

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Planning, Governance, and Resource Development**

**AGENDA ITEM: 7 – D (2)**  
**DATE: December 5-7, 2017**

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**SUBJECT**

**University Center – Sioux Falls Update**

**CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY**

[University Center-Sioux Falls Governance, Funding, and Operations MOU](#)

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

The Board of Regents approved a new governance, funding, and operations model for the University Center-Sioux Falls (UC-SF) at the [March-April 2016](#) meeting. The Board received updates on the progress of initiatives at UC-SF at the [August 2016](#), [March 2017](#), [June 2017](#), [August 2017](#), and [October 2017](#) Board meetings. The attached report has two components. These include an update on UC-SF plans to move the South Dakota State University (SDSU) Nursing program to the UC-SF space and an update on the UC-SF Community Steering Board.

The CFOs at the University of South Dakota (USD), Dakota State University (DSU) and South Dakota State University (SDSU), the Executive Director of UC-SF, and the System Vice President of Finance & Administration have met several times exploring options to relocate the SDSU Nursing Program from its current location in space at Southeast Technical Institute (STI) to the UC-SF. While SDSU Nursing is moving to UC-SF, the group is also recommending a formal study to inform related space utilization decisions.

The minutes of the [August 2017](#) BOR meeting include a passed motion to “modify the MOU to reflect [recommendation #2 under III.2 of the report](#) put forth by the Executive Director of the UC-SF offered in the related agenda item.” The referenced recommendation stated “Allow the new Community Steering Board to act in an advisory capacity to UC, without requiring representation from each university and the Regents or board office.” The attached report includes the proposed revision to the UC-SF Governing MOU. In addition, the Board requested updates on progress in implementing the Community Steering Board at the [August 2017](#) BOR meeting; the report includes an update on this progress.

**IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION**

Board staff recommend approval of attached revision to the UC-SF Governing MOU.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment I – University Center-Sioux Falls Update

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**DRAFT MOTION 20171205\_7-D(2):**

I move to approve the proposed revisions to the University Center-Sioux Falls Governing MOU as presented in Attachment I.

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**University Center-Sioux Falls Update**

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**I. UC PLAN FOR NURSING SPACE**

Craig Johnson and Monte Kramer have worked with the CFOs at USD, DSU and SDSU to explore options to relocate the SDSU nursing program from its current location in University Center space at Southeast Technical Institute (STI) to a new location at University Center-Sioux Falls (UC-SF).

The group has agreed to pursue a contract with an appropriate expert to conduct a study of the UC space and the various entities that are interested in space at the UC-SF site and/or in Sioux Falls. We are initially targeting Joe Bilotta to conduct this study since he has conducted a similar study of UC-SF in the past for SDSU nursing.

The study would include two locations in Sioux Falls, the UC-SF site and STI site, with consideration of the following scenarios and interests:

1. **University Center Space Study** (103,344 ASF) – A study of the programs offered at UC and the amount of space needed for UC program offerings, including consideration for growth of the new 2-year/“community college” programs being developed by university partners at UC-SF, and the potential needs for the Law School.
2. **UC at Southeast Tech Space Study** – Assess how this space might be re-used for other purposes, including but not limited to Law School needs and/or Regents Information Systems (RIS) operation.
3. **Nursing to UC-SF** – The space study will explore options to move SDSU Nursing program from its current site at STI to a new location at UC-SF, with two possible scenarios:
  - a. Option 1: Move SDSU Nursing to UC-SF and move the RIS offices to the current SDSU nursing space at STI. The proposed location for SDSU nursing is the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Science & Technology Building at UC-SF.
  - b. Option 2: Keep RIS at UC-SF and determine how to most effectively and efficiently fit SDSU nursing into the UC-SF site.

Both options above require an assessment of the amount of dedicated space needed for the SDSU nursing program versus the amount of space that can be shared with other needs at the UC-SF site.

We want to have a study completed by March 1 to allow time to present a proposal for space changes related to UC-SF at the March meeting of the Board of Regents.

## II. STATUS OF UC COMMUNITY STEERING BOARD

### 1. Community Steering Board Progress

At the August 2017 Board meeting, the Board approved a motion to modify the operating MOU to account for revisions to the community steering board at UC-SF. In addition, Regents asked for “a report of who is appointed to this committee and a periodic report of its meetings and related developments.”

Specific update on work to set up the new Community Steering Board (CSB):

- The Community Transition Team made up of participants from the UC planning effort has developed a draft of Board bylaws and a suggested roster of potential Board members.
- Their proposal was presented to and reviewed by President Abbott. He approved the bylaws and a target list of individuals was developed from the transition team’s proposed list to begin recruiting individuals to serve on the Board.
- Presidents and provosts at the 3 partner universities had been contacted for suggested Board members, with no suggestions received to date.
- Steve Watson at GOED office in SF was also contacted for feedback on the Board process and membership, and his input was included in the proposal to President Abbott.
- We anticipate the Board to have 10-14 members, depending on how many individuals agree to serve on the Board.
- The initial draft of the bylaws will be presented to the new Board at their first meeting for review and revision as needed.
- We anticipate quarterly meetings of the Board, with the first meeting in December if possible, or January if needed.

### 2. MOU Revisions

The proposed revisions to the MOU are as follows:

#### 2.2 Community Steering Board ~~Advisory Council~~:

USD will establish a **Community Steering Board** ~~UC-SF Advisory Council~~ consisting of appropriate representation from the Sioux Falls business and civic community, ~~partner universities, and the Executive Director of the Board of Regents (or his/her designee)~~. The **Community Steering Board** ~~Advisory Council~~ will ensure the community has direct and regular communication with the leadership of the UC-SF ~~and partner universities~~. USD, in consultation with partner universities, will determine the business and civic community membership of the **Community Steering Board** ~~Advisory Council~~ and consider recommendations received from the Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce, Sioux Falls Development Foundation, Forward Sioux Falls, local government, and/or other community constituencies as determined by USD. ~~Partner university presidents may select one representative for their institution.~~ The **UC-SF Executive Director** ~~President of USD and/or his designee~~ will chair the **Community Steering Board** ~~Advisory Council~~. The **Community Steering Board** ~~Advisory Council~~ will meet regularly with the UC-SF Executive Director to provide community input on strategic planning, higher education services at UC-SF, and other issues as determined by USD.