



SOUTH DAKOTA
**BOARD of
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House Education Presentation

Presentation to the
House Education Committee
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Agenda Topics

1. Taskforce Update on the 2020 Legislative Session - SB55
2. Economic Impact Study
3. Workforce and Degree Gap Analysis
4. Next Steps – Strategic Planning
5. Opportunity for All



Senate Bill 55 - 2020 South Dakota Legislature

Required Board of Regents to assemble a task force to study the operations and functions of higher education under the Board's authority.



Possible combining of:

- ▶ administration at all levels of operation within an institution;
- ▶ operations and functions across multiple institutions;
- ▶ administration of programs across multiple institutions;

Review of:

- ▶ duplication of program offerings;
- ▶ academic majors with low enrollments and low numbers of graduates;
- ▶ functions outside core missions of teaching, learning, and research;
- ▶ operations and functions provided as an efficiency through the central office of the Board of Regents;
- ▶ the viability of university centers (Rapid City and Sioux Falls);

Other:

- ▶ Any other possible cost-effective measures the task force determines worthy of examination.





SB55 Task Force Membership

- Sen. Ryan Maher, Isabel
- Sen. Reynold Nesiba, Sioux Falls
- Rep. Hugh Bartels, Watertown
- Rep. Chris Karr, Sioux Falls
- Dr. Brian Maher, Pierre
- Regent Jim Thares, Aberdeen
- Regent Joan Wink, Howes
- Regent Barb Stork, Dakota Dunes
- USD President Sheila Gestring
- BHSU President Laurie Nichols
- SDSU President Barry Dunn
- Jim Neiman, Hulett, Wyo.
- Tyler Tordsen, Sioux Falls
- Paulette Davidson, Rapid City
- Elsie Meeks, Pine Ridge
- Nadifa Mahamed, Sioux Falls
- Hal Clemensen, Aberdeen
- Jon Veenis, Sioux Falls
- Jim Lochner, Dakota Dunes
- Doug Morrison, Sioux Falls

Task Force & Subcommittee Meetings

- Six meetings of the full task force:
 - Oct. 8, 2020 – Rapid City
 - Nov. 12, 2020 – Vermillion
 - Jan. 7, 2021 – Virtual meeting
 - April 15, 2021 – Spearfish
 - May 13, 2021 – Sioux Falls
 - June 3, 2021 – Brookings
- Nearly 20 subcommittee meetings were also held.
- Task force findings were due no later than Nov. 15, 2021, to Governor and the Legislature’s Joint Committee on Appropriations.



Final Task Force Report - October 2021

- ▶ 35 separate recommendations available on www.sdbor.edu
- ▶ Some recommendations already completed or in process
- ▶ Recommendations inform the next Board of Regents' strategic plan
- ▶ Today, will highlight four of the important recommendation and outcomes:
 - University Center Viability
 - Economic Impact Study
 - Workforce & Degree Gap Analysis
 - 2022 Legislative Impact

University Centers – In Process

- ▶ Black Hills State University – Rapid City (BHRC)
 - Ramp up Applied Health Sciences Associates Degree at BHSU
 - Consolidate and expand West River nursing
- ▶ Community College for Sioux Falls (CCSF)
 - Consolidate USD allied health programs and vacate leased space
 - Focus on area workforce needs as identified in SB55 Workforce Gap Analysis
 - Market as known brand of USD and drop CCSF
- ▶ Removal of requirement of self-support rates at both centers to make these successful

Economic Impact Study

Study Completed

- ▶ Economic impact of SD's public universities resulted in the following findings:
 - \$2.1 billion combined economic impact
 - 35,5420 students served
 - 10,000 employees within the Regental system
 - 12,354 generated jobs
 - 550,000 volunteer hours valued at \$3.8 million
 - Education drives lower unemployment rates



Degree & Workforce Gap Analysis Study Completed

- ▶ The goal of this project was to identify the numbers of degree completers (supply) as they relate to the South Dakota job market analysis (demand).
 - Workforce alignment gaps
 - Careers where a stronger pipeline of graduates is needed
 - Careers that are declining
 - Viability of careers for programs
 - New/expanded program needs





Degree & Workforce Gap Analysis

- ▶ New Program Requests – Implementing Higher Impact Practices
- ▶ Examples Experiential Learning
 - **Teaching** – USD and Sioux Falls
 - **Cyber** – DSU, Southeast Tech, SD Department of Labor & Regulation
 - **Engineering** – SDSU/SDSMT Industry Advisory Boards
- ▶ Partnerships with Industry
 - BHSU Forestry
 - SDSU Concrete Industry
 - NSU Banking and Financial Services



Next Steps: New Strategic Plan

- ▶ Board will establish new performance measures tightly coupled with the next 5-year strategic plan.
- ▶ Performance indicators will serve as foundation for the new 5-year strategic plan.
 - Connected to measurable outcomes.
 - Invite campus feedback.
- ▶ Delivery of Board's draft strategic plan anticipated Spring 2022.



Next Steps: Impacts of SB55 – 2022 Legislation

- ▶ SB 42 – Authorize the Board of Regents to contract for the design, renovation, and construction of an addition for a health sciences center at Black Hills State University – Rapid City, to make an appropriation therefor, and to declare an emergency.
- ▶ HB 1024 – To revise and repeal certain provisions regarding self-support tuition rates at off-campus locations governed by the Board of Regents.
- ▶ HB 1063 – Revise the approval process for state employee household moving allowances.



Opportunity for All – Board of Regents’ Statement

- ▶ Increase opportunity for all students to succeed
- ▶ Embrace merit-based assessment and decision-making
- ▶ Proudly support the United States of America
- ▶ Offer curriculum based upon widely-held and accepted knowledge and thought; we respect academic freedom, and will expect faculty to exercise that freedom in a way that respects this expectation
- ▶ Encourage students to be exposed to a variety of viewpoints, ideas, and theories, so they can be debated and critiqued





So Now What?

- ❑ Along with creating a new strategic plan, other important work driven by the Senate Bill 55 Task Force continues.
- ❑ Legislative Session
- ❑ Efforts are underway on many fronts, including:
 - ✓ Tuition and fees
 - ✓ Human resources assessment
 - ✓ Academic policies