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:  
- DCS – Larry Brooks,  
- NDSU – Margaret Fitzgerald and Laura Oster-Aaland,  
- DSU – Deb Dragseth,  
- UND – Debbie Storns,  
- NDSCS – Harvey Link,  
- BSC – Dan Leingang,


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.