

North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

June 26, 2020, Budget and Finance Committee Special Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education Budget and Finance Committee met Friday, June 26, 2020, at 7:30 a.m. CT, via conference call originated from the 10th floor of the State Capitol, NDUS Conference Room, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND.

Chair Mihalick called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. CT.

SBHE Budget and Finance Committee members participating:

Mr. Tim Mihalick, Chair
Dr. Casey Ryan
Ms. Danita Bye
Ms. Retha Mattern, non-voting advisor

Other participants:

Chancellor Hagerott
Ms. Robin Putnam, NDUS
Ms. Joann Kitchens, LRSC
President Van Horn, MaSU
Mr. Westley Wintch, VCSU
President LaFave, VCSU
Mr. Dennis Gladden, NDSCS
President Shirley, MiSU
Ms. Becky Collins, BSC
Mr. Steven Benson, MaSU
Mr. Gary Wawers, NDSU
Mr. Dennis Gladden, NDSCS
President Miller, WSC
Ms. Lisa Johnson, NDUS
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, NDUS
Mr. Mike Pieper, UND
Ms. Terry Meyer, NDUS
President Van Horn, MaSU
President Easton, DSU
Ms. Loretta Forsberg, NDSU Forest Svc
Ms. Erin Maslowski, NDUS
Mr. Darin King, NDUS

President Bresciani, NDSU
Mr. Cory Kenner, LRSC
Ms. Maryann Olson, NDUS
Mr. Rick Tonder, NDUS
Mr. Brent Winiger, MiSU
President Richman, NDSCS
Mr. Keith Johnson, NDSCS
Mr. Bruce Bollinger, NDSU
Ms. Karla Stewart, UND
Mr. Jed Shivers, UND
Ms. Erica Buccholtz, VCSU
Mr. Riley Yadon, WSC
Ms. Gracie Lian, NDSA/UND
Ms. Laura Nelson, DSU
President Armacost, UND
Ms. Lisa Mock, DCB
Mr. David Krebsbach, NDUS
President Darling, LRSC
Ms. Cindy Rott, UND
Ms. Robin Putnam, NDUS
Ms. Krista Lambrecht, NDUS
Mr. Eric Olson, AG Office

1. UND Nistler Hall

UND Request authorization to proceed with construction of Nistler Hall, the [Nistler College of Business](#) & Public Administration building, pending certification of local match funding to OMB and the ND Industrial Commission.

Mr. Pieper explained the request is administrative only, authorizing cortication to proceed with the project. The 65th Legislative Assembly approved UND's request to fundraise \$70M to replace Gamble Hall. The 66th Legislative Assembly appropriated \$20M towards the project. Bonding for

Nistler Hall (Gamble Hall replacement) requires certification of local match funding prior to proceeding with NDBA bonding.

The committee members confirmed there is no additional money requested and/or associated with this request.

2. **UND Memorial Stadium**

Authorize UND to proceed with demolition and associated site restoration of [Memorial Stadium](#) (with an insurable value over \$250,000).

Committee members requested that UND representatives keep the community well informed of the scope and intent of this project and that no additional funds are associated with the request.

Ryan moved, Bye seconded, to recommend approval requests for Nistler Hall and Memorial Stadium, items 1 and 2.

Bye, Ryan, and Mihalick voted yes.

3. **2021-2023 Budget Request**

Ms. Tammy Dolan and Mr. David Krebsbach reviewed the operational and capital budget requests. The committee requested a historical overview of the significant reductions from the past two biennial budget requests to the current. Ms. Dolan provided a brief overview on staff reductions in the system office and will send the current committee members some additional historical documentation.

a. [Operational Funding Request](#)

Ryan moved, Bye seconded, to recommend forwarding both the Governor's and needs based budgets to the full Board for consideration.

Ryan, Bye, and Mihalick voted yet.

The committee discussed the capital fund requests and asked that the system office further reduce the capital requests by prioritizing the current projects with an overall ranking, taking into consideration deferred maintenance, life safety issues, and funding sources. The members agreed the amended capital project list will go directly to the Board for their consideration.

b. [Capital Funding Request](#)

4. **COVID-19**

Ms. Tammy Dolan provided an update on the State's [Coronavirus](#) Relief Fund.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m. CT.

Approved September 15, 2020.