

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Budget and Finance
Consent

AGENDA ITEM: 4 – H (4)

DATE: August 7-8, 2019

SUBJECT

BOR Policy 6:12 – Bomb Threats (Second Reading)

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

[BOR Policy 6:12 – Bomb Threats](#)

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

BOR Policy 6:12 – Bomb Threats is one of the final finance policies that is being reviewed and put into the new format. The current policy focusing on bomb threats is outdated given the many threats that institutions now deal with, and therefore, is being updated to clarify campus authority and responsibility as well as updating the penalties for false threats.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Business Affairs Council and the Council of Presidents and Superintendents have reviewed the policy revisions and support the suggested changes. Attachment I shows the policy in the new format along with the proposed revisions. One change has been made since the first reading. The phrase “with all affected staff along with table-top exercises conducted annually” has been removed from the first paragraph of the policy.

~~All of the institutions shall have a documented emergency procedures in place addressing actions and responsibilities of campus personnel during natural or human threats and potential disasters, on file in the available to the Board of Regents Office. The plans should be reviewed annually with appropriate training conducted with all affected staff along with table top exercises conducted annually. The policy shall identify those individuals who have the authority to make necessary, permitted or mandated actions. There shall be an indication of persons who have such authority in the absence of those holding primary authority. The Board Office shall be notified as soon as possible.~~

Staff recommend approval of the revisions to BOR Policy 6:12.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I – BOR Policy 6:12 – Bomb Threats

DRAFT MOTION 20190807_4-H(4):

I move to approve the second and final reading of the revisions to BOR Policy 6:12 – Bomb Threats as shown in Attachment I.

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Policy Manual

SUBJECT: ~~Bomb Threats~~Emergency Response

NUMBER: 6:12

A. PURPOSE

To ensure all BOR institutions have plans and procedures in place to respond to emergency situations.

B. DEFINITIONS

None

C. POLICY

1. Campus Authority

All of the institutions shall have ~~a documented~~ emergency procedures in place addressing actions and responsibilities of campus personnel during natural or human threats and potential disasters. on file in the available to the Board of Regents Office. The plans should be reviewed annually with appropriate training conducted. ~~–~~The policy shall identify those individuals who have the authority to make necessary, permitted or mandated actions. There shall be an indication of persons who have such authority in the absence of those holding primary authority. ~~The Board Office shall be notified as soon as possible.~~

1.1. Presidents and superintendents shall have the responsibility and authority to make appropriate adjustments to the academic calendars as well as campus operations in the event that ~~bomb threats occur~~ of an emergency. See policy 4:40 Emergency Closings. The Board Office shall be notified as soon as possible.

2. False Reports

Persons who make false ~~threats~~ bomb reports with the intent to deceive, mislead or misinform others concerning the placing or planting of explosive devices, chemicals, or other dangerous substances may, on the first offense, be found guilty of a Class ~~6~~ felony misdemeanor, which could lead to incarceration for ~~two one~~ years and up to a \$41,000 fine. ~~A second offense is a Class 5 felony which could lead to incarceration for five years and a \$5,000 fine.~~ Restitution for any expenses incurred as a result of the false report is also mandated under statute.

~~2. Presidents and superintendents shall have the responsibility and authority to make appropriate adjustments to the academic calendars as well as campus operations in the event that bomb threats occur.~~**3. Board Authority**

The Board of Regents may authorize expenditure of a reward for information leading directly to the arrest and conviction of any person(s) making ~~bomb threats~~false threats to a Regental institution.

FORMS / APPENDICES:

None

SOURCE:

BOR, June 1992; _____.