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## **Board Honors Departing Presidents and Student Regent**

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Board of Regents has honored two departing university presidents and a student regent for their service to the state’s system of public higher education.

Regent Joseph Schartz, a native of Humboldt, leaves the Board of Regents after three years of service. Schartz graduated this month from South Dakota State University with bachelor’s degrees in journalism and agricultural business. He has been accepted at Georgetown University this fall to pursue graduate studies in public policy.

President David L. Chicoine of South Dakota State University was recognized for more than nine years of service as SDSU’s president. He leaves the presidency at Brookings May 22. He will continue to share his expertise as a policy economist in state and local public finance and regional economics as a faculty member in the SDSU Department of Economics.

President James M. Smith of Northern State University was honored for his seven years of service as NSU’s president. Smith is leaving Aberdeen to become president of Eastern Michigan University on July 1.

Pictured (from left) are President David L. Chicoine, Regent Joseph Schartz, and President James M. Smith.



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