

**North Dakota State Board of Higher Education**  
August 12, 2021, Special Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education met on Thursday, August 12, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. CT., via Teams Live originating from State Capitol, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 215, Bismarck, ND, 58505.

Chair Ryan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. CT.

SBHE Members participating:

Dr. Casey Ryan, Chair	Dr. Jill Louters, Vice Chair
Ms. Gracie Lian	Mr. Nick Hacker
Mr. Tim Mihalick	Mr. John Warford
Mr. Jeffrey Volk	Ms. Danita Bye
Ms. Retha Mattern, Staff Adviser	Dr. Elizabeth Legerski, Faculty Adviser

Chancellor present: Dr. Mark Hagerott

Institution Representatives Present:

Dr. Brian Van Horn, President, MaSU  
Dr. Bernell Hirning, President, WSC  
Dr. Jerry Migler, Dean, DCB  
Dr. Doug Darling, President, LRSC  
Dr. John Richman, President, NDSCS  
Ms. Kim Dassenko, NDSCS  
Dr. Steve Easton, President, DSU

NDUS Senior Staff Participating:

Mr. David Krebsbach, NDUS  
Ms. Jane Grinde, NDUS  
Ms. Lisa Johnson, NDUS  
Ms. Karol Riedman, NDUS  
Ms. Terry Meyer, NDUS  
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, NDUS  
Mr. Chris Erickson, NDUS

Others Participating:

Mr. Eric Olson, AG Office

1. NDSCS [Presidential Search](#)

Chancellor Hagerott stated that on July 21, 2021, Dr. John Richman, (current president of NDSCS), notified him that he plans to retire effective December 17, 2021. He recommends SBHE Member Jeffrey Volk as the Board representative on the NDSCS Presidential Search Committee. He explained he would start the process to place an Interim President at NDSCS, if needed, to fill the vacancy until the hire of a new President,

Mihalick moved, Hacker seconded, to authorize Chancellor Mark Hagerott, in consultation with North Dakota State College of Science and SBHE Leadership, to hire a consultant to assist with the search for the next president of NDSCS; further, to appoint Mr. Jeffrey Volk to serve on the search committee for the next president of NDSCS.

Hacker, Mihalick, Volk, Bye, Lian, Warford, Louters, and Ryan voted yes.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m. CT.

Approved October 28, 2021.