

**North Dakota Board of Higher Education**  
February 25, 2020, Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education met on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, at 9:00 a.m CT., via conference call, originating from State Capitol, NDUS Office conf. room (10<sup>th</sup> floor), 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND, 58505.

Vice Chair Ryan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. CT.

SBHE Members participating:

Dr. Casey Ryan, Vice Chair	
Mr. Kaleb Dschaak	Mr. Tim Mihalick
Ms. Kathleen Neseť	Ms. Jill Louters
Mr. Don Morton	Ms. Retha Mattern, Staff Adviser
Dr. Debora Dragseth, Faculty Adviser	

Chancellor present: Dr. Mark Hagerott

Institution Representatives Present:

Dr. Brian Van Horn, President, MaSU  
Dr. Alan LaFave, President, VCSU  
Dr. Steve Shirley, President, MiSU  
Dr. John Miller, President, WSC  
Dr. Jerry Migler, Dean, DCB  
Dr. Doug Darling, President, LRSC  
Dr. John Richman, President, NDSCS  
Dr. Dean Bresciani, President, NDSU  
Dr. Larry C. Skogen, President, BSC  
Mr. Dan Leingang, BSC  
Mr. Stephen Easton, DSU  
Dr. Joshua Wynne, UND

NDUS Senior Staff Participating:

Mr. Tammy Dolan, Vice Chancellor for Admin/CFO  
Ms. Lisa Johnson, VC of Academic and Student Affairs  
Mr. Darin King, VC of IT/CIO  
Ms. Terry Meyer, Chief of Staff  
Ms. Billie Jo Lorus, Director of Communication/Media Relations  
Mr. Phil Wisecup, VC Strategic Engagement  
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, Executive Assistant to the State Board of Higher Education

Others Participating:

Mr. Eric Olson, Attorney General's Office

1. **Agenda**

Mihalick moved, Morton seconded, to approve the agenda.

Louters, Neseť, Morton, Dschaak, Mihalick, and Ryan voted yes.

**Board Consent Agenda** (items 2 -6)

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SBHE Budget and Finance Committee:

3. VCSU, acting through its affiliated foundation, to proceed with a [\\$25 million fundraising](#) campaign for capital projects and scholarships
4. [DSU to proceed with fundraising and construction of a new softball field](#) with an estimated cost of \$913,000, and further request authorization to seek approval from the interim legislative Budget Section
5. Minot State University, acting through its affiliated foundation, to proceed with a \$40 million [fundraising campaign](#) for capital projects, program enhancements and scholarships.

SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee:

6. NDSU [Tenure](#) Request

Mihalick moved, Morton seconded, to approve the consent agenda, items 2 – 6.

Morton, Louters, Neset, Dschaak, Mihalick, and Ryan voted yes.

7. **BSC Building Name**

The Board discussed the request for BSC to name the BSC Health Science Building the Donna S. Thigpen Center for Health Sciences. It was recommended for approval by the SBHE Budget and Finance Committee; however, Board members have since received further information and discussed allowing more time to review.

\* Mihalick moved, Morton seconded, to approve BSC to name the BSC Health Science Building the Donna S. Thigpen Center for Health Sciences.

Neset moved to table BSC request to name the BSC Health Science Building the Donna S. Thigpen Center for Health Sciences to allow more time to review information. No second was made – motion failed.

\* Roll call on original motion:

Morton, Louters, Dschaak, Mihalick, and Ryan voted yes. Neset voted no.

8. **Waive 1<sup>st</sup> reading, Approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and Final Adoption:**

[Delete:](#)

- a. Policy 101 Table of Contents (DELETE) reviewed by Ms. Karol Riedman.
- b. Policy 104 Distribution of Manual (DELETE) reviewed by Ms. Karol Riedman.

Louters moved, Mihalick seconded, to approve waiving 1<sup>st</sup> read, approve 2<sup>nd</sup> read and final adoption of deletion of policies 101 and 104.

Louters, Neset, Morton, Dschaak, Mihalick, and Ryan voted yes.

[Re-affirm:](#)

- c. Policy 701.1 Leave Without Pay (RE-AFFIRM) reviewed by Ms. Jane Grinde.
- d. Policy 608.3 Professional Staff Compensation (RE-AFFIRM) reviewed by Ms. Jane Grinde.
- e. Policy 702.4 Campus Administration of Salary Increase Funds (RE-AFFIRM) reviewed by Ms. Jane Grinde.
- f. Policy 703.2 Benefits (RE-AFFIRM) reviewed by Ms. Jane Grinde.

Mihalick moved, Dschaak seconded, to approve waiving 1<sup>st</sup> read, approve 2<sup>nd</sup> read and final adoption to re-affirm policies 701.1, 608.3, 702.4, and 703.2.

Neset, Dschaak, Morton, Louters, Mihalick, and Ryan voted yes.

New/Temporary:

- g. [Policy 515](#) ND Student Association as (temporary) policy was reviewed by Ms. Lisa Johnson.

Louters moved, Dschaak seconded, to approve waiving 1<sup>st</sup> read, approve 2<sup>nd</sup> read and final adoption of the new and temporary policy 515.

Neset, Dschaak, Mihalick, Morton, Louters, and Ryan voted yes.

Amend:

- h. [Policy 601.1](#) Presidential Searches reviewed by Mr. Eric Olson.

Mihalick moved, Morton seconded, to approve waiving 1<sup>st</sup> read, approve 2<sup>nd</sup> read and final adoption to amend policy 601.1.

Morton, Dschaak, Louters, Mihalick, and Ryan voted yes. Neset voted no.

Motion passed.

#### 9. **1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Policy 340.2 Nonprofit Affiliates**

Ms. Robin Putnam reviewed proposed amendments to [policy 340.2](#).

Louters moved, Dschaak seconded, to approve 1<sup>st</sup> reading of policy 340.2.

Neset, Dschaak, Mihalick, Morton, Louters, and Ryan voted yes.

#### 10. **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Policies:**

- a. Policy [805.3](#) Fees reviewed by Ms. Tammy Dolan.
- b. Policy [820](#) Waivers and Tuition Assistance reviewed by Ms. Tammy Dolan.

Louters moved, Dschaak seconded, to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> read and final adoption of policies 805.3 and 820.

Morton, Louters, Mihalick, Neset, Dschaak, and Ryan voted yes.

### **Board Reports and Discussion**

Committee Chairs provided an update on the committee's work:

- 11. SBHE Audit Committee - No February meeting took place, no report.
- 12. SBHE Academic and Student Affairs was provided by Ms. Jill Louters.
- 13. SBHE Research was provided by Dr. Casey Ryan.
- 14. SBHE Governance was provided by Mr. Don Morton.
- 15. SBHE Budget and Finance Committee was provided by Mr. Tim Mihalick.

### **Chancellor Report**

Chancellor Hagerott and NDUS representatives provided an update on the following:

- 16. Legacy Fund Earnings Committee

17. Higher Education Committee
18. BSC Presidential Search
19. DSU Permanent Presidency
20. IT Update by Mr. Darin King.
21. Strategic Planning Update by Mr. Phil Wisecup.
22. Dakota Digital Academy by President Darling.
23. Math Pathways by Dean Migler and President LaFave.

**Other Reports:**

24. NDSA report was provided by Mr. Kaleb Dschaak.
25. [CCF](#) report was provided by Dr. Debora Dragseth.
26. [Staff Senate](#) report was provided by Ms. Retha Mattern.
27. Public Comment – no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. CT.

Approved March 26, 2020.