

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Budget and Finance

AGENDA ITEM: 7 – L
DATE: March 27-29, 2018

SUBJECT:

FY19 Special Schools Nonresident Tuition

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

[SDCL 13-53-6](#)

[BOR Policy 5:5 Tuition and Fees: General Procedures](#)

[BOR Policy 5:5:4 Tuition and Fees: Fees](#)

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Nonresident Tuition

The South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (SDSB&VI) annually reviews its instructional and residential costs to determine an appropriate tuition rate for nonresident students who may attend the school. The residential costs are based on annual food service, residential, and nursing costs for each resident student. The instructional costs are based on annual superintendent, principal, business office, instruction, library, and physical plant costs for all students.

The South Dakota School for the Deaf (SDSD) has only day students currently participating in the Harrisburg School District program. The contract expires at the end of the 2018 school year.

The current tuition rate at SDSB&VI is \$35,789 for instructional costs and \$14,466 for residential care. This rate is reflective of the current costs for these areas. An inflationary increase is applied.

Special Schools Tuition and Residential Rates

	FY18 Rate	\$ Increase	% Increase	Proposed FY19 Rate
Instructional	\$35,789.00	\$644.00	1.80%	\$36,433.00
Residence	<u>\$14,466.00</u>	<u>\$260.00</u>	1.80%	<u>\$14,726.00</u>
Total	\$50,255.00	\$904.00		\$51,159.00

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DRAFT MOTION 20180327_7-L:

I move to approve the FY19 nonresident instructional tuition rate to be \$36,433 and the residence cost to be set at \$14,726 for the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired as presented in the item.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Bureau of Finance and Management calculated the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the last fiscal year at 1.8%. This inflationary increase is sufficient to cover the salary policy increase and the increase on operating expenses while meeting the needs of the students.

ATTACHMENTS

None