

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Planning and Resource Development

AGENDA ITEM: 5 – B

DATE: October 4-6, 2016

SUBJECT: Student Organization Awards – NSU

NSU Award for Academic Excellence: NSU Honors Club

The NSU Honors Club is comprised of all members of the NSU Honors Program. It provides academically gifted and highly motivated students an opportunity to challenge themselves. In addition to hosting an annual Student-Faculty Quiz Bowl as well as a Junior Science Bowl for middle school students, the NSU Honors Club organizes, manages and hosts the NSU Common Read. In fall 2015, students in first year seminars read “Without You, There is No Us: My Time with the Sons of North Korea’s Elite” by Suki Kim. In November 2015, author Suki Kim visited NSU and spoke to about 400 members of the NSU Community and about 200 Aberdeen community members.

NSU Award for Community Service: Northern State Art Club

The mission of the Northern State University Art Club is to build a community in support of the arts through education and exploration. Members of the Art Club participated in many activities throughout the year, including making and selling art for various fundraising efforts, leading art-making workshops for the NSU community, and assisting in events aimed at high school students and the broader community.

NSU Award for Organizational Leadership: AWAREWolves

The purpose of the AWAREWolves is to encourage students to live healthier lives through making low risk decisions. They work to educate students through residential hall activities as well as by setting an example of living a low risk life style. This year the group worked to promote The End Game, which is an effort to increase awareness about alcohol and drug consumption. Activities they conducted included making hall presentations, conducting a social norms survey, authoring Exponent articles, and hosting Mocktails events.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

The NSU Student Organization Awards will be presented at the meeting.