been an active advocate for SDSM&T, serving as a Student Ambassador, testifying before the legislature, and appearing before the Board of Regents,” said Gov. Rounds.

“I am very honored to have been chosen to serve students around the state as the next student regent. I look forward to working with the Board of Regents and the state universities to continue providing quality education and enhance the student experience,” said Melanie Satchell.

Satchell will begin her term on July 1, 2008. She replaces Tonnis Venhuizen who recently graduated from law school.

