

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs

AGENDA ITEM: II – B

DATE: April 1-2, 2015

SUBJECT: Resolutions of Recognition

Dakota State University requests approval to recognize Carrie Ahern, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment (23 years); Dr. Donna Hazelwood, Professor of Biology for the College of Arts & Sciences (20 years); Dr. Rick Puetz, Interim Dean of the College of Business and Information Systems and Professor of Accounting and Business Law (33 years); and David Vickmark, Technology Integration Specialist (19 years), for their outstanding contributions and dedication to public higher education and to the state of South Dakota (Attachment I).

Northern State University requests approval to recognize Tom Godfrey, Assistant Director of Computer Services (27 years), and Ross Norman, Director of Institutional Research and Assessment (31 years), for their outstanding contributions and dedication to public higher education and to the state of South Dakota (Attachment II).

RECOMMENDED ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Recognize Carrie Ahern (DSU), Dr. Donna Hazelwood (DSU), Dr. Rick Puetz (DSU), David Vickmark (DSU), Tom Godfrey (NSU), and Ross Norman (NSU) for their years of dedicated service to the public higher education system of South Dakota.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Ms. Carrie Ahern, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment, retired from full-time service to Dakota State University effective March 2015, and

WHEREAS, Carrie Ahern has devoted 23 years of her career to the students, faculty and staff at Dakota State University, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ahern was instrumental in establishing DSU's academic assessment program. In 1995 she co-authored DSU's first assessment plan for the Higher Learning Commission and has since led DSU's institutional accreditation program and helped the institution move to the AQIP accreditation process, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ahern was a driving force in establishing the continuous quality improvement process on campus, including serving as the interim CQI coordinator, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ahern provided leadership in writing and securing USDOE Title III Strengthening Institutions grant focused on Student Success and served as its Activity Director (2004-2009), and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ahern is known as a passionate, student-centered advocate for data accuracy, openness, fairness, and clear, campus communication, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ahern shaped strategic planning, accreditation, and assessment at DSU. Her efforts to collect and, more importantly use data to improve DSU has truly made a difference. She provided outstanding opportunities for Dakota State University students to create the websites used for internal data tracking and reporting. Though often behind the scenes, her leadership and dedication to the university and the students is undeniable, and will be missed.

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the State of South Dakota and the faculty, staff, students, and alumni of Dakota State University wish to recognize and express appreciation to Ms. Ahern for her many years of dedicated service to the students, to the University, to the community, and to the profession,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Ms. Carrie Ahern be accorded special recognition for her outstanding service, and it is ordered that this Resolution be spread on the minutes of this Board and that a copy thereof be forwarded to Ms. Ahern.

Adopted this 1st day of April, 2015.

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Dean M. Krogman, President

Randy Schaefer, Vice President

Bob Sutton, Secretary

ATTEST:

Dr. Marysz Rames, Interim President
Dakota State University

Special Resolution Number 02-2015

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Donna Hazelwood, Professor of Biology for the College of Arts & Sciences, will retire from full-time service to Dakota State University effective May 2015, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hazelwood has devoted 20 years of her career to providing instruction and guidance to the students of Dakota State University, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hazelwood developed a biology program area of emphasis in sub-organismal biology which included new courses in Cell and Molecular Biology and Bioinformatics, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hazelwood provided guidance and support for undergraduate research projects, led students on over 15 trips to the annual Nobel Lectures, and mentored students preparing for application to health profession programs, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hazelwood presented teaching and research results at regional, national and international meetings, promoted innovative science instruction as a board member of the Teaching Section of the Botanical Society of America, and organized a program of environmental monitoring of water resources in the Madison area, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hazelwood served as director on the Board of the Collaboration for the Advancement of College Teaching and Learning, as Secretary of the General Faculty and a large number of other campus committees, as a DSU representative on BOR committees for curriculum, and is a longtime member of the American Association of University Women, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the State of South Dakota and the faculty, staff, students, and alumni of Dakota State University wish to recognize and express appreciation to Dr. Donna Hazelwood for her many years of dedicated service to the students, to the University, to the community, and to the profession,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon retirement, Dr. Donna Hazelwood will henceforth carry the title of Professor Emeritus of Biology, and it is ordered that this Resolution be spread on the minutes of this Board and that a copy thereof be forwarded to Dr. Hazelwood.

Adopted this 1st day of April, 2015.

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ATTEST:

Dr. Marysz Rames, Interim President
Dakota State University

Special Resolution Number 03-2015

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Rick Puetz, Interim Dean of the College of Business and Information Systems and Professor of Accounting and Business Law, will retire from full-time service to Dakota State University effective June 2015, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Puetz has devoted 33 years of his career to providing instruction and guidance to the students of Dakota State University, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Puetz provided leadership in Academic Assessment on campus and was committed to the value and importance of systematic review of academic programs to improve their quality, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Puetz served as Program Coordinator for Business, managed course scheduling, assessment, and accreditation efforts, as well as provided invaluable leadership and service to his colleagues and students, and

WHEREAS, he led the development and implementation of the degree in Professional Accountancy and the Masters of Business Administration, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Puetz developed and implemented a plan to earn reaffirmation of the Business Programs accreditation in 2015, and led a successful site visit in March of 2015, and

WHEREAS, he was awarded the Alexander “Sandy” Davidson Award for Excellence in Advising in 2007. In addition to this direct and continued support of his students, he assisted other faculty members countless times with complex advising questions,

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the State of South Dakota and the faculty, staff, students, and alumni of Dakota State University wish to recognize and express appreciation to Dr. Rick Puetz for his many years of dedicated service to the students, to the University, to the community, and to the profession,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon retirement, Dr. Rick Puetz will henceforth carry the title of Professor Emeritus of Accounting and Business Law, and it is ordered that this Resolution be spread on the minutes of this Board and that a copy thereof be forwarded to Dr. Puetz.

Adopted this 1st day of April, 2015.

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Randy Schaefer, Vice President

Bob Sutton, Secretary

ATTEST:

Dr. Marysz Rames, Interim President
Dakota State University

Special Resolution Number 04-2015

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Mr. David Vickmark, Technology Integration Specialist, will retire from full-time service to Dakota State University effective May 2015, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vickmark has devoted 19 years of his career to Dakota State University, designing, managing, securing and supporting the DSU network infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vickmark has humbly shared his expertise with campus staff, as well as with IT staff throughout the Board of Regents, and has provided admirable service to the South Dakota System of Higher Education through his passion for working in information technology, his innovative and strategic thinking in the area of technology, and his dedicated service to the campus, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the State of South Dakota and the faculty, staff, students, and alumni of Dakota State University wish to recognize and express appreciation to Mr. Vickmark for his many years of dedicated service to the students, to the University, to the community, and to the profession,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. Vickmark be accorded special recognition for his outstanding service, and it is ordered that this Resolution be spread on the minutes of this Board and that a copy thereof be forwarded to Mr. Vickmark.

Adopted this 1st day of April 2015.

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ATTEST:

Dr. Marysz Rames, Interim President
Dakota State University

Special Resolution Number 05-2015

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Tom Godfrey, Assistant Director of Computer Services, will retire from active service from Northern State University March 2, 2015, and

WHEREAS, Tom Godfrey devoted the past twenty-seven years of his career to support and administration within Northern Educational Technology Services at Northern State University, and

WHEREAS, Tom Godfrey served as a microcomputing support specialist, programmer analyst, and communications network analyst for NSU, and

WHEREAS, Tom Godfrey served in an administrative role as Assistant Director of Computer Services, and

WHEREAS, The South Dakota Board of Regents, faculty, staff, and students wish to recognize and express appreciation and sincere thanks to Tom Godfrey for his twenty-seven years of dedicated service to Northern State University.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Tom Godfrey be accorded special recognition for his outstanding service, and it is ordered that this resolution be spread on the minutes of this Board and that a copy thereof be forwarded to Tom Godfrey.

Adopted this 1st day of April, 2015.

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ATTEST:

James M. Smith, President
Northern State University

Special Resolution Number 06-2015

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Ross Norman, Director of Institutional Research and Assessment, will retire from active service from Northern State University March 21, 2015, and

WHEREAS, Ross Norman devoted the past thirty-one years of his career to teaching, coaching and administration at Northern State University, and

WHEREAS, Ross Norman served as an assistant professor and department coordinator in Management Information Systems, and

WHEREAS, Ross Norman coached men's golf and his teams consistently qualified for national tournaments, and his 1990 team won the NSIC men's Golf Team Championship, and

WHEREAS, Ross Norman served in administrative roles as Registrar and Director of Institutional Research and Assessment, and

WHEREAS, The South Dakota Board of Regents, faculty, staff, and students wish to recognize and express appreciation and sincere thanks to Ross Norman for his thirty-one years of dedicated service to Northern State University.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Ross Norman be accorded special recognition for his outstanding service, and it is ordered that this resolution be spread on the minutes of this Board and that a copy thereof be forwarded to Ross Norman.

Adopted this 1st day of April 2015.

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ATTEST:

James M. Smith, President
Northern State University

Special Resolution Number 07-2015