

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Budget and Finance**

**AGENDA ITEM: 7 – I**

**DATE: December 6-8, 2016**

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**SUBJECT: Child of Alumni Update**

At the April 2015 BOR meeting, the Board approved giving resident tuition to undergraduate children of alumni students attending the same school from which their parent or guardian graduated. The campuses were allowed to restrict the program beyond being a child of an alumni and all schools but USD chose to do that.

The initial qualifications, retention and eligibility period requested by the universities follows:

**BHSU/DSU/NSU**

- ACT composite score of at least 20
- To retain the award, the student must complete no less than 30 semester credit hours within an academic year and maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA.

**SDSM&T**

**Initial Eligibility:**

- If a first-year full-time student, has a minimum 20 ACT Composite or comparable SAT Composite.
- If a transfer student, has a 2.5 cumulative GPA for credits transferred.

**Resident Tuition Retention Criteria** (failure to meet the retention criteria will cause the recipient to be ineligible to receive resident undergraduate tuition and fees):

- Recipients must complete a minimum of 30 South Dakota State University credits per academic year with a GPA of 2.75 or greater.

**Years of Eligibility:**

- Resident tuition can be retained for up to four academic years (eight semesters) for first-year students and for transfer students for the difference between four years and the years of credit transferred (i.e. if 60 hours transferred in, resident rate can be retained for two academic years (4 less 2 = 2), excluding approved education absences, such as co-ops, study abroad, and other approved absences.

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USD

USD offers the in-state tuition to any new undergraduate non-resident students admitted under current admission standards whose parent graduated from USD. Students are eligible for the rate as long as they are enrolled at the university.

**Fall 2016 Enrollments**

The following table shows the numbers of students coded as Child of Alum for the fall 2015 and 2016 semester. Of the 259 in fall 2016, 136 are new and 123 are returning students. There is no way to know if these students would have come to us without offering the special rate.

		Fall 2015 # of Students	Fall 2016 # of Students	Fall 2016 # of Credit Hours
<b>BHSU</b>		1	4	50
<b>DSU</b>		0	1	14
<b>NSU</b>		0	1	12
<b>SDSM&amp;T</b>		6	23	351
<b>SDSU</b>		71	146	2,150
<b>USD</b>		67	84	1,125
	<b>Total</b>	145	259	3,702