

**Tentative Agenda
South Dakota Board of Regents
July 22-23, 2026**

**Black Hills State University
Student Union
Spearfish, South Dakota**

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Wednesday, July 22, 2026

- 8:30 A.M.** **Breakfast – Regents, BOR Staff – Crow Peak Conference Room**
- 9:30 A.M.** **1. Regents Convene – Student Union, Jacket Legacy Room**
- A. Roll Call
 - B. Approval of the Agenda
 - C. Declaration of Conflicts
 - D. Approval of the Minutes – May 18-20, 2026
 - E. 2027 SDBOR Meeting Schedule
 - F. Motion to Dissolve into Executive Session
- 9:45 A.M. –
4:30 P.M.** **2. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Matters, Pending and Prospective Litigation, Contractual Matters, 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, and to Consult with Legal Counsel – Crow Peak Conference Room**
- 5:30 P.M.** **Reception – The Joy Center, 1351 Saint Joe Street**

Thursday, July 23, 2026

- 8:00 A.M.** **Breakfast – Regents, BOR Staff – Crow Peak Conference Room**
- 9:00 A.M.** **3. Regents Reconvene – Student Union, Jacket Legacy Room**
- A. Report and Actions of Executive Session
 - B. Welcome and Presentation by BHSU President Steve Elliott

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- C. Student Organization Awards
 - 1) Black Hills State University
 - 2) South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- D. Faculty Recognition Awards
 - 1) Black Hills State University
 - 2) South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- E. Reports from Individual Presidents
- F. Reports on Individual Regent Activities
- G. Report of the Executive Director
- H. Report from the Student Federation
- I. Report from BHSU Student Senate

4. Public Comment Period

5. FY28 Budget Requests

6. Consent Agenda

Academic and Student Affairs

- A. Graduation Lists
- B. Revisions to BOR Policies 4.4.5 and 4.3.1 (Second Reading)
- C. New Program Requests
 - 1) BHSU – BS in Criminal Justice
 - 2) BHSU – AS in Early Childhood Education
 - 3) BHSU – AS in Education
 - 4) BHSU – MS in STEM Education
 - 5) DSU – BS in Financial Technology
- D. New Specialization Requests
 - 1) NSU – Career & Technical Education and Secondary Education Specializations – MEd in Educational Studies
 - 2) NSU – Health Education and Health Promotion Specializations – BS in Health Education & Promotion
 - 3) SDSMT – Sustainable Engineering Specialization – MS in Civil & Environmental Engineering
 - 4) SDSMT – Computational Physics, Engineering Physics, Medical Physics, and Quantum Information Specializations – BS in Physics
- E. New Certificate Requests
 - 1) BHSU – American Indian Studies (Undergraduate)
 - 2) DSU – AI for National Security Intelligence (Graduate)
 - 3) DSU – Artificial Intelligence (Graduate)
- F. New Site Requests
 - 1) SDSMT – PhD in Geology, Geological Engineering & Mining Engineering – Mining Engineering Specialization (Online)
 - 2) SDSU – MS in Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences – Fisheries Sciences and Wildlife Specializations & PhD in Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences (West River Research and Extension Center)

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- 3) SDSU – MS & PhD in Animal Science (West River Research and Extension Center)
- 4) SDSU – MS & PhD in Biological Sciences – Natural Resource Management Specialization (West River Research and Extension Center)
- 5) SDSU – PhD in Biological Sciences- Plant Molecular Biology Specialization (West River Research and Extension Center)
- 6) SDSU – PhD in Biological Sciences- Plant Science Specialization (West River Research and Extension Center)
- 7) SDSU – MS & PhD in Plant Science (West River Research and Extension Center)
- G. Inactive Status and Program Termination Requests – NSU, SDSU, & USD
- H. Articulation Agreements
 - 1) Dakota State University
 - 2) University of South Dakota
- I. Agreements on Academic Cooperation
 - 1) South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- J. Other Agreements
 - 1) USD Law School Admission MOUs
 - 2) USD & Southeast Tech Consortium Agreement MOU

Budget and Finance

- K. Maintenance & Repair (M&R) Projects (Greater than \$250,000)
- L. SDSU Extension Lease Authorization – Schlaht Properties (Aberdeen)
- M. SDSU Extension Lease Authorization – East River Company LLC (Mitchell)
- N. SDSU Agricultural Experiment Station Lease Authorization – Dakota Lakes Research Farm Corporation
- O. SDSU-SD Dept of Public Safety – Prescribed Fire Training Joint Powers Agreement
- P. DSU and DSU Foundation Operating Agreement

Routine Informational Items – No Board Action Necessary

- Q. Interim Actions of the Executive Director
- R. Program Review Reports
- S. Capital Projects List
- T. Building Committee Report
- U. Audit Committee Report
- V. FY27 Operating Budgets
- W. Intent to Plan Requests

7. Academic and Student Affairs

- A. Revisions to BOR Policy 2.3.2 New Programs, Program Changes, and Termination of Programs (Second Reading)
- B. Repeal BOR Policy 2.1.2 and 2.1.3, and Replace with New BOR Policy 2.1.2 (First Reading)

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- C. New BOR Policy 7.9 (First and Final Reading)
- D. New Program Requests
 - 1) DSU – PhD in Artificial Intelligence
 - 2) SDSU – BS, MS, & PhD in Artificial Intelligence Engineering
- E. SDM Center for Education Innovation / Revised BOR Policy 1.2.4

8. Budget and Finance

- A. Research Parks
 - 1) Research Park Report – SDSU
 - 2) Dakota BioWorx Annual Member Meeting
 - 3) USD Discovery District Annual Meeting
- B. Revisions to BOR Policy 5.5 (First and Final Reading)
- C. SDSU Computing Center Preliminary Facility Statement (PFS)
- D. USD – Sanford School of Medicine (SSOM) Relocation
- E. Annual Review of South Dakota Open Meetings Laws

1:00 P.M.

Adjourn

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