

**North Dakota State Board of Higher Education
Academic and Student Affairs Committee**
February 16, 2021, Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education Academic and Student Affairs Committee met on February 16th at 11:00 a.m. CT, via Teams/conf. call.

Chair Louters called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. CT.

SBHE Committee on Academic and Student Affairs members present:

Dr. Jill Louters (Chair)
Ms. Erica Solberg
Dr. John Warford
Dr. Elizabeth Legerski, SBHE Faculty Advisor

Campus Representatives: **DCB** – Larry Brooks, **NDSU** – Margaret Fitzgerald and Laura Oster-Aaland, **DSU** – Deb Dragseth, **UND**-Debbie Storrs, **NDSU** – Harvey Link, **BSC** – Dan Leingang,

Others present: **NDUS** – Lisa Johnson, Claire Gunwall, Terry Meyer, Kristie Hetzler, Karol Riedman, Katie Fitzsimmons, Ryan Jockers, **AG Office**-Eric Olson.

1. **Agenda**

Amend agenda to list Dickinson State University.

2. **Meeting Minutes**

Solberg moved, Warford seconded, to approve the agenda as amended and the January 19, 2021, Meeting Minutes.

Solberg, Warford, and Louters voted yes.

3. **Termination(s)** (final authorization at SBHE ASAC):

- Dickinson State University:
- a. DSU – B.S. in Accounting
 - b. DSU – B.S. in International Business

Solberg moved, Warford seconded, to approve [program terminations](#) from DSU, items 3 a and b.

Warford, Solberg, and Warford voted yes.

4. **New Program(s)** (final authorization at SBHE ASAC):

- Bismarck State College
- a. BSC - A.A.S. in Industrial Automation
 - b. BSC - UG Certificate in Computer Networking
 - c. BSC - UG Certificate in Modern Computing Technologies
 - d. BSC - UG Certificate in Offensive and Defensive Security
 - e. BSC - UG Certificate in Secure Programming
 - f. BSC - UG Certificate in Security and Hacking

5. Lake Region State College:
 - a. LRSC - UG Certificate in Computer Networking
 - b. LRSC - UG Certificate in Cyber Security
 - c. LRSC - UG Certificate in Liberal Arts
 - d. LRSC - UG Certificate in Web Design

Warford moved, Solberg seconded, to approve [new programs](#) from BSC and LRSC, items 4 (a – f), and 5 (a – d).

Solberg, Warford, and Louters voted yes.

6. **Policy 403.1, Academic Program Requests**

Solberg moved, Warford seconded, to recommend approval to [amend Policy 403.1](#), Academic Program Requests.

Warford, Solberg, and Warford voted yes

7. **Test Optional - Standardized Examinations**

The committee members discussed the following in regard to standardized exams:

- [SBHE Policies 402.1, 402.1.1 and 402.2](#)
- Waiver implemented through 2023
- National movement in this direction
- Not unanimous vote of support from NDUS council(s)
- Next steps to ensure compliance and collaboration through NDUS system:
 - Composition/perimeters of study/Perimeters be completed by system office.
 - Analysis done by each institution.
 - Determine stake holders input.

8. **Report – North Dakota Student Wellness and Perception Survey**

Ms. Katie Fitzsimmons reviewed the [North Dakota Student Wellness and Perception Survey](#).

The meeting adjourned at 12:105 p.m. CT.

Approved March 16, 2021.