

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs

AGENDA ITEM: 8 – C
DATE: December 5-7, 2017

SUBJECT

Banner Student Update

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE OR POLICY

[BOR Policy 1:1](#) – General Authority, Powers, and Purpose of the Board ¹

[BOR Policy 1:7:6](#) – Technology and Telecommunications Council ²

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The Board of Regents has received initial updates on the Banner Student project during their August 2017 and October 2017 meeting, and similar updates will continue until the project is completed. Most recently an extensive overview of the projected timeline for the functional groups and the needs analysis activities were provided to the Academic Affairs Council and the Council of Presidents and Superintendent at their regularly scheduled meeting in November. A copy of that update can be found on the [Academic Affairs Website](#).

The project continues to move forward on schedule and within budget. Ellucian and the SDBOR staff have worked to secure resources (consultants, onsite locations, and remote locations) for all upcoming Ellucian events for calendar years 2018 and 2019. These events will include training on the student system, consulting for the design and configuration of the system, testing of the system, consulting for conversion of data (and data migration), and various technical sessions.

Campuses and the various functional teams are working together on numerous aspects of this project. Due to the complex organizational structure necessary to manage the project, a comprehensive communication strategy is required. This communication strategy includes face-to-face meetings, conference calls, email/written updates, collaboration through a system portal, monthly newsletter, status updates, reports from consultants and an intranet website. The goal for using these various mediums is to ensure that ongoing communication for the multiple stakeholders is possible throughout the duration of the

¹ Policy 1:1 outlines the constitutional authority the Board of Regents has to govern the University system. This governance includes full power, responsibility, and authority to supervise, coordinate, manage and regulate.

² Policy 1:7:6 outlines the goal to incorporate technology systems as outlined by the Board of Regents.

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project. This communication strategy has been deployed to keep stakeholders updated on work being completed which has included the following over the past few weeks:

- Completing the needs analysis;
- Working with the Ellucian on scheduling training, consulting sessions and testing sessions for 2018 and 2019;
- Reviewing initial planning for data migration;
- Reviewing initial go live plans;
- Working on initial reporting strategies;
- Upgrading various required information system versions; and
- Creating the testing environment for the Banner system.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This is an informational update only and no formal action is required by the Board of Regents at this time.

ATTACHMENTS

None