

North Dakota State Board of Higher Education
February 7, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education met on Friday, February 7, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. via Teams.

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

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 type="checkbox"/> Mr. Jeffrey Volk | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Curtis Biller |
| <input checked="" 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, **DCB** Dean Simone, **LRSC** President Darling, **MaSU** President Van Horn, **MISU** President Shirley, **NDSU** Dr. David Bertolini, **UND** President Armacost, **VCSU** President LaFave.

System Office/Guests

NDUS Chancellor Hagerott, VC Lisa Johnson, VC David Krebsbach, VC Jerry Rostad, Dr. Jen Weber, Mr. Mark Gorenflo, Ms. Claire Gunwall, Mr. Chris Pieske, Ms. Tammy Dolan, Ms. Jane Grinde, Ms. Katie Fitzsimmons, Ms. Bethany Kadrmias, Ms. Caitlin Magilke, Mr. Eric Jensen, Ms. Maryann Olson, **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. This included updates on HB 1437 and SB 2330 from VC Johnson; HB 1588 and HB 1365 from Ms. Fitzsimmons; and SB 2003 from VC Krebsbach. Ms. Fitzsimmons provided an update on the firearm bills and shared that the sponsor of HB 1365 introduced the bill with amendments, which included exempting the NDUS from the requirements. The sponsor of HB 1588 was receptive to similar amendments. Staff will continue to monitor committee work, communicate with the sponsors and committee clerk, and will update the Board.

3. Preview of Next Week's Legislative Hearings

Ms. Dolan previewed the hearings scheduled for next week for the high priority bills that NDUS is tracking: SCR 4023 and HCR 3012; and SB 2392.

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 2:29 p.m. CST.

Approved February 27, 2025.