North Dakota State Board of Higher Education
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
May 14, 2019, Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education’s Academic and Student Affairs Committee met via conference call on Tuesday, May 14th at 11:00 a.m. CT. The call will originate on the 10th floor of the State Capitol, NDUS Conference Room, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND.

Ms. Louters called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. CT

SBHE Committee on Academic and Student Affairs members present:
   Ms. Jill Louters (Chair)
   Mr. Don Morton
   Ms. Ashley Thornton
   Dr. Birgit Pruess, Faculty Adviser

Others present:
   Ms. Lisa Johnson, NDUS
   Ms. Kristie Hetzler, NDUS
   Ms. Karol Riedman, NDUS
   Mr. Ken Grafton, NDSU
   Ms. Cheryl Thompson, CTS
   Mr. Eric Olson, AG Office

1. **Agenda**
   Morton moved, Thornton seconded, to approve the agenda.

   Thornton, Morton, and Louters voted yes.

2. **Meeting Minutes**
   Thornton moved, Morton seconded, to approve the April 16, 2019, meeting minutes.

   Morton, Thornton, and Louters voted yes.

3. **Policy 402.9 Admission Policies - New International Student**
   Ms. Johnson reviewed proposed amendments to [[policy 402.9](#)].

4. **Policy 401.1 Academic Freedom**
   Ms. Johnson reviewed proposed amendments to [[policy 401.1](#)].

5. **Policy 503 Student Free Speech and Expression**
   Ms. Johnson reviewed proposed amendments to [[policy 503](#)]. Mr. Olson referenced section “J”; it was removed at the request of Student Affairs Council; however, he recommended keeping section “J” in policy. He indicated some of the language may be redundant but was used in the language drafted from legislation and is commonly used within policies regarding free speech and expression.
Ms. Johnson explained two templates were drafted by legal counsel and provided to the campuses at their request. The templates are for a speech assembly and expression policy and a publication, banners and chalking policy. The templates are informational only and do not need board approval.

The committee discussed policies and agreed they will recommend the inclusion of section “J” in policy 503.

Thornton moved, Morton seconded, to recommend approval of policies, including the amendment to include section “J” in policy 503.

Morton, Thornton, and Louters voted yes

**Consent Agenda (Items 6-15)**

Morton moved, Thornton seconded, to approve the following academic consent items 6 – 15.

Thornton, Morton, and Louters voted yes.

State Authorizations

6. Embry Riddle
7. Park University
8. Rasmussen

Program Termination(s)


New Program Request(s)

10. DCB – [A.A.S. in Diagnostic Medical Sonography](#), CIP Code 51.0910
11. MaSU – [M.S. in Nursing](#), CIP Code 51.3801

Organizational Change(s)

15. NDSU – From College of Human Development and Education (HDE) to College of Human Sciences and Education (HSE)

The meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Approved June 18, 2019.