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Dakota State University Student Groups Earn Recognition

MADISON, S.D. – The South Dakota Board of Regents this week honored student organizations from Dakota State University for their academic, community, and organizational achievements.

DSU student groups given special awards were:

- **Award for Academic Excellence – Phi Beta Lambda (PBL)** creates a positive working relationship between business and education through innovative leadership and career development programs. Members focus on leadership skills, team building, networking, project management, business organization, and academic integrity skills. The organization works with students to develop their business skills, create a professional resume, and network with business leaders in the community and beyond.



Lynette Molstad Gorder, Co-Advisor for DSU PBL Business Club; Thomas Lange (Bridgewater, SD); Kelly Brusven (Pierre, SD); and Casey Bethke (Pierre, SD); José-Marie Griffiths, DSU President; Mike Rush, BOR Executive Director; and Randy Schaefer, BOR President.

- **Community Service Award** – Members of the **Photography Club** dedicate their passion and interest in photography to community and campus events. The club has supported many events and organizations, including the DSU homecoming dance, Lake County 4-H grounds in Madison, the community haunted house, and the Madison Arts Council.



Randy Schaefer, BOR President; Tom Jones, Advisor of the DSU Photography Club; Lindsey Pate (Canton, SD); José-Marie Griffiths, DSU President; and Mike Rush, BOR Executive Director.

- **Award for Organizational Leadership** – The **Gaming Club** provides entertainment and promotes fellowship among DSU students, while providing a place for students, faculty, and non-student gamers to teach or play games such as collectable card games, role-playing games, and board games. A lifetime membership is available to students who graduate as an active member of the Gaming Club, with lifetime access to sales and events hosted by the club.



Randy Schaefer, BOR President; Mandy Parpart, DSU Director of Student Activities; José-Marie Griffiths, DSU President; and Mike Rush, BOR Executive Director.