

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Academic and Student Affairs**

**AGENDA ITEM: 6 – B**

**DATE: August 10, 2017**

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**SUBJECT: Revisions to BOR Policy 1:7:2 – Academic Affairs Council (Second Reading)**

BOR Policy 1:7 simply identifies the councils and appointed committees. During the [November 2016](#) AAC meeting the council discussed reviews being undertaken by a number of the other councils to update the policy framework for councils' roles and responsibilities. The council identified a number of areas within BOR Policy 1:7:2 where emphasis could be added during the November discussion, and during AAC's April 2017 meeting additional updates/modifications were made for review. Members were supportive of the proposed revisions provided in Attachment I and recommend moving forward for approval. No additional changes have been made since the approval of the first reading at the May 2017 BOR meeting.

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**DRAFT MOTION 20170810\_6-B:** I move to approve the second and final reading of the proposed changes to BOR Policy 1:7:2 – Academic Affairs Council as presented.

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS****Policy Manual****SUBJECT:** Academic Affairs Council**NUMBER:** 1:7:2

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**A. PURPOSE**

To define the Academic Affairs Council.

**B. DEFINITIONS**

None

**C. POLICY**

1. The Academic Affairs Council shall consist of the Provost or ~~Academic~~ Vice President for Academic Affairs ~~s-at~~ each of the institutions of higher education under the Board's control. The Council shall be chaired by the Director-System Vice President of Academic Affairs as a non-voting member. The Academic Affairs Council shall, at the request of the Board, the Executive Director, or the Council of Presidents and Superintendents, review existing or proposed courses, programs, departments, degrees, colleges, academic calendars, or academic policies and make recommendations as appropriate to the Board through the Council of Presidents and Superintendents with due regard to the quality of higher education in the state, the avoidance of duplication, and the attainment of economy and efficiency.
2. The Academic Affairs Council ~~may~~ shall also be tasked with the formation of common guidelines for consistent oversight of the various academic programs and activities that occur within the Regental system. The council may also engage in ~~-~~study and review of academic programs, academic standards, transfer of courses, and other matters as may be referred to it by the Board, the Executive Director, the Council of Presidents and Superintendents, or that may come to its attention from other sources. The Council shall act as an advisory group to the Board, the Executive Director, and the institutional Presidents.

**FORMS/APPENDICES:**

None

**SOURCE:**

BOR 1968, Revised Apr. 1990, P. 519; BOR 1978; BOR August 2017.