# BOARD OF REGENTS MINUTES OF THE MEETING July 31 – August 1, 2024

The South Dakota Board of Regents met on July 31 – August 1, 2024, at Dakota State University in Madison, South Dakota at 9:30 a.m. Central Time and via Zoom\* with the following members present:

## **ROLL CALL:**

Brock Brown – PRESENT
Judy Dittman – PRESENT\*
Randy Frederick – PRESENT
James Lochner – PRESENT
Randy Rasmussen – PRESENT
Pam Roberts – PRESENT\*
Douglas Morrison, Secretary – PRESENT
Jeff Partridge, Vice President – PRESENT
Tim Rave, President – PRESENT

Also present during all or part of the meeting were Nathan Lukkes, Board of Regents Executive Director and CEO; Liza Clark, Chief of Staff; Dr. Janice Minder, System Vice President for Academic Policy and Planning; Heather Forney, System Vice President of Finance and Administration; Kayla Bastian, Chief Human Resources Officer; Shuree Mortenson, Director of Communications; Dr. Pamela Carriveau, System Associate Vice President for Academic Programming; Katie Maley, Executive Assistant to the CEO and Board; Barry Dunn, SDSU President; José-Marie Griffiths, DSU President; Steve Elliott, BHSU President; Jim Rankin, SDSMT President; Dr. Neal Schnoor, NSU President; Sheila Gestring, USD President; Kami VanSickle, SDSD Director; Jessica Vogel, SDSBVI Superintendent; and other members of the Regental system and public and media.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2024

Regent Rave declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

# 1-B Approval of the Agenda

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Partridge, to approve the agenda as published. Motion passed.

## **1-C Declaration of Conflicts**

There were no declared conflicts.

## 1-D Approval of the Minutes – Meeting on June 26-27, 2024

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Rasmussen, to approve the minutes of the Board of Regents meeting on June. Motion passed.

### 1-E Motion to Dissolve into Executive Session

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, that the Board dissolve into Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, July 31, to consult with legal counsel and discuss personnel matters, pending and prospective litigation, contractual matters, and marketing or pricing strategies by a board of a business owned by the State when public discussion may be harmful to the competitive position of the business.

That it rise from Executive Session at 5:00 p.m., and reconvene in public session, to resume the regular order of business, and that the Board report its deliberations while in executive session and take any action it deems prudent as a result thereof in public session on Thursday, August 1. Motion passed.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2024

The Board reconvened in public session at 9:00 a.m.

#### 3-A Report and Actions of Executive Session

The Board Dissolved into Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, July 31 to consult with legal counsel and discuss personnel matters, pending and prospective litigation, contractual matters, and marketing or price strategies by a board of a business owned by the State when public discussion may be harmful to the competitive position of the business, before rising from executive session at 5:00 p.m.

While in Executive Session, the Board discussed the matters just described, which included certain recommended actions as set forth in the Secretary's Report and other matters permitted by law.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, that the Board approve the recommended actions as set forth in the secretary's report and publish said reports and official actions in the formal minutes of this meeting. Motion passed.

## 3-B Welcome Presentation by DSU President José-Marie Griffiths

President José-Marie Griffiths welcomed the Board of Regents to Dakota State University Campus, who was also joined by Dr. Rebecca Hoey, DSU Provost and VP for Academic Affairs, provided an update of recent activities, Quantum Research, and Graduate Studies at DSU.

## **3-C DSU Student Organization Awards**

Amy Crissinger, DSU Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, presented the DSU student organization award winners for 2023. The Future Business Leaders of America Collegiate (FBLA) accepted the award for academic excellence. The DSU Games Club/Nanocon Committee accepted the award for community service. The CybHER Club accepted the award for organizational leadership.

A copy of the DSU Student Organization Awards can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 3-D Reports from Individual Presidents and Superintendents

President Griffiths note that the US Cyber Team has 20-25 members on it and DSU has been active with that team for the last three years. Currently this year DSU has four students or recent alumni on that team, plus four on the development team, and several other of their alumni are trainers, giving DSU a large presence there. This team will be competing in Chile this year.

Also, soon the US Cyber Organization will be announcing the first US Women's Cyber Team which will have 12 members. Two DSU students have been selected to be a part of that team; DSU is the only institution to have two members. That team will be competing internationally in Japan later this year.

No reports from the other Presidents or special schools leadership.

## 3-E Reports on Individual Regent Activities

Regent Rasmussen attended an event for the South Dakota Services for the Deaf in Sioux Falls where he was able to take a first-hand look at their new Mobile Audiology Lab. Kami Van Sickle also noted that it is a sprinter van that they have been working on for over a year. This new mobile lab allows them to expand their services across the state and will benefit students/individuals everywhere in the state.

Regent Partridge spent a full day recently at the Research Park at SDSU for their retreat, engaging in a lot of big picture discussions/plans occurring there. He is also heavily engaged in the search for the new President for the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. The search team is currently being put together along with a schedule. The posting of that position search is expected to go live on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Regent Rave noted he recently participated in a system Athletic Committee Meeting, bringing all of the athletic directors across the Regental system together, along with Regents Dittman and Rasmussen. In that meeting they discussed a lot that is currently going on in the athletic realm including those with the NCAA. It was a very productive meeting. Regent Rave further stated that they plan to have a standing Athletic Committee going forward to meeting 2-3 times per year ensuring lines of communication are kept open. Regents Dittman and Rasmussen also both agreed that those meetings have been going well and look forward to continuing those in the future.

# 3-F Report of the Executive Director

Nathan Lukkes, Executive Director and CEO, thanked DSU and Madison for hosting the BOR meeting this week. Some were lucky enough to come a day early for additional meetings with campus staff and were able to attend the wonderful community event Downtown in Madtown.

With the start of the fall semester coming, Nathan highlighted a couple of things on the academic front that are a testament to the forward thinking of our campuses and staff. The first being the Gateway to Teacher Education certificate that will be discussed later in the agenda. This looks at new ways to engage students, being forward thinking and providing them new pathways to high need careers in the state. Second is the Fast Track Admissions pilot that is going to be launching later this fall which allows us the opportunity to start out working with three different school districts (Sioux Falls, Aberdeen and Spearfish) to explore opportunities to better connect and communicate with students to provide a seamless transition from our high schools to campuses, finding ways to remove barriers, and better promote the traditional matriculation from high school to college.

Finally, Nathan expressed his thanks to all our faculty, staff and employees across our campuses. There is a lot of work that goes into getting campuses read for a start of the fall semester. It's fun and exciting to be here in three weeks when students are moving into their dorms, but there is a lot of work going on right now to be prepared for all of that and more. It all happens behind the scenes, but that work does not go unnoticed and nothing that we do could happen without everyone else.

## 3-G Report from the Student Federation

Ethan Gladue, President, joined by Madelyn Siekmann, Vice President, noted that their Executive Director Blake Gibney is still out of country for military obligations, but that he will be back state side come the next BOR meeting in October. Ethan noted that even though it is summer break for most, the Student Federation members are still hard at work getting organized and prepping for the upcoming semester. They had a great meeting last night, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Since she joined via Zoom, Madelyn provided a quick introduction of herself and the activities she as been up with as she is also an active member of the SDSMT Student Government on campus.

## **4 Public Comment Period**

Travis Lape who serves as the Director of Teaching and Learning in the Harrisburg School District, and he also serves as the volunteer State Director and President of Educators Rising South Dakota. He expressed his gratitude to the Board for taking the issue of addressing the need for teachers seriously and his support for the Gateway for Teacher Education undergraduate certificate that is up for approval later in today's agenda. If it gets passed, he is excited to bring it to fellow educators this fall.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Rasmussen, to approve consent agenda items 5-A through 5-H as presented. Motion passed.

# **Academic and Student Affairs - Consent**

## **5-A Graduation Lists**

Approve the Summer 2024 graduation lists for BHSU, NSU, SDSU, and USD contingent upon the students' completion of all degree requirements.

A copy of the Graduation Lists can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 5-B Revised BOR Policy 2.11.1 – Academic and Student Reporting (Second Reading)

Approve the second and final reading of the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 2.11.1 – Academic and Student Reporting, as presented.

A copy of the Revised BOR Policy 2.11.1 – Academic and Student Reporting (Second Reading) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 5-C Agreements on Academic Cooperation – SDSMT

Approve South Dakota School of Mines & Technology to finalize and execute the agreement on academic cooperation between SDSMT and Anton de Kom Universiteit van Suriname in substantially similar form to that set forth in Attachment I.

A copy of the Agreements on Academic Cooperation – SDSMT can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

#### 5-D Articulation Agreements – DSU

Approve Dakota State University to finalize and execute the articulation agreements with Northeast Community College and Western Dakota Technical College, in substantially similar form to that set forth in Attachments I & II.

A copy of the Articulation Agreements – DSU can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

#### 5-E High School Dual Credit In-District MOU – USD

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the University of South Dakota and the Dakota Valley School District for in-district delivery of High School Dual Credit courses, as presented in Attachment I.

A copy of the High School Dual Credit In-District MOU – USD can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

### **Budget and Finance – Consent**

# 5-F Maintenance & Repair (M&R) Projects (Greater than \$250,000)

Approve the requested maintenance and repair projects as described in this item.

A copy of the Maintenance & Repair (M&R) Projects (Greater than \$250,000) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# <u>5-G Revised BOR Policy 4.1.8 – Sponsorship of Employee Permanent Resident Applications (Second Reading)</u>

Approve the second and final reading of the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 4.1.8, as presented.

A copy of the Revised BOR Policy 4.1.8 – Sponsorship of Employee Permanent Resident Applications (Second Reading) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# <u>5-H Extension Forestry Joint Powers Agreement Addendum – SDSU & SD Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources</u>

Approve the second and final reading of the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 4.1.8, as presented

A copy of the Extension Forestry Joint Powers Agreement Addendum – SDSU & SD Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# Routine Informational Items - No Board Action Necessary

### **5-I Discipline Council Reports**

A copy of the Discipline Council Reports can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 5-J FY25 Operating Budgets

A copy of the FY25 Operating Budgets can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

#### 5-K Interim Actions of the Executive Director

A copy of the Interim Actions of the Executive Director can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## **5-L Building Committee Report**

A copy of the Building Committee Report can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## **5-M Capital Projects List**

A copy of the Capital Projects List can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## **5-N Audit Committee Report**

A copy of the Audit Committee Report can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE**

## 6-A(1) Research Park at SDSU Report

Duane Chappell, CEO and Executive Director, of the Research Park at SDSU provided an update on the current status of operations and future plans for the Research Park at SDSU.

A copy of the Research Park at SDSU Report can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 6-A(2) SDSMT Report

Dr. Laurie Anderson provided an update on the status of operations and future plans for the research park at SDSMT.

A copy of the SDSMT Report can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 6-A(3) Dakota BioWorx (DBX) Annual Meeting

Craig Arnold of DBX provided an update on the status of operations and future plans for Dakota BioWorks.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Brown, to reappoint David Chicoine to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Dakota BioWorx. Motion passed.

A copy of the Dakota BioWorx (DBX) Annual Meeting can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 6-A(4) USD Discovery District Annual Meeting

Ryan Oines, Chief Operating Officer of the USD Discovery District, provided an update on the current status of operations and future plans for the USD Discovery District.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Brown, to reappoint Paul TenHaken, Kim Patrick, and Mark Mickelson to appoint Kathryn Pohlson to serve three-year terms on the Board of Directors of the USD Discovery District. Motion passed.

A copy of the USD Discovery District Annual Meeting can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 6-A(5) DSU-SOAR Annual Meeting

Stacy Krusemark, DSU VP for Finance and Administration, provided an update regarding the operations of DSU-SOAR and the Board of Directors annual meeting.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Lochner, to reappoint Richard Hansen, Nathan Lukkes, and José-Marie Griffiths to serve three-year terms on the Board of Directors of DSU-SOAR. Motion passed.

A copy of the DSU-SOAR Annual Meeting can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# <u>6-B SDSMT Surbeck Center Addition Facility Program Plan (FPP) and Facility Design Plan (FDP)</u>

Heather Forney, System VP for Finance and Administration, joined by Interim SDSMT President Lance Roberts, stated that SDSMT requests approval of the Facility Program Plan (FPP) and Facility Design Plan (FDP) for the Surbeck Center (Student Union) Addition. The Board approved the Preliminary Facility Statement in April of 2014. The 18,200 sq ft addition includes expanded dining space, a new admissions office, a large multi-function meeting space, and additional lounge and study spaces for use by the entire university. The preliminary cost estimate for the addition is \$10,206,000. Funding for this project will be provided by the Center for Alumni & Advancement (CARA) through private fundraising efforts.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Rasmussen, to approve the combined Facility Program Plan and the Facility Design Plan for the SDSMT Surbeck Center Addition to be funded with private donations. Motion passed.

A copy of the SDSMT Surbeck Center Addition Facility Program Plan (FPP) and Facility Design Plan (FDP) can be found on pages \_\_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 6-C SDSU Swine Unit, Wean to Finish Barn Addition Preliminary Facility Statement (PFS)

Heather Forney, System VP for Finance and Administration, joined by Mike Holbeck, SDSU Vice President for Finance and Administration, stated that SDSU requests approval of this Preliminary Facility Statement to engage a design-build team to complete planning and construction of an addition to the existing Wean to Finish Swine Barn located north of the main campus in Brookings, SD. The success of the 2016 Swine Unit Teaching and Research facility has created the opportunity to further expand the existing facility to support teaching and research activities related to pig performance and production. To support this increased need, a new 600 head wean to finish barn addition with two rooms holding 300 animals each would be construction. In addition to animal holding areas, the addition would include a shower, laundry, bagged feed storage, and load-out areas. The project will be funded with private funds.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Lochner, to approve SDSU's Preliminary Facility Statement to complete planning and construction of a new addition to the Wean and Finish Swine Unit using private donations, and to appoint a building committee. Motion passed.

A copy of the SDSU Swine Unit, Wean to Finish Barn Addition Preliminary Facility Statement (PFS) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 6-D Revised BOR Policy 4.1.7 – Political Activity (First and Final Reading)

Holly Farris, System General Counsel, noted that the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 4.1.7 remove the prohibition to system employees serving in the South Dakota State Legislature in

general. It preserves all other existing requirements necessary to maintain the functions of employment, including ensuring that employees make sufficient arrangements to ensure their duties are performed. The proposed revisions still require employees who seek to hold such elected office to comply with all other applicable requirements of BOR policy or South Dakota law, including, but not limited to, conflict of interest provisions.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Brown, to (1) waive the two-reading requirement of By-Laws Section 5.5.1.; and (2) approve the first and final reading of the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 4.1.7, as presented. Motion passed.

A copy of the Revised BOR Policy 4.1.7 – Political Activity (First and Final Reading) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## **ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

## 7-A SDSBVI Comprehensive Plan for Special Education

Dr. Jessica Vogel, SDSBVI Superintendent, explained that each local school district and accredited school is required to annually submit a Comprehensive Plan for Special Education to the South Dakota Department of Education that details how the school will implement federal and state laws and special education regulations. Local school boards across the state are required to approve similar plans, and since the SDBOR serves in this capacity for SDSBVI, formal Board approval is required prior to submission.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Partridge, to approve the South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired's Comprehensive Plan for Special Education as presented for signature by the BOR President. Motion passed.

A copy of the SDSBVI Comprehensive Plan for Special Education can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# 7-B SDSBVI School Accreditation and Improvement Plan

Dr. Jessica Vogel, SDSBVI Superintendent, stated that this item is informational only for the Board. The strategic plan for SDSBVI is reviewed annually for purposes of improving the school. The school's improvement plan assists SDSBVI staff, administration, and their various stakeholders to develop the school's mission and further support meeting the needs of the students attending or being serviced by SDSBVI.

A copy of the SDSBVI Comprehensive Plan for Special Education can be found on pages \_\_ to of the official minutes.

#### 7-C SDSBVI Strategic Plan 2024-2027

Dr. Jessica Vogel, SDSBVI Superintendent, provided a brief overview of SDSBVI's Strategic Plan. There were no additional questions from the Board.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Morrison, to approve the strategic plans

for the South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, as presented. Motion passed.

A copy of the SDSBVI Strategic Plan 2024-2027 can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# 7-D New BOR Admission Policy Series (First Reading)

Dr. Janice Minder, System VP for Academic Policy and Planning, stated that in August of 2022, the Academic Affairs Council (AAC) and the Student Affairs Council (SAC) considered an enhancement to the current admission policy for the Regental system. To better understand best practices for admission policies, several committees were developed to explore, research, and recommend changes to the current policy. The goal was to evaluate all portions of the current policy and differentiate a sub-policy for the student-applicable portions to streamline the readability of the policies. The teams were facilitated by system academic and student affairs stakeholders. Each team researched other universities, colleges, and systems as well as evaluated reports and research from organizations. This is a first reading of the policy with a final version expected to be brought forward at the December BOR meeting for approval.

Regent Rasmussen asked Dr. Minder if she could speak to immunization and people who are or may be opposed to them. Dr. Minder affirmed that we as a system do have a waiver process currently in place and the ability to work with that student on those particular admissions requirement issues.

Regent Brown commented he believes in looking at the list of individuals listed on the first page of the item from all of the different universities in addition to BOR staff, displays a testament to the betterment of a central office to be able to work on big policy initiatives such as this

What is presented to the Board today is a culmination of work over the past two (2) years. Since these policies reflect a new and enhanced version all are new policies.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Dittman, seconded by Regent Lochner, to approve the first reading of the new draft BOR Policy Admission Series 2.2.1.1 through 2.2.1.11, as presented. Motion passed.

A copy of the New BOR Admission Policy Series (First Reading) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

## 7-E New BOR Policy 2.7.3.1 – Learning Management System (First Reading)

Dr. Janice Minder, System VP for Academic Policy and Planning, stated that the Board of Regents manages a systemwide learning management solution. The Academic Affairs Council (AAC) initially developed a guideline to manage the procedural content for the system; however, AAC determined at their December 2023 AAC meeting to move that guideline to a policy. The system requires that each course has an active shell in D2L. Therefore, with the onset of the syllabi policy, this new policy will complement the system solution and the requirements for course content. This is the first reading of the policy for the Board. Dr. Minder noted that she does plan to have another vetting of the policy by AAC and TAC before this comes back to the Board for a second and final reading at the October BOR meeting.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Morrison, to approve the first reading of

the new draft policy BOR Policy 2.7.3.1 – Learning Management System, as presented. Motion passed.

A copy of the New BOR Policy 2.7.3.1 – Learning Management System (First Reading) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# <u>7-F New Certificate Request – BHSU, DSU, NSU, SDSU, & USD – Gateway to Teacher Education (Undergraduate)</u>

Dr. Pamela Carriveau, System Associate VP for Academic Programming, thanked the Provosts on each campus as well as the SD Department of Education for coming together and working on this stackable certificate program. One of the real benefits of this will help recruit high school students into the teaching profession, which is a high demand occupation in South Dakota. It exemplifies how we are trying to meet workforce needs in the state.

Regent Brown commented that we have heard a lot in the past about how high school students may not know what classes to take, and they may take the wrong dual credit class that may not apply to their college degree. This certificate will benefit students by providing a clear direction for them, so he is appreciative of Dr. Carriveau and the universities for putting this together.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Rasmussen, to authorize BHSU, DSU, NSU, SDSU, and USD to offer a Gateway to Teacher Education undergraduate certificate, as presented. Motion passed.

A copy of the New Certificate Request – BHSU, DSU, NSU, SDSU, & USD – Gateway to Teacher Education (Undergraduate) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

#### 7-G Request to Seek Accreditation – NSU (CCNE)

Dr. Pamela Carriveau, System Associate VP for Academic Programming, stated that NSU requests approval to seek accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for their BS in Nursing. NSU anticipates a one-time application fee of \$2,500 for initial accreditation, and an annual fee of \$2,833 (FY24) to be covered through department funds. NSU plans to attach a student fee to courses with the NURS prefix. This revenue would be able to maintain the annual fees associated with accreditation. Other costs would include roughly \$5,250 for travel expenses for the evaluation & site visit.

Regent Frederick inquired as to how things were looking for enrollment getting ready to go into the final stage of this accreditation process and is NSU seeing significant growth in their nursing program. Dr. Mike Wanous stated that there are currently 41 students in the Pre-Nursing program, and it is those students who would be transitioning into the BNS program in Fall 2025. Dr. Wanous noted that they have always had a small number of Pre-Nursing students that would transition on to SDSU and USD within their student population. This would range from about 8-10 students per year in pre-nursing; so there has been a definite growth seen.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Frederick to approve NSU's request to seek accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for their BS in Nursing. Motion passed.

A copy of the Request to Seek Accreditation – NSU (CCNE) can be found on pages \_\_ to \_\_ of the official minutes.

# 7-H Revised BOR Policies 1.4.1 and 3.4.1 (Placeholder)

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, to table this item pending further information. Motion passed.

A copy of the Revised BOR Policies 1.4.1 and 3.4.1 (Placeholder) can be found on pages \_\_\_ to \_\_\_ of the official minutes.

Motion passed.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Partridge, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

## Secretary's Executive Session Report

The Board convened in Executive Session pursuant to the vote of the majority of the Board present and voting at its public meeting on Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, in accordance with SDCL § 1-25-2 to discuss matters authorized therein. Following executive session, on August 1<sup>st</sup>, the Board will meet in open session to discuss and take official action on the matters set forth below, all other matters discussed were consistent with the requirements of SDCL § 1-25-2, but no official action on them is being proposed at this time.

#### Recommended Actions:

- 2-C. Approve the request for a site termination by SDSU.
- 2-D. Authorize the General Counsel to proceed with the legal matter(s) within the parameters discussed.
- 2-F(1). Adopt the recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommended decision pertaining to SDSU NFE Employee Grievance No. 2024-01.
- 2-F(2). Authorize the Executive Director to issue a determination on SDSMT Faculty Appeal No. 2024-01, consistent with the Board's direction.
- 2-G(1) Approve the evaluation letter for Executive Director Nathan Lukkes, as presented.