

**North Dakota State Board of Higher Education**

February 15, 2022, Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education Academic and Student Affairs Committee met on February 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. CT, via Teams/conference call,

Dr. Warford called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. CT.

SBHE Committee on Academic and Student Affairs members present:

Dr. John Warford (Chairing in absence of Dr. Jill Louters)

Ms. Gracie Lian

Dr. Elizabeth Legerski, SBHE Faculty Advisor

Campus Representatives: **BSC** – Dan Leingang, **DSU** – Debora Dragseth, **LRSC** – Lloyd Halvorson, **UND** – Karyn Plumm, Eric Link, **DCB** – Larry Brooks, **MISU** – Laurie Geller, **NDSCS** – Lisa Karch.

Others present: **NDUS** – Claire Gunwall, Katie Fitzsimmons, Kristie Hetzler, Terry Meyer, Chancellor Hagerott, Jerry Rostad, Karol Riedman.

1. **Agenda**

Lian moved, Warford seconded, to approve the agenda, as presented.

Lian and Warford voted yes.

2. **Meeting Minutes**

Lian moved, Warford seconded, to approve the January 18, 2022, meeting minutes, as presented.

Lian and Warford voted yes.

3. Policy [605.1](#), Academic Freedom and Tenure; Academic Appointments

Ms. Claire Gunwall reviewed proposed amendments to Policy [605.1](#), Academic Freedom and Tenure; Academic Appointments.

Lian moved, Warford seconded, to recommend approval for 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Policy 605.1.

Lian and Warford voted yes.

**New Academic Program Requests** (conclusion at SBHE ASAC)

4. [MISU](#)

a. B.S. in Professional Chemistry

5. [UND](#)

a. UG Certificate in Outdoor Education

b. B.S. in Esports

Lian moved, Warford seconded, to approve MISU and UND's new program requests, items 4a and 5 a - b.

Lian and Warford voted yes.

6. **Report on Student Feedback/Behavioral Health Needs**

Ms. Katie Fitzsimmons provided background on previous committee discussions regarding behavioral health needs on campus. In June of 2020, the campuses were asked to provide an approximate budget needed to address their needs. She explained that most campuses reported the budget needs are for staffing and space for staffing,

Committee Chair Louters will be meeting with students at an upcoming student association meeting to hear their input on what their needs are for outreach and services for students. As of now, the committee is working with the President of NDSA to identify students that are willing to share their thoughts and concerns. The NDSA meeting is scheduled for later this month; the committee noted it will be helpful to hear directly from students and will continue to focus on the needs of the students.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. CT.

Approved March 15, 2022.