

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Board Strategic Plan Revision - Values Statement
Date: April 10, 2000

Recommended Action:

Approve the proposed revision to the Values Statement in the Board of Regents Strategic Plan.

Executive Summary:

Last month a proposed change in the Board of Regents Values Statement was reviewed and deferred pending input from members of the Board. Regents have provided suggestions, which are incorporated in the proposed revision appearing below. This revision is the result of Board discussion last December concerning the importance of linkages between the Board and the Regent institutions as well as between and among the Regent institutions. Efforts have been underway to address this interest of the Board and to seek ways of strengthening the linkages. While these efforts are continuing, a work group has proposed a change in the Board's "Values Statement" to address the Board's interest in linkages. The change noted below modifies the last sentence of the "Values Statement." The new elements are underscored and the deleted items are lined out.

VALUES STATEMENT

The values nurtured by the Board of Regents flow from the trust bestowed by the people of Iowa and the Board's educational mission. The Board values learning, knowledge, access, and public service. The Board values academic freedom, and in every endeavor upholds the value of uncompromised integrity, conforming to the highest standards of ethics, honesty, trust, fairness, civility, and compassion.

The Board values quality and pursuit of excellence in a diverse educational community. The Board embraces the value of dedication to educational and public service of the highest standard. The Board values stewardship, accountability, and its linkages with the Regent institutions and the synergies gained from communication links among the institutions themselves.

Robert J. Barak

Approved:

Frank J. Stork