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Resolution 21-2: South Dakota Student Federation Supports the Implementation of a Pilot Program to Explore Best Practice Utilization of Open Educational Resources (OER)

Introduced by: Directors Schoon and Shane

Action: Approved 10-0-0

WHEREAS: The cost of attendance at institutions of higher education is already difficult for most students to manage and tuition at BOR Institutions is expected to rise in the upcoming years;

WHEREAS: This rise in tuition is almost inevitable, however, other costs of attendance can be mitigated through innovative programs;

WHEREAS: Open Educational Resources (OER) are teaching, learning and research materials in any medium – digital or otherwise – that reside in the public domain or have been released under an open license that permits no-cost access, use, adaptation and redistribution by others with no or limited restrictions;

WHEREAS: The use of OER could be one of those programs to help mitigate the rise of costs of attendance without cutting salaries or other programs here at BOR institutions;

WHEREAS: OER options are not only beneficial to students financially, but also environmentally and in regard to accessibility; so

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the South Dakota Student Federation encourages their respective Offices of Academic Affairs to implement a pilot program to explore best practice utilization and expansion of Open Educational Resources (OER) in South Dakota.

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