State Board of Finance Meeting
May 20, 2008

Following are the minutes of the regular meeting of the State Board of Finance held May 20, 2008, in the Secretary of State’s Conference Room in the Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota.

Board members present: Rodger Leonard, Office of the Governor; Teresa Bray, Office of the Secretary of State; Jennifer Toscana, Office of School and Public Lands; Jeff Hallem, Office of the Attorney General; Colin Keeler, Office of Finance and Management; Sandy Tillman, Office of the State Treasurer; Dennis Keith, Office of the State Auditor; and Judy Larson, Office of the Secretary of State.

Chair Leonard opened the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

Keith moved and Keeler seconded to approve the minutes from the April 15, 2008, regular meeting. The motion passed.

Keith moved and Toscana seconded to approve the household moving allowance requests for the State Transfers. The motion passed.

1) Nick Fleury – Conservation Officer/GFP – $33,404.80 – Wagner to Watertown – May 2008


Toscana moved and Keith seconded to approve the household moving allowance requests for the Professional Recruitments, with the exception of number 19, Rachel Dozier-Ezell. The motion passed.


2) Christopher M. Longhery – Wildlife Biologist/GFP – $35,400.00 – Carver, MN to Chamberlain – April 2008

3) Dwight Hansen – Major Gifts, Campaign Officer/BHSU – $73,500.00 – Vermillion to Spearfish – April 2008

4) Damon R. Fick – Assistant Professor/SDSM&T – $58,000.00 – Lafayette, IN to Rapid City – July/August 2008

5) Siva Kumar V. Kelekanjeri G. – Research Scientist, Engineer/SDSM&T – $65,000.00 – Atlanta, GA to Rapid City – May 2008

6) Ziliang Zong – Assistant Professor/SDSM&T – $68,000.00 – Auburn, AL to Rapid City – July/August 2008
7) Michael Birgen – Director of Alumni Relations/NSU – $83,500.00 – Gilbert, AZ to Aberdeen – June 2008

8) Donald Lee Bailey – Assistant Football Coach/SDSU – $42,000.00 – Wendell, ID to Brookings – April 2008


10) Nicole B. Lounsbery – Grant Proposal Specialist/SDSU – $47,000.00 – Flandreau to Brookings – May/June 2008


12) Jeffrey Bayla – Associate Vice President, Enrollment and Student Services/USD – $103,500.00 – San Antonio, FL to Vermillion – March 2008

13) Young A.E. Kim – Assistant Professor of Art/USD – $50,000.00 – Savannah, GA to Vermillion – August 2008

14) Allison Kruger – Assistant Coach, Women’s Basketball, Instructor/USD – $40,000.00 – Wayne NE to Vermillion – June 2008

15) Imeida Lowe – Assistant Professor/USD – $53,000.00 – Pocatello, ID to Vermillion – May/June 2008

16) Julie Schlarman – Assistant Professor – $50,000.00 – Des Moines, IA to Vermillion – August 2008

17) Gordon A. Shaw – Assistant Coach, Football/USD – $57,000.00 – Maple Grove, MN to Vermillion – March and May 2008

18) Ryan Williams – Head Coach, Women’s Basketball, Instructor/USD – $80,000.00 – Wayne, NE to Vermillion – May/June 2008

19) Rachel Dozier-Ezell – Instructor of Costume Design/USD – $18,000.00 for Fall Semester – Urbana, IL to Vermillion – August 2008

With regards to the Household Moving Allowance Request for Rachel Dozier-Ezell, Hallem noted that Administrative Rule 5:01:07:10 states, “When an employee leaves the employ of the state within six months following a move, the employee shall repay the state the cost of the move paid by the state unless the employee was unable to continue due to illness or injury or was dismissed.” In that the request indicates this individual was hired only for the fall semester and would be employed less than six months, it was Hallem’s opinion that she would not be eligible for this benefit, as anything paid would have to be reimbursed. Hallem moved and Bray seconded that the Household Moving Allowance Request be denied. The motion carried.

The Department of Game, Fish and Parks submitted a revised Household Moving Allowance Request for Casey Dowler, requesting reconsideration for payment of the additional moving expenses from Lee’s Summit, MO to Webster, SD. The original request was approved in December 2007 for moving expenses
from Volga to Webster. The additional request for expenses from Lee’s Summit, MO to Webster had been denied by the State Auditor’s Office. Hallem moved and Keeler seconded that consideration of the revised request be deferred until further information from the State Auditor’s Office was obtained as to why the second request was denied. The motion carried.

Hallem moved and Toscana seconded to approve the debt write-off submitted from the Department of Corrections for $377,127.77. The motion carried.

Keeler moved and Keith seconded to approve the debt write-off submitted from the Department of Social Services for 394.81. The motion carried.

Bray moved and Tillman seconded to approve the debt write-off submitted from Dakota State University for $641.76. The motion carried.

Keeler moved and Toscana seconded to deny the debt write-off submitted from Dakota State University for $583.66, in that the statutory requirement for a write off is that the debt must be two years old. The motion carried.

Bray moved and Tillman seconded to approve the debt write-off submitted from Northern State University for $2,345.70. The motion carried.

Hallem moved and Keith seconded to approve the debt write-off submitted from University of South Dakota for $44,493.63.

A special request to the Board of Finance was received from Damian Lonsdale, University of South Dakota regarding travel reimbursement that included student expenses. Hallem noted that the South Dakota Codified Laws and Administrative Rules governing the Board of Finance covers employees only and does not include students. Hallem moved and Bray seconded to refer Lonsdale to the local university regarding payment or the Board of Reagents for guidance on how to resolve the matter. The motion carried.

Keeler moved and Toscana seconded to adjourn at 2:32 p.m. The motion passed.

Chris Nelson  
Secretary of State  
On behalf of the Board of Finance