

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Planning Session**

**AGENDA ITEM: 4 – A**  
**DATE: July 31 – August 2, 2023**

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**SUBJECT**

**Senate Bill 55 Updates – Academic and Finance**

**CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY**

[SB55 Taskforce Report and Recommendations](#)

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

In [October 2021](#), the Regents approved the final Senate Bill 55 (SB55) report. Dr. Janice Minder and Heather Forney will present to the Board of Regents an updated status report.

**IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION**

The Board of Regents should discuss the report provided during the planning session.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment I – Updated Report to the Regents

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

# Senate Bill 55 (SB55) Progress Report

SB55 Recommendations	Adopted	Status	Progress	Estimated Completion Date	Responsible Department
Refine Distance/Online Education Policies	Yes	In progress	50%	12/31/2023	Academics
Update Peer Institutions	Yes	In progress	25%	8/31/2023	Academics
Improved Data Analysis for Review of Staffing and Expenditures	Yes	In progress	95%	12/31/2023	Budget & Finance
Review and Modify Funding Models to Ensure Funding is Equitable & Sustainable	Yes	In progress	75%	3/31/2024	Budget & Finance
Monitor Staffing and Functions of the Central Office	Yes	In progress	50%	N/A	Budget & Finance
Consolidate HR Functions under the Central Office	Yes	In progress	90%	12/31/2023	HR
Combine Duplicate Functions at BHSU & SDSMT	Yes	In progress	75%	N/A	SDSMT/BHSU
Establish USD and SDSU Shared Services Center for HPC	Yes	In progress	75%	N/A	TAC
Establish System Standard for Endpoint Detection and Recovery/Response (EDR)	Yes	In progress	50%	N/A	Technology, RIS
Implement Standards for Technology Interoperability and Data Governance	Yes	Pending	N/A	N/A	Technology, RIS
Establish System Standard for Identity Access Management	Yes	Pending	N/A	N/A	Technology, RIS
Provide Financial Viability for CCSF	Yes	In progress	30%	N/A	USD
Investigate Options for Expanding System-wide Library Resources	Yes	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	Academics
Expand Student Mental Health Options through Telehealth	Yes	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	Academics
Increase Internal Collaboration on Online Course Delivery	Yes	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	Academics
Implement Ongoing Lean Reviews of Practices & Procedures	Yes	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	All
Expand Advocacy and Communication with Higher Ed Stakeholders	Yes	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	All
Transition Telephone Services to VOIP	Yes	Completed	100%	N/A - new technology may be better alternative than VOIP.	Technology, RIS
Investigate Cost Savings by Combining DocuSign Contracts	Yes	Completed	100%	N/A - System DocuSign contract was more expensive that existing individual contracts. DocuSign was unwilling to negotiate better terms	RIS
Implement Contract Management Software	Yes	Completed	100%	7/1/2022	Purchasing

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Single Nursing Program in Rapid City	Yes	Completed	100%	06/31/2022	Academics
Utilize Data-driven Program Gap Analysis to Inform Decisions	Yes	Completed	100%	8/31/2022	Academics
Ease Statutory Requirement for Green Building Standards	Yes	Completed	100%	7/1/2021	Budget & Finance
Revise Process for Reviewing Facility Utilization and Approving Facilities	Yes	Completed	100%	7/1/2021	Budget & Finance
Conduct a New Economic Impact Study	Yes	Completed	100%	12/8/2021	Budget & Finance
Transfer Processing of New Employee Moving Expenses to System	Yes	Completed	100%	7/1/2022	Central Office
Consolidate Title IX and EEO Compliance Functions	Yes	Completed	100%	12/31/2021	Legal
Update University Missions	Yes	Completed	100%	10/31/2022	Academics
Revise Course Section Enrollment Policies	Yes	Completed	100%	2/28/2023	Academics
Revise Low Enrollment and Low Graduate Policies	Yes	Completed	100%	2/28/2023	Academics
Implement Shared Service and Project Management Software	Yes	Completed	100%	12/31/2022	All
Implement HR Technologies to Facilitate Efficiencies - Performance Evaluation Electronic System	Yes	Completed	100%	10/31/2022	HR
System-wide Food Service RFP/Contract	Yes	Completed	100%	6/1/2022	Budget & Finance
Create Incentives to Increase Energy/Utility Savings	No	Not adopting	N/A	N/A	Budget & Finance
Allow Financial Benefits of Refinanced Bonds of Academic Space to Remain with the System	No	Not adopting	N/A	N/A	Budget & Finance