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## Black Hills State University Student Groups Honored

SPEARFISH, S.D. – Student organizations from Black Hills State University were recognized this week for their outstanding academic, community, and organizational work by the South Dakota Board of Regents.

Student groups honored with special awards were:

- **Award for Academic Excellence** – The **History Association** seeks to contribute to the quality of academic life on the Spearfish campus by hosting presentations in upper-level history classes on topics that would not otherwise be discussed in those courses. The group also holds field trips to explore and examine local areas through a historical perspective. Membership is open to all BHSU students, regardless of major.



Dr. Jack Warner, Executive Director, SDBOR; Laura Feldt, history education major from Spearfish (History Association president); Dean Krogman, President, SDBOR; Dr. Sasha Pursley, associate professor of history; Lucas Fralick, political science major from Gillette, Wyo. (History Association treasurer); Kelly Kirk, instructor of history; Dr. Kay Schallenkamp, BHSU President; Chase Vogel, BHSU Student Senate President

- **Community Service Award** – **Enactus** creates an environment where students from all academic fields learn how to work together as a team. Outreach to the community is an important component, as well as bringing together top leaders to create a more sustainable

world through the positive power of business. Enactus projects are designed to be educational, while improving quality of life.



Sarah Coomes, business administration–accounting major from Deadwood; Dr. Jack Warner, Executive Director, SDBOR; Rebecca Ellis, professional accountancy major from Spearfish; Dean Krogman, President, SDBOR; Michael Aga, business administration–management major from Sturgis; Anna Yanchek, exercise science major from Cheyenne, Wyo.; Justin Bachelor, biology major from White River; Ann Wilken, business administration–management major from Meadow; Dr. Kay Schallenkamp, BHSU President; Dr. Bobbi Looney, Enactus advisor and assistant professor of management; Chase Vogel, BHSU Student Senate President

- **Award for Organizational Leadership** – The **Yellow Jacket Rodeo Team** seeks competitive success in the rodeo arena, while improving the Spearfish community. The rodeo team qualified six team members for the prestigious College National Finals Rodeo, with one member bringing home a national championship. The team donates time to clean road ditches, raise funds for the Northern Hills Food Bank, and help coach and lead a rodeo camp for young athletes in the area.



Dr. Jack Warner, Executive Director, SDBOR; Sam Olson, business administration–entrepreneurship major from Buffalo (Rodeo Team captain); Glen Lammers, rodeo coach; Dean Krogman, President, SDBOR; Dr. Kay Schallenkamp, BHSU President; Chase Vogel, BHSU Student Senate President