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Gov. Daugaard Appoints Joseph Schartz To Board Of Regents

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard announced today that he will appoint Joseph Schartz of Humboldt to the South Dakota Board of Regents.

Schartz will serve as the student member of the Board of Regents. He is entering his sophomore year at South Dakota State University, where he is pursuing a double major in journalism and agricultural business and a minor in political science.

“Joe Schartz is an impressive young man and he will be a great regent,” said Gov. Daugaard. “Joe will be an articulate and level-headed student voice and a thoughtful board member.”

Schartz is a Stephen F. Briggs Scholar. At SDSU, he is a Student Association Senator, representing the College of Arts and Sciences. He is active in the Honors College Student Organization, the Concert Choir, the Fellowship of Catholic University Students, and the College Republicans. Schartz is also a member of the Journalism Student Advisory Board and the Honors Dean’s Student Advisory Council.

“I am grateful to Gov. Daugaard for providing me with this opportunity to serve South Dakota’s higher education students,” said Schartz. “I humbly accept the responsibility of serving as a student voice on the Board of Regents, and I look forward to working with its other members to build upon our state’s excellent university system.”

The South Dakota Board of Regents is the state governing board for the six state universities and two special schools. The student member is one of the board’s nine members and is a full voting member of the board.

Schartz will succeed Patrick Weber, who left the board last month following his graduation from the USD School of Law.