

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Planning, Governance, and Resource Development

AGENDA ITEM: 5 – B (2)

DATE: April 2-4, 2019

SUBJECT

SDSM&T Student Organization Awards

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

None

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

At the March 2018 Board of Regents meeting, the Board is anticipated to approve the recommendations offered by each institution for the 2018 student organization awards winners. The winners of these awards are announced at Board meetings throughout 2019.

The SDSM&T Student Organization Awards will be presented at the April BOR meeting in Spearfish. Information about the SDSM&T student organization award winners can be found below:

SDSM&T Award for Academic Excellence: 3-D Printing Club

The purpose of the 3-D Printing Club is to pioneer the advancement of home and industrial additive manufacturing technologies. Its mission is to pioneer the advancement of home and industrial additive manufacturing technologies by being a campus and community hub for 3D printing, a student resource for rapid prototyping, and providing an opportunity to learn about additive manufacturing. In addition to being a resource on campus, the organization is establishing itself as a technical reference within the community.

SDSM&T Award for Community Service: Circle K

Circle K is an international, collegiate led organization focused on service, leadership, and fellowship. Members must pay yearly dues to be internationally recognized and to log service hours with the club. The organization strives to be involved and develop a strong relationship with the Rapid City community. The group has helped a variety of businesses off campus, including Happy Tails Haven, Storybook Island, and Cornerstone Mission. The group also hosts on campus events to generate support for the broader community with its largest project being the Trick or Treat for Canned Goods.

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INFORMATIONAL ITEM

SDSM&T Award for Organizational Leadership: American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) is the voice of the Civil Engineering field. The student chapter has 77 registered students from four different majors, as the group's commitment to professional development, social interaction, and community service is not limited to the Civil department. The group has been recognized for belonging in the top 5% of ASCE student chapters in the nation for the last six year straight based on the activities of the chapter and its exceptional members. The group's recognition as one of the country's most outstanding chapters stems from the speakers it brings in, the site tours it brings its members on, and the events that it organizes for its members, along with its involvement with the academic department. One of the most notable events in the chapter last year was the opportunity to host the Rocky Mountain Regional Conference, attended by 14 student chapters.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board recognizes the important role that student organizations play in the Regental system. Student organizations provide students the opportunity to connect with others who have similar interests as well as experience a sense of community, all of which increases the likelihood of successful college completion. They also provide students with opportunities for professional development by offering students practical opportunities to hone skills, including those in leadership and communication.

ATTACHMENTS

None