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North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

June 16, 2021, Research and Governance Committee Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education Research and Governance Committee met on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at 3:15 p.m. CT, via teams and/or conference call.

Committee Chair Ryan called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. CT.

SBHE Research Committee members participating:

Dr. Casey Ryan, Chair
Ms. Kathleen Neset
Ms. Danita Bye
Dr. Elizabeth Legerski (Faculty Adviser)

NDUS staff participating:

Chancellor Mark Hagerott, NDUS
Mr. Darin King, CTS
Ms. Lisa Johnson, NDUS
Ms. Karol Riedman, NDUS
Ms. Dina Cashman, NDUS
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, NDUS
Ms. Tammy Dolan, NDUS
Mr. Jerry Rostad, NDUS
Ms. Terry Meyer, NDUS

Others Participating:

President Armacost, UND
President Bresciani, NDSU
President Shirley, MiSU
President Van Horn, MaSU
President Easton, DSU
President Bresciani, NDSU
Dr. John Mihelich, UND
Dr. Jane Schuh, NDSU
Dr. David DeMuth, VCSU
Mr. Eric Olson, AG Office

1. **Agenda**

Chair Ryan requested item 3 be removed from agenda, LIFT representative(s) are unable to participate.

And;

2. **Meeting Minutes:**

- April 21, 2021
- May 19, 2021

Bye moved, Neset seconded, to approve the amended agenda and the April 21 and May 19, 2021, meeting minutes as presented.

Bye, Neset, and Ryan voted yes.

Removed:

~~Research Item (3:15 – 3:35 p.m. CT.)~~

~~3. LIFT Program Discussion – Dr. James Leiman, Commerce Commissioner~~

GOVERNANCE ITEMS:

4. **Chancellor's Renewal Contract**

Legal Counsel, Mr. Eric Olson gave an overview of the [proposed Chancellor's Renewal Contract](#). The committee discussed the various components and concluded that tenure is an option in a new/initial contact at the time of hire for the Chancellor position. They requested removal to grant tenure from the proposed renewal contract.

5. **SBHE Strategic Plan**

Mr. Jerry Rostad presented proposed amendments to policies 100.4 and 100.5, along with components of the amended strategic plan, as follows:

a. [Policy 100.4](#), Mission and Vision of the North Dakota University System

Neset moved, Bye seconded, to recommend approval of Policy 100.4.

Bye, Neset, and Ryan voted yes.

b. [Policy 100.5](#), Beliefs and Core Values of the State Board of Higher Education

The committee had a thorough discussion regarding possible edits/additional language to Policy 100.5.

Bye moved, Neset seconded, to move Policy 100.5 to the full Board, without a recommendation, for further discussion and/or action.

Neset, Bye, and Ryan voted yes.

c. Strategic Plan

i. [The Strategic Plan post retreat file](#) incorporates all the changes that were discussed during the retreat. It highlights and separates the minor changes from the changes that will require additional review.

ii. [The Strategic Plan Ready to Approve file](#) – shows everything that is ready for approval.

iii. [The Strategic Plan Review file](#) – shows the specific items that need to be reviewed.

The committee went through each component one by one, determined minor adjustments, concluded which components were ready for approval and/or which ones would be reviewed and worked through at a future meeting. Components one and two recommended for approval, three is recommended for approval with the option for minor edits at a future meeting (only if needed), portions of components four and five are recommended for approval with remaining portions that need additional work and reviewed at a future meeting, and the sixth component will need a larger review and work to be completed at a future meeting.

Neset moved, Bye seconded, to [recommend the following](#):

- Components one and two for approval
- Component three for approval with the option for minor edits at a future meeting (only if needed)

- Identified portions of components four and five for approval and the remaining portions of four and five for additional work and reviewed at a future meeting
- Component six to be completely reviewed, reworked, and amended at a future meeting.

Neset, Bye, and Ryan voted yes.

6. **Report on CTS Project**

Mr. Darin King gave an overview of the [Major IT Project Summary Report](#) for the period ending March 31, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m. CT.

Approved September 22, 2021.