

**Board of Education Standards/Board of Technical Education/Board of Regents  
JOINT MEETING  
800 Governors Drive, Pierre SD (MacKay Building, First Floor, Library Commons)  
July 18, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. CT**

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**Members Present:**

<b>BOES</b>	<b>BOTE</b>	<b>BOR</b>
Becky Guffin, President	Joy Nelson	Pam Roberts, President
Terry Nebelsick, Vice President	Terry Sabers	Jim Thares, Vice President
Phyllis Heineman	Brian Sandvig	John Bastian
Rich Meyers	Kay Schallenkamp	Brock Brown
Linda Olsen		Jeff Partridge (ZOOM)
Julie Westra (ZOOM)		Tony Venhuizen
Steve Willard		Joan Wink

**Members Absent**

<b>BOTE</b>	<b>BOR</b>
Dana Dykhouse, President	Timothy Rave
Doug Ekeren	
Brad Greenway	
Scott Peterson	
Diana VanderWoude	

**DOE Staff Present:** Tiffany Sanderson, Laura Scheibe, Shannon Malone, and Ferne Haddock.

**Others in attendance:** Nick Wendell, Scott DesLauriers, Mike Cartney, Mark Wilson, Ann Bolman, Katie Maley, Janice Minder, Molly Weisgram, Neal Schnoor, James Rankin, Laurie Nichols, Barry Dunn, and other members of the public in attendance in person and via ZOOM.

**Call to Order**

The South Dakota Board of Education Standards (BOES), Board of Technical Education (BOTE), and Board of Regents (BOR) joint meeting was called to order by Becky Guffin, BOES, at approximately 1:30 p.m. CT.

**Welcome and Introductions**

Board of Education Standards (BOES), Board of Technical Education (BOTE), and Board of Regents, (BOR), members present introduced themselves.

Nick Wendell, Executive Director, Board of Technical Education (BOTE) introduced the BOTE members that were unable to attend.

Brian Maher, Executive Director, Board of Regents (BOR) introduced, Neal Schnoor, President, Northern State University (NSU), James Rankin, President, South Dakota School of Mines &

42 Technology (SD SM&T), Laurie Nichols, President, Black Hills State University (BHSU), and Barry  
43 Dunn, President, South Dakota State University (SDSU).

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45 Wendell, BOTE, introduced Mike Cartney, President of Lake Area Technical College and  
46 Benjamin Valdez, Vice President of Southeast Technical College.

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48 **Public Comment (SDCL 1-25-1)**

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50 There was no public comment.

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52 Wendell, BOTE, began the meeting with a brief presentation on aligning post-secondary  
53 attainment with workforce needs in the state.

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55 **Board Discussion**

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57 Janice Minder, System Vice President for Academic Policy and Planning, Molly Weisgram,  
58 System Academic Program Manager, BOR, and Laura Scheibe, Director, Division of College,  
59 Career and Student Success, DOE, gave a presentation on:

- 60 • Early Preparation for Post-secondary Education and some initiatives.
  - 61 ○ The Dakota Dreams Online Tutoring Program. The grant allows for two years of
  - 62 online tutoring in South Dakota.
  - 63 ○ Dakota Dreams Career Exploration Summer Camps. The grant allows for three-
  - 64 summers of camps.
- 65 • Transitions from high school to post-secondary education
  - 66 ○ Our Dakota Dreams promotes post-secondary education in South Dakota, which
  - 67 was initiated with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) project.
  - 68 Includes the development of the Our Dakota Dreams website.
  - 69 ○ FAFSA completion push, brought back the FAFSA Completion Portal which is a
  - 70 tool for high school counselors to track their student's completion or non-
  - 71 completion of the FAFSA application.

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73 Shannon Malone, Director, Division of Learning and Instruction, DOE, spoke on the Proactive  
74 Admissions Initiative. The proactive admissions initiative offers students who meet certain  
75 criteria guaranteed general acceptance to any of the state's six public universities and four  
76 technical colleges.

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78 ○ Free application period expanded to October 3, 2022, to November 30, 2022, for  
79 the six public universities and one technical college at this time.

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81 Scheibe, DOE, also reported that SDMyLife is proving to be a successful tool for academic and  
82 career planning. It is useful for students and schools.

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84 President Guffin declared a recess at approximately 2:38 p.m. CT.

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President Guffin called the meeting back to order at approximately 2:50 p.m. CT.

Scott DesLauriers, Deputy Director, BOTE, and Janice Minder, BOR, gave a presentation on:

- Transitions from 2-year to 4-year degree programs-College Preparation Campaign is a collaboration between BOR and BOTE.
  - Seamless Transfer Initiative between regental universities and technical colleges.
  - Nursing Framework Initiative

**Time for open discussion amongst Boards**

**Closing statements**

Maher, BOR, stated that collaboration does exist with DOE, BOR and BOTE. Cooperation between the three entities is very good. Great strides have been made for South Dakota. Maher felt that there is a common goal and a common mission to promote education in South Dakota.

Wendell, BOTE, said the today’s information sharing is a tangible example of positive outcomes including the value of technical education in South Dakota. Too long it has been an either-or option of technical education verses university education. Now it seems to be shifting to an **and** proposition of a technical college and you can go to a university, or vice versa. Knocking down barriers of access, affordability, geography and all the things that might be between a high-school graduate and a college graduate.

Sanderson, DOE, felt that there was a lot to celebrate today. Thinking that ten years from now there will be an impact from today’s discussions and ideas. She encouraged those around the table to continue to communicate and talk about what the states need are and how we help support for young people and non-traditional learners on their path to education.

**Adjournment:**

President Guffin adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:20 p.m. CT.

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Ferne G. Haddock  
Executive Secretary BOES

Date: 09/20/2022