BOARD MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Regents, State of Iowa

FROM: Diana Gonzalez

DATE: June 1, 2005

SUBJ: Report of the Education and Student Affairs Committee

Recommended Actions:

- 1. Receive the report and consider recommendations of the Education and Student Affairs Committee.
- 2. The Committee recommends that the Board approve the renewal of the education services agreement with the Nebraska Department of Education for FY 2006; the renewal of the Nebraska Summer School Agreement for the summer school program of 2005; and the notification of the Board's intent to renew each agreement with the Nebraska Department of Education for FY 2007, pursuant to the provisions of the agreements.

Executive Summary:

EDU 1 Minutes The Education and Student Affairs Committee will voted to accept the minutes of the Committee's March 14, 2005 meeting without change.

EDU 2 Consent Agenda The Committee approved the consent agenda items, including the Distance Education Strategic Plan; the request to create a department of cardiothoracic surgery at the University of Iowa; the request for program name changes and department name change in the College of Education at the University of Iowa; the request for a Bachelor of Applied Studies at the University of Iowa; the request for a Master of Arts in Education Program and an Undergraduate Minor for Teachers of Students with Visual Impairments/Special Education at the University of Northern Iowa; Title IIA proposal; informational report on collaborative activities; Iowa School for the Deaf – Nebraska contract; and the request for approval of the University of Iowa academic year and summer session calendars for 2009-2010.

EDU 3 Committee Work Plan

The Committee approved the Education and Student Affairs Committee work plan for 2005-06.

EDU 4 Best Practices in Student Retention Strategies

The Committee received the report on best practices in student retention strategies at the Regent universities. The wide array of retention strategies implemented by the Regent universities is a reflection of their institutional strategic plans and performance indicators.

EDU 5 Biennial Faculty Activities Report

The Committee received the biennial report on faculty activities at the Regent universities. This report reflects the new, revised format which addresses a set of common questions about faculty efforts.

EDU 6 IBSSS Task Force Report and Recommendations

The Committee approved the IBSSS Task Force's recommendations and directed Interim Superintendent Jeananne Hagen Schild to work with the Board Office to develop an implementation plan relative to the Task Force recommendation for presentation at the September 2005 Education and Student Affairs Committee and to develop a status report on implementation activities for presentation at the December 2005 Education and Student Affairs Committee.

EDU 7 Memorandum of Understanding with VRS and IDOB

The Committee approved the memorandum of understanding with Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services and the Iowa Department for the Blind.

EDU 8 Consider Adoption of Amendments

The Committee approved the adoption of amendments to administrative rules on uniform person conduct.

EDU 9 Common Principles for Recruitment of Student Athletes

The Committee received the report on the common principles for recruitment of prospective students-athletes and common recruitment philosophy. These documents were collaboratively developed by the three universities.