

North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

January 31, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education met on Friday, January 31, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. via Teams.

Chair Mihalick called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. CT.

Roll Call

SBHE Members

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Tim Mihalick, Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Danita Bye, Vice Chair |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Kevin Black | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Casey Ryan |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Jeffrey Volk | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Curtis Biller |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Max Eriksrud | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. DJ Campbell |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Michael Linnell, Staff Advisor | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Lisa Montplaisir, Faculty Advisor |

Institutions

BSC, Interim President Sanford, Ms. Rebecca Collins, **DCB** Dean Simone, **LRSC** President Darling, Mr. Lloyd Halvorson **MaSU** President Van Horn, **MISU** President Shirley, **NDSU** President Cook, Mr. Jace Beehler, **UND** President Armacost, Mr. Peter Johnson, **VCSU** Mr. Larry Brooks.

System Office/Guests

NDUS Chancellor Hagerott, VC Lisa Johnson, VC David Krebsbach, VC Jerry Rostad, Dr. Jen Weber, Mr. Mark Gorenflo, Ms. Claire Gunwall, Ms. Fitzsimmons, Mr. Chris Pieske, Ms. Jamie Wilke, Ms. Tammy Dolan, Ms. Bethany Kadrmas, Ms. Maryann Olson, Mr. Eric Jensen, **CTS** VC Tom Danford, Mr. Corey Quirk.

Call to Order

1. Agenda

The meeting proceeded according to the established agenda.

2. Recap of Week's Activity

Ms. Dolan provided a recap of the week's legislative activity at the SBHE Meeting held on January 30, 2025.

3. Preview of Next Week's Legislative Hearings

Chris Pieske presented an overview of HB 1365 and HB 1588, which would allow firearm possession on campuses with certain conditions. Vice Chancellor Johnson then briefed SB 2330 which mandates two hours of training on human trafficking prevention for students at higher education institutions during their orientation. Finally, Vice Chancellor Johnson discussed HB 1437 which proposes the prohibition of academic tenure at two-year colleges for new hires after July 1, 2026.

4. Discussion of SBHE Legislative Priorities and Positions

Board members reviewed the SBHE stance on the specific bills that NDUS is tracking.

5. Motion to Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m. CT.

Approved February 27, 2025.