

North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

September 17, 2019, Budget and Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

The State Board of Higher Education Budget and Finance Committee met via conference call on Tuesday the 17th @ 3:30 CT. The call will originate on the 10th floor of the State Capitol, NDUS Conference Room, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND.

Chair Mihalick called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. CT.

SBHE Budget and Finance Committee members participating:

Mr. Tim Mihalick, Chair
Dr. Casey Ryan
Mr. Dan Traynor
Ms. Retha Mattern

Other participants:

Chancellor Hagerott
Ms. Tammy Dolan, NDUS
Mr. Bruce Bollinger, NDSU
Mr. Westley Wintch, VCSU
President Shirley, MiSU
Mr. Dennis Gladden, NDSCS
Mr. Jed Shivers, UND
Ms. Laura Nelson, DSU
Mr. Dave Krebsbach, NDUS
Ms. Terry Meyer, NDUS
Ms. Karol Riedman, NDUS
Mr. Eric Olson, Asst. A.G. and General Counsel

Ms. Maryann Olson, NDUS
Ms. Jami Hovet, MaSU
Mr. Mike Pieper, UND
Mr. Brent Winiger, MiSU
Ms. Becky Collins, BSC
Mr. Riley Yadon, WSC
Mr. Dave Krebsbach, NDUS
Mr. Rick Tonder, NDUS
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, NDUS
Ms. Karla Stewart, UND
Mr. Ken Grafton, NDSU

1. **Agenda**

Ryan moved, Traynor seconded, to approve the agenda.

Ryan, Traynor, and Mihalick, voted yes.

2. **Meeting Minutes**

Ryan moved, Traynor seconded, to approve the June 18 and July 2, 2019, meeting minutes.

Traynor, Ryan, and Mihalick voted yes.

3. **UND-SMHS Transfer from Operations line**

Ryan moved, Traynor seconded, to recommend approval for [UND-SMHS transfer of \\$1,947,714](#) from the operations line of UND to the operations line of the SMHS, as provided in 2019 House Bill 1003 (Section 22), for the 2019-21 biennium.

Traynor, Ryan, and Mihalick, voted yes.

4. **UND Flight Operations building**

Ryan moved, Traynor seconded, to recommend approval for UND to raise funds for the replacement of [UND's Flight Operations building](#) and corresponding site work at the Grand Forks Airport.

Ryan, Traynor, and Mihalick, voted yes.

5. **NDSU Seed Cleaning Facility Williston REC**

Mr. Bruce Bollinger requested the NDSU Seed Cleaning Facility Williston REC be postponed.

Traynor moved, Ryan seconded, to postpone NDSU construction of a \$2,250,000 [Seed Cleaning Facility at the Williston REC](#).

Traynor, Ryan, and Mihalick, voted yes.

6. **NDSU Ag Products Development Center**

Ryan moved, Traynor seconded, to recommend approval for NDSU to increase the special fund authority for the [Ag Products Development Center](#) from \$6,000,000 to \$20,000,000 as per SB2297.

Ryan, Traynor, and Mihalick, voted yes.

7. **DCB Fundraising Campaign for Old Main Building**

Ryan moved, Traynor seconded, to recommend approval for DCB, acting through the DCB Foundation, to proceed with a [formal fundraising campaign](#) of up to \$3,300,000 to renovate the Old Main building into a Center for Rural Health Education.

Traynor, Ryan, and Mihalick, voted yes.

Chair Mihalick expressed concerns regarding the 10-20 percent of contingency dollars used for unanticipated or unknown costs. It was explained the lack of monies dedicated to design prior to getting the funds and the difficulty to have an accurate dollar amount as narrow as to 3-5 percent that the committee chair indicated to be more appropriate.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m. CT.

Approved October 15, 2019.