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Finding Aid

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## **Collection Summary**

Identifier

UA 50.11

Title

Higher Education Faculty Association, SDSU Branch Records

Creator

Higher Education Faculty Association, SDSU Branch, South Dakota State University

Dates

1971-1977

Extent

0.21 linear feet -- 1 small document case

Language

English

Repository

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#### Abstract

The Higher Education Faculty Association was the predecessor to the Council of Higher Education which is the collective bargaining unit for the purpose of collective bargaining in respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment, grievance procedures and other conditions of employment. This collection is composed of correspondence, lobbying information, minutes, newsletters, a synopsis of activities, and miscellaneous items generated by the South Dakota State University branch of this association.

### **Historical Note**

The South Dakota Higher Education Association [HEFA] was established on March 27, 1971 by forty-five faculty members from five state supported educational institutions. This group was frustrated by low salaries; discouraged by the state Supreme Court ruling regarding their right of due process in matters of dispute with administrative officers; and foiled in their attempt to communicate effectively with the Board of Regents on matters traditionally considered to be within the realm of faculty prerogatives. As stated in their constitution, the purpose of the organization would be to enable the faculties of the state colleges and universities of South Dakota to speak with a common voice on matters pertaining to them and to present their individual and common interests before such bodies that may influence their welfare. The goal of the majority of the delegates was more open lines of communication between faculty and all levels of administration.

By 1976, the South Dakota State University HEFA Branch reorganized slightly to include more members. It also joined with faculty organizations at other state institutions to become a part of the South Dakota Faculty Coalition, a more inclusive group than the statewide HEFA. In 1977, HEFA gave up its long fight to be named the collective bargaining unit for higher

education faculty and endorsed the Council of Higher Education-National Education Association in becoming that unit. Apparently as a result of that action, HEFA ceased to exist after 1978.

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## **Key Words**

Collective bargaining -- College teachers -- South Dakota

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#### **Administrative Information**

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1	3	Bulletin	undated
1	4	Correspondence	1971-1976
1	5	Lobbying	undated
1	6	Minutes	1973-1974
1	7	Newsletter	1972-1973, 1976-1977
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1	9	Synopsis of activities	1971-1973