MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION
STATE BOARD FOR CAREER and TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Purpose and Nature of the Understanding

The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding are the State Board for Career and Technical Education (CTE) and the State Board of Higher Education (SBHE). The parties both recognize that CTE has statutory responsibilities and the SBHE has constitutional and statutory responsibilities with respect to career and technical programs in North Dakota’s public institutions of higher education.

The purpose of this agreement is to mutually continue to improve the postsecondary career and technical education opportunities in North Dakota through cooperative planning to achieve improved effectiveness and economy in the delivery of education and training.

The parties agree that the provisions of this agreement shall govern actions by the two parties relative to career and technical education at the postsecondary level unless changed by agreement of the parties. The agreement may be terminated, effective at the end of a biennium, by either party upon 90 days written notice to the other party.

College Technical Education Council (CTEC)

It is agreed that the “College Technical Education Council” (CTEC) is created jointly by CTE and SBHE and charged with: formulating and recommending appropriate policies and procedures relating to career and technical education and training in postsecondary institutions for consideration by the respective boards represented on the council. CTEC shall develop goals, programs, communication strategies, and financial considerations relating to career and technical education.

1. Purpose. The central purpose of CTEC is to improve the coordination, collaboration and effectiveness of career and technical education and training between CTE and SBHE in order to more effectively and efficiently deliver career and technical and workforce training in North Dakota.

2. Composition of Council. CTEC shall include the following CEO’s or executive officers: the Executive Director of CTEC; CTE State Director and Executive Officer; presidents of Bismarck State College, Lake Region State College, North Dakota State College of Science and Williston State College; and, Executive Dean of Minot State University – Bottineau Campus.

3. Statewide Biennial Goals. Every other year, prior to CTE and SBHE budget-setting, CTEC shall develop a written statement of statewide goals and priorities relating to career and technical education and training.
Financial Considerations

CTE and SBHE agree to secure program improvement and supplemental legislative support in concert with CTEC.

6-26-07
(Date)
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6-29-07
(Date)
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