AGENDA ITEM: 5.3 MEETING DATE: JANUARY 12, 2022

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGES CHANCELLOR INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

INFORMATION ONLY: Waiver of ACT/SAT Scores for Board of Trustee Scholarships

COVID-19 and the corresponding cancellations of ACT and SAT testing dates continues to impact the ability for students to meet minimum requirements set forth in Board Policy 3400 for the Board of Trustees' Scholarships for the upcoming 2022-23 academic year. In Board Item 2.4 approved at the June 2020 Board meeting, the Board granted the Chancellor the authority to temporarily grant exceptions to and/or temporarily waive Board of Trustees Policy requirements in response to the COVID-19 emergency. On November 12, 2020, the Chancellor temporarily waived the ACT/SAT requirements set forth in Board Policy 3400 pursuant to that authority.

Pursuant to the June 2020 authority granted by the Board and in consultation with the Student Affairs, Marketing and Enrollment Committee, in order to ensure the ACT/SAT scores do not prevent otherwise qualified student from being eligible for the Board of Trustees' Scholarship for the 2022-23 academic year, the Chancellor is extending the temporary waiver of the minimum ACT/SAT requirements set forth in Board Policy 3400. Rather, the Colleges may draw upon student GPA and class rank (if available) to demonstrate academic excellence and potential consistent with the significance and expectations of the scholarship.

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