

# **SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

## **Informational Items** **Consent**

**AGENDA ITEM: 5 – N**  
**DATE: October 5-6, 2022**

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### **SUBJECT**

**Interim Actions of the Executive Director**

### **CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY**

[BOR Policy 1:5](#) – Executive Director

[BOR Policy 2:23](#) – New Programs, Program Modifications, Curricular Requests, and  
Inactivation/Termination

[BOR Policy 5:4](#) – Purchasing

[BOR Policy 6:6](#) – Maintenance and Repair

### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

Per BOR Policy, the Executive Director is granted authority to act on and/or authorize approval of various requests on behalf of the Board. In instances where these actions occur, the Executive Director shall provide to the Board a summary of these requests and approvals at each regularly scheduled Board meeting.

A portion of the interim actions of the Executive Director often include authorizing maintenance and repair projects submitted by the campuses whose costs range between \$50,000 and \$250,000 using institutional funds, donations, or funds not previously approved by the Board. Other finance-related action may also be the purchase of assets between \$250,000 and \$500,000 as well as any emergency approval of maintenance and repair projects.

### **IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION**

The list provided in Attachment I summarizes the interim actions taken by the Executive Director, or his designee.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment I – Interim Actions of the Executive Director

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

## INTERIM ACTIONS

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### **Maintenance and Repair Projects** ((\$50,000 - \$250,000))

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#### **Northern State University**

**Water Heater Replacement** – This \$45,000 work request is for funding for a new Aerco Modelb+07/2.50/EC hot water heater replacement in the Barnett Center.

#### **South Dakota State University**

**AES – Waldner Pole Shed May 12<sup>th</sup> Storm Damage** – SDSU is requesting EMERGENCY approval for this work request and for the full design and construction to rebuild the AES Waldner Farm Pole Shed that sustained damage in the May 12<sup>th</sup> windstorm, valued at \$209,000.00

**AES – Dairy Lactation Barn Fire Repairs** – SDSU is requesting EMERGENCY funding for removal of damaged structure, metal roof, and equipment. New construction will include replacing the damaged structure, rebuilding the destroyed manure pit enclosure, metal roofing, ag curtain, manure pit agitator, electrical, lighting, and pump. Includes lighting as called out in the reconciled list as well as returning power to the owner supplied as equipment, valued at \$850,000.00

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### **Capital Asset Purchase** (Greater than \$250,000)

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#### **Northern State University**

**Cisco Catalyst Switches (model: 9500) for Distribution Layer Upgrade and Nexus Core Upgrades** – Upgrade networking infrastructure and meet the guidelines of this multi-institutional grant. This purchase is estimated at a cost of \$293,528.26 and will be paid for by the CC\* NSF Grant.

#### **South Dakota School of Mines and Technology**

**WinPact SIP Fermentation System 200L** – The SIP fermentation system is a pre-pilot scale 200L (working volume) bioreactor/fermentation, required for immediate scale-up of the extremophilic bioprocessing/biopolymer technologies being developed in SD Mines for potential commercialization and for support of emerging biomanufacturing industries and of the agricultural economy in South Dakota. This reactor is designed to provide high productivity and automation while maintaining a low operation cost. Of key importance is the ability to run the system in batch, fed batch, and continuous operations. Scale-up on this system will enable efficient transfer to larger (1000L and higher) bioreactors at the Dakota Bioproducts Institute, with an estimated cost of \$306,500.00

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### Clerical BOR Policy Updates

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BOR Policy 2:5 – Seamless Transfer of Credit – was updated on August 25, 2022, to correct the following clerical edit (noted in **red** below) in Section B.1:

1. **Accredited Institution:** Holding accreditation from one of the following institutional accrediting bodies, unless otherwise specified: Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), Higher Learning Commission (HLC), Northwest ~~Accreditation Commission (NWAC)~~ Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC).

BOR Policy 2:7 – Undergraduate General Education Requirements – was updated on August 25, 2022, to correct the following clerical edits (noted in **red** below) in Section B.2 and C.3.3:

2. **Accredited Institution:** Holding accreditation from ~~Defined as~~ one of the following institutional accrediting bodies, unless otherwise specified: Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Higher Learning Commission (NEASC), Northwest ~~Accreditation Commission on~~ Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC).

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- 3.3. All prerequisites for associate and baccalaureate programs must be completed as determined by the student's academic degree plan. See BOR Policy ~~XXX 2:5 series~~ for additional guidance on transfer of credits.

BOR Policy 2:29 – Academic Program Student Credit Hour Requirements – was updated on August 25, 2022, to correct the following clerical edit (noted in **red** below) in Section B.2:

2. **Accrediteding Institution:** Holding accreditation from one of the following regional accrediting bodies, unless otherwise specified: Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), Higher Learning Commission (HLC), Northwest ~~Accreditation Commission on~~ Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), and WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC).

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### New Prefix Approvals

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#### **Black Hills State University**

- HSAD: Health Services Administration

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**Course Modifications**

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Since the approval of the revisions to BOR Policy 2:23 at the March 2017 BOR meeting, all subsequent course modifications approved by the System Vice President for Academic Affairs can be found on the Institutional Curriculum Requests webpage at the following link:

[https://www.sdbor.edu/administrative-offices/academics/aac/Institutional\\_Curriculum\\_Requests/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.sdbor.edu/administrative-offices/academics/aac/Institutional_Curriculum_Requests/Pages/default.aspx)

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**Substantive Program Modifications**

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Since the approval of the revisions to BOR Policy 2:23 at the March 2017 BOR meeting, all subsequent substantive program modifications approved by the System Vice President for Academic Affairs can be found on the Institutional Substantive Program Modification Requests webpage at the following link:

[https://www.sdbor.edu/administrative-offices/academics/aac/Sub\\_Program\\_Mod\\_Requests/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.sdbor.edu/administrative-offices/academics/aac/Sub_Program_Mod_Requests/Pages/default.aspx)

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**Reduced Tuition Externally Sponsored Courses**

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All requests for reduced tuition externally sponsored courses approved by the System Vice President for Academic Affairs can be found on the Special Tuition Rates Requests webpage at the following link:

[https://www.sdbor.edu/administrative-offices/academics/aac/Special\\_Tuition\\_Rate\\_Requests/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.sdbor.edu/administrative-offices/academics/aac/Special_Tuition_Rate_Requests/Pages/default.aspx)