

North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

August 12, 2020, Research and Governance Committee Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education Governance Committee met Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 3:15 p.m. CT., via conference call, originated from the Capitol, 10th floor NDUSO Conference room, 600 E. Blvd. Ave., Bismarck, ND, 58505.

Chair Ryan called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m. CT.

SBHE Research Committee members participating:

Dr. Casey Ryan, Chair
Ms. Kathleen Neset
Ms. Danita Bye

NDUS staff participating:

Chancellor Mark Hagerott, NDUS
Mr. Ryan Jockers, NDUS
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, NDUS
Ms. Lisa Johnson, NDUS
Ms. Tammy Dolan, NDUS
Mr. Jerry Rostad, NDUS
Ms. Terry Meyer, NDUS
Ms. Karol Riedman, NDUS

Others Participating:

Mr. Steve Burian
Mr. Bryan Nermoe
Mr. Mark Nisbet
Mr. Jim Galloway
Mr. Levi Andrist
Mr. Delore Zimmerman
President Armacost, UND
President Bresciani, NDSU
Dr. John Mihelich, UND
Dr. Jane Schuh, NDSU
Dr. Molly Secor-Turner, NDSU
Dr. David DeMuth, VCSU
Dr. Elizabeth Legerski, Council of College Faculties
Mr. Eric Olson, AG Office

1. **Agenda**

Neset moved, Bye seconded, to approve the agenda.

Bye, Neseť, and Ryan voted yes.

2. **Meeting Minutes**

Bye moved, Neseť seconded, to approve the June 10, 2020, Meeting Minutes.

Neset, Bye, and Ryan voted yes.

3. **Research Proposal Discussion**

The committee discussed the [Research Proposal](#) and next steps, including, but not limited to the following:

- The research proposal is a fluid/working document that will be adjusted as needed
- The role of committee is to be supportive and guiding, not necessarily leading
- Legislation and funding for research initiative(s) and how to allocate funds
- North Dakota and its widely divergent communities
- The need to include statewide partnerships
- Working with the Greater North Dakota Chamber
- Collaboration in research with technology and business innovators, including private sector
- Research being a statewide initiative and the importance of working/partnering with businesses and communities from the west
- Stimulate additional external research funding over time

Following a thorough discussion, the committee requested the Chancellor reach out to the leadership at Greater North Dakota Chamber, Co-Chairs of Valley Prosperity, President Bresciani, and President Armacost, work collaboratively with the Chancellor to develop a plan on outreach/partnerships with GNDC and others in the state to strengthen the proposal. Presidents Bresciani and Armacost work together on a recommendation for the monies to be included in the proposal. Mr. Andrist will forward the documentation regarding business coalition, as discussed.

4. **Committee Membership/Participation and Meeting Logistics**

Dr. Ryan indicated the committee meetings will be moved to approximately the third week of each month at 3:15, with exception of November, Ms. Hetzler will reach out to members on alternate times that will work.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. CT.

Approved September 16, 2020.