

North Dakota Board of Higher Education

May 30, 2019, Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education met on Thursday, May 30, at 8:30 a.m. CT., at Bismarck State College, National Energy Center of Excellence, room 335, 1200 Schafer Street, Bismarck, ND 58501. The live video stream can be viewed at: <https://ndus.edu/live-stream/>

Chair Morton called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. CT.

SBHE Members participating:

Mr. Don Morton, Chair
Dr. Casey Ryan
Mr. Dan Traynor
Mr. Tim Mihalick
Mr. Andy Wakeford, Staff Adviser

Mr. Nick Hacker, Vice Chair
Ms. Ashley Thornton
Ms. Jill Louters
Ms. Kathleen Neset
Dr. Birgit Pruess, Faculty Adviser

Chancellor present: Dr. Mark Hagerott

Institution Representatives Present:

Dr. Doug Darling, President, LRSC
Dr. Jerry Migler, Dean, DCB
Dr. Tom Mitzel, President, DSU
Dr. Brian Van Horn, President, MaSU
Dr. Larry C. Skogen, President, BSC
Dr. Alan LaFave, President, VCSU
Dr. Steve Shirley, President, MiSU
Mr. Mark Kennedy, President, UND
Dr. John Miller, President, WSC
Dr. John Richman, President, NDSCS
Dr. Dean Bresciani, President, NDSU

NDUS Senior Staff Participating:

Ms. Tammy Dolan, VC of Administrative Affairs
Ms. Lisa Johnson, VC of Academic and Student Affairs
Mr. Phil Wisecup, VC Strategic Engagement
Mr. Darin King, VC of IT/CIO
Ms. Billie Jo Lorius, Director of Communications and Media Relations
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, Executive Assistant to the State Board of Higher Education
Ms. Terry Meyer, Chief of Staff
Ms. Robin Putnam, Director of Financial Reporting
Ms. Laura Schrott, Chief Audit Executive
Ms. Karol Riedman, Compliance Officer

Others Participating:

Mr. Chris Pieske, Attorney General's Office
Mr. Eric Olson, Attorney General's Office

1. **Agenda**

Hacker moved, Ryan seconded, to approve the agenda.

Ryan, Thornton, Louters, Traynor, Neseť, Hacker, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes

Board Consent (items 2 – 7)

Ryan moved, Mihalick seconded, to approve the following board consent agenda, items 2 – 7.

Traynor, Ryan, Neseť, Hacker, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

2. [April 25, 2019](#), Meeting Minutes.

SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Organizational Change(s)

3. [NDSU](#) – From College of Human Development and Education (HDE) to College of Human Sciences and Education (HSE).

4. State Authorizations:

- [Embry Riddle](#)
- [Park University](#)
- [Rasmussen](#)

SBHE Budget and Finance Committee

5. WSC requesting a [change in the residency factors](#) for contiguous states, MHEC/WUE and nonresident students.

6. NDSU requests a [change in the residency factors](#) for online.

7. MiSU requests an [appropriations line item transfer](#) from operations to capital assets.

8. **Presidential Search Process**

Chancellor Hagerott reviewed the bios of the following two candidates for UND Interim President:

- [Dr. Dennis Elbert](#)
- [Dr. Joshua Wynne](#)

He stated both candidates are qualified and outstanding candidates; he recommends Dr. Wynne as UND Interim President and Dr. Elbert as Co-chair of the UND search committee.

Ryan moved, Traynor seconded, to appoint Dr. Wynne as the Interim President of the University of North Dakota and to authorize Chancellor Hagerott to negotiate contract terms .

Hacker, Traynor, Ryan, Neseť, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

Hacker moved, Traynor seconded, SBHE Member Dr. Ryan and Dr. Dennis Elbert be appointed co-chairs of the UND Presidential search committee, that the co-chairs be instructed to assemble a committee not to exceed 11 total members, that the committee and the University of North Dakota be permitted to engage a recruiting firm, and to permit the committee to deviate from the express terms of NDUS Procedure 601.1 in establishing the committee.

Traynor, Ryan, Neseť, Hacker, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

9. **Board Nominations for Board Chair, Vice Chair, and Executive Secretary** ([Policy 310.2](#))
Mihalick moved, Neseť seconded, to nominate Nick Hacker as Board Chair.

Traynor, Ryan, Neseť, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes. Hacker abstained.

Neseť moved, Thornton seconded, to nominate Casey Ryan as Vice Chair.

Hacker, Traynor, Ryan, Neseť, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

Traynor moved, Mihalick seconded, to nominate Terry Meyer as Board Secretary.

Thornton, Hacker, Traynor, Ryan, Neseť, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

10. **NDUS Strategic Planning and Proposed Changes**

Ms. Weber and Mr. Wisecup reviewed the [NDUS Strategic Plan and proposed changes](#). The Board discussed and would like to re-visit after the Chancellor's Cabinet reviews and provides their input to the Board at a future meeting.

Ms. Johnson reviewed policies [402.9](#), [503](#), and [401.1](#):

11. **1st Reading, Policy 402.9 Admission Policies - New International Students** and;
12. **1st Reading, Policy 503 Student Free Speech and Expression** and;
13. **1st Reading, Policy 401.1 Academic Freedom**

Traynor moved, Ryan seconded, to approve first readings of policies 402.9, 503, and 401.1.

Neseť, Traynor, Hacker, Ryan, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

14. **2nd Reading, Policy 406.1 Academic Calendars**

Ms. Johnson reviewed proposed amendments to [policy 406.1](#).

Ryan moved, Thornton seconded, to approve second reading of policy 406.1.

Hacker, Ryan, Neseť, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes. Traynor voted no.

15. **2nd Reading, Policy 1203.1 Digital Accessibility**

Mr. King reviewed proposed amendments to [policy 1203.1](#).

Ryan moved, Neseť seconded, to approve second reading of policy 1203.1.

Traynor, Hacker, Ryan, Neseť, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

16. **2nd Reading, Policy 802.7 Identity Theft Prevention** and

17. **2nd Reading, Policy 340.2 Nonprofit Affiliates**

Ms. Putnam reviewed proposed amendments to [policy 802.7](#) and [policy 340.2](#)

Ryan moved, Thornton seconded, to approve second reading of policies 802.7 and 340.2.

Neset, Traynor, Hacker, Ryan, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

18. 2nd Reading, Policy 306.1 Compliance Charter

Ms. Riedman reviewed proposed amendments to [policy306.1](#).

Neset moved, Ryan seconded, to approve second reading of policy 306.1.

Hacker, Ryan, Neset, Traynor, Thornton, Louters, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

19. 2nd Reading, Policy 306.2 Internal Audit Charter

Ms. Riedman reviewed proposed amendments to [policy 306.2](#).

Neset moved, Hacker seconded, to approve second reading of policy 306.2.

Traynor, Thornton, Louters, Hacker, Ryan, Neset, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes.

20. 2nd Reading, Policy 305.1 College and University Presidents' Authority and Responsibilities

Ms. Riedman reviewed proposed amendments to [policy 305.1](#).

Ryan moved, Neset seconded, to approve second reading of policy 305.1.

Thornton, Louters, Ryan, Neset, Mihalick, and Morton voted yes. Hacker and Traynor voted no.

21. SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report

Ms. Louters gave an overview of the May academic and student affairs meeting.

22. SBHE Budget and Finance Committee Report

Mr. Hacker gave an overview of the May budget and finance committee meeting, specifically reviewing the [biennial budget guidelines](#) that the full Board authorized the committee full authority to approve or disapprove and report back to the Board.

23. SBHE Audit Committee Report

Ms. Neset gave an overview of the May audit meeting. The committee discussed the option to provide a temporary system oversight for NDSCS. It will be further explored at the committee's June meeting.

- [NDSCS Performance Audit](#)

24. SBHE Governance Committee Report

Dr. Ryan gave an overview of the May governance meeting.

- [Research Tier Committee](#)

25. Legislation Report

Ms. Dolan gave an overview of the outcome and [action of the 66th legislation](#).

26. DCB Presentation – Entrepreneurial Center for Horticulture (ECH)

Ms. Mawby, Director of the ECH and Mr. Knudson, Dept. Chair of the Agriculture and Horticulture Dept. presented on [DCB's entrepreneurial Center for Horticulture](#).

27. **WSC Presentation – Term Advisor Program**

Ms. Bondy and Ms. Wray presented on [WSC's Term Advisor Program](#).

28. **NDSCS Presentation – Student-focused Affordability Initiatives**

Dr. Vangness Frisch NDSCS's [Student-focused Affordability Initiatives](#).

29. **Envision/Artificial Intelligence Update – May 15th Event on Emerging Technology**

Mr. Wisecup gave an overview of the May 15th Event at BSC regarding emerging technology.

30. **SBHE Retreat Update**

Mr. Wisecup provided an update on the upcoming Board retreat.

31. **North Dakota Student Association (NDSA) Report**

Ms. Thornton reported Cambi Smith will be the new NDSA President, beginning July 1.

32. **Community College Faculty (CCF) Report**

Dr. Dragseth reported the results of the 2018-2019 SBHE Assessment.

33. **Staff Senate Report**

Mr. Wakeford reported on the campuses activities and events related to staff, including professional development.

Public Comment

Mr. Joe Schriener, Train ND Manager, in Wahpeton, addressed concerns he has with some NDSCS campus leadership, lost revenue, morale and lack of resources.

Assessment of Meeting and Future Agenda Items

Future Board Meeting: June 26 & 27, 2019, Bank of North Dakota

Approved June 27, 2019.