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Constituent Panel to Participate in Executive Search

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Board of Regents has appointed a constituent panel to assist the board in reviewing candidates for the regents’ executive director and chief executive officer position.

“This panel reflects constituent groups who work within and closely with the public university system,” said Board President Randy Schaefer. “We are grateful for the service these individuals are willing to give to the regents during this process.”

Accepting appointment to the constituent panel are the following:

- **Faculty Members**—Courtney Huse-Wika, BHSU; Bill Figg, DSU; and Erin Fouberg, NSU.
- **Student Members**—Chase Vogel, BHSU; Caleb Finck, SDSU; and Jess Peterson, USD.
- **Institutional Executives**—SDSU President David Chicoine; SDSM&T President Heather Wilson; and Marje Kaiser, superintendent of the South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the South Dakota School for the Deaf.
- **Institutional Administrators**—Jim Moran, provost and vice president for academic affairs at USD; Kim Wadsworth, director of outreach at South Dakota School for the Deaf; and Alan LaFave, dean of the NSU School of Fine Arts.
- **Foundations and Alumni**—Kim Tyler, SDSU; Miles Beacom, DSU; and Loren Brass, SDSM&T.
- **Board System Staff**—Janelle Toman, director of communications; Nathan Lukkes, assistant vice president for research and economic development; and Daniel Palmer, director of institutional research.
- **State Legislature**—House Speaker Dean Wink; Senate President Pro Tempore Corey Brown; House Minority Leader Spencer Hawley; and Senate Minority Leader Billie Sutton.
- **Office of the Governor**—Tony Venhuizen, chief of staff to Gov. Dennis Daugaard.

The Board of Regents is working with John Thornburgh, from the Witt/Kieffer executive search firm, to identify and review candidates. Schaefer said the search will be completed by early summer. The successful candidate will replace Jack R. Warner, who is retiring in June.