The State Board of Higher Education met on Thursday, March 30, at 9:00 a.m. CT, via Interactive Video (IVN) originating from Bismarck State College, National Energy Center of Excellence, Bavendick Stateroom, 1200 Schafer Street, Bismarck, ND 58505.

IVN locations:
- BSC/NECE/Bavendick Stateroom/1200 Schafer St.
- DCB/President Office/Thatcher Hall/105 Simrall Blvd.
- NDSU/President Office/1340 Administration Ave.
- UND/Information Technology Bldg/rm 142/4349 James Ray Dr.
- LRSC/Main bldg./President’s office/1801 College Dr. N.
- MaSU/President Office/Old Main rm. #113, 330 3rd St. NE.
- MiSU/Administration Bldg/2nd fl./President’s Office/500 University Ave W.
- VCSU/Rhoades 101.
- NDSCS/Haverty Hall/President office (room 148)/800 North 6th St.
- WSC/Stevens Hall President Office/1410 University Ave.

Members participating:
- Ms. Kathleen Neset, Chair
- Mr. Nick Hacker
- Dr. Kevin Melicher
- Mr. Nick Evans
- Dr. Ernst Pijning, Faculty Adviser

- Mr. Don Morton, Vice Chair
- Mr. Mike Ness
- Ms. Kari Reichert
- Mr. Greg Stemen
- Mr. Andy Wakeford, Staff Adviser

Chancellor present: Dr. Mark Hagerott

Institution Representatives Present:
- Dr. Doug Darling, President, LRSC
- Dr. Jerry Migler, Dean, DCB
- Dr. Dean Bresciani, President, NDSU
- Mr. Mark Kennedy, President, UND
- Dr. Larry C. Skogen, President, BSC
- Dr. Steve Shirley, President, MiSU
- Dr. Tisa Mason, President, VCSU
- Dr. Tom Mitzel, President, DSU
- Dr. John Miller, Interim President, WSC
- Dr. John Richman, President, NDSCS
- Dr. Gary Hagen, President, MaSU

NDUS senior staff participating:
- Dr. Lisa Feldner, Chief of Staff
- Ms. Tammy Dolan, Chief Financial Officer
Chair Neset called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. CT.

1. **Agenda**
   Ness moved, Melicher seconded, to approve the agenda with an amendment to move item 16, two-year campus study, earlier in the agenda and following a presentation by the House Majority Leader, Mr. Al Carlson.

   Melicher, Morton, Stemen, Ness, Reichert, Evans, Hacker, and Neset voted yes.

2. **Minutes**
   Morton moved, Stemen seconded, to approve the January 26, 2017.

   Stemen, Melicher, Morton, Ness, Evans, Hacker, and Neset voted yes.

3. **Network Voluntarily Assessment Report**
   Mr. Eric Wallace presented the Network Voluntarily Assessment report.

4. **Policy 916.1**
   Dr. Rothaus presented policy 916.1 regarding possession of a firearm or dangerous weapon in a campus residence. There is an emergency clause attached to the bill, if passed, it will take effect immediately. This proposed policy was drafted to meet the needs of our campuses. As currently written, the policy gives only the State Board of Higher Education authority to approve any firearms in any residents of the eleven institutions.

   Board members discussed having a policy stating no firearms will be allowed on any of the campuses.

   Melicher moved, Ness seconded, to approve first reading, waive second reading, and final adoption of policy 916.1, Possession of a Firearm or Dangerous Weapon in a Campus Residence.

   Ness, Reichert, Stemen, Melicher, Morton, Evans, Hacker, and Neset voted yes.

   **Policy 916.1** (revisited 11:20)
   Dr. Melicher requested to re-visit policy 916.1, regarding possession of a firearm or dangerous weapon in a campus residence.

   Melicher moved, Evans seconded, to amend policy 916.1 to include The State Board of Higher Education or the University/College President are the only
entities that may allow an individual to store a firearm or dangerous weapon in a campus residence as contemplated by N.D.C.C. § 62.1-02-05.

Melicher, Morton, Hacker, Ness, and Evans voted yes. Reichert, Stemen, and Neset voted no.

Motion carries.

5. Honorary Degrees
Ness moved, Evans seconded, to approve Honorary degrees; a Doctorate of Agriculture, to Dr. H. Roald Lund from NDSU and an Associate of Arts, to Mr. David O’Connell, from DCB.

Melicher, Morton, Evans, Ness, Reichert, Stemen, Hacker, and Neset voted yes.

6. Minot State University Land Transfer
Evans moved, Morton seconded, to approve the transfer of real property as described by Minot State to the North Dakota Department of Transportation consistent with the requirements outlined in SBHE Policy 910.

Melicher, Morton, Evans, Ness, Reichert, Stemen, Hacker, and Neset voted yes.

Budget and Finance Committee Recommendations
7. Authorization for NDSU to proceed with a fundraising campaign through the NDSU Foundation and Alumni Association for $28 million for the construction of an addition and partial renovation of Sudro Hall and to purchase equipment. Further request approval to seek legislative approval as an amendment to SB2003 to include construction authorization for this project not to exceed $28 million. Mr. Peterson indicated, in 2014 NDSU graduated 64 nursing students and since then has developed a workforce development plan to increase the number of graduates. The Fargo campus graduated 96 last year and Bismarck graduated 80, for a total of 176 nurses. Next year, the Fargo expansion would allow their number to increase to 128, for a total of 208 graduating nurses between both sites. The total expansion could increase to 364 nursing graduates.

Stemen moved, Hacker seconded, to approve the SBHE Budget, Finance, and Facilities Committee recommendation, agenda item 7.

Evans, Stemen, Ness, Morton, Hacker, Melicher, Reichert, and Neset voted yes.

8. Authorization for NDSU to proceed with the Residence Dining Center Phase II at an estimated cost of $1,000,000 funded from auxiliary local funds.

Melicher moved, Morton seconded, to approve the SBHE Budget, Finance, and Facilities Committee recommendation, agenda item 8.

Morton, Hacker, Evans, Stemen, Ness, Melicher, Reichert, and Neset voted yes.
9. Authorization to the extent permitted by NDCC 4-05.1-19.6, NDSU to proceed with the procurement of seed cleaning equipment for a facility to be built at the North Central REC in Minot, ND, for a cost of $750,000 (General funds). Total project authorization is $750,000 general fund and $1,500,000 other funds.

Melicher moved, Stemen seconded, to approve the SBHE Budget, Finance, and Facilities Committee recommendation, agenda item 9.

Ness, Morton, Evans, Stemen, Hacker, Melicher, Reichert, and Neset voted yes.

10. Authorization for Dickinson State University to proceed with May Hall Mechanical Renovations at an estimated cost of $1,280,000 using extraordinary repair fund appropriations with required matching operating funds, and 2013-15 capital asset carryover.

11. Authorization for Dickinson State University to proceed with Wood’s Hall Repairs at an estimated cost of $1,800,000 using auxiliary reserves and Department of Trust Land Grants.

Stemen moved, Morton seconded, to approve the SBHE Budget, Finance, and Facilities Committee recommendation, agenda items 10 and 11.

Evans, Stemen, Morton, Hacker, Ness, Melicher, Reichert, and Neset voted yes.

12. Campus Assessments

Ness moved, Stemen seconded, to approve the SBHE Budget, Finance, and Facilities Committee recommendation, agenda item 12.

Reichert, Evans, Stemen, Morton, Hacker, Ness, Melicher, and Neset voted yes.

**Academic and Student Affairs Committee Recommendations**

13. **BSC**


Morton moved, Melicher seconded, to approve the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommendations, agenda items 13 and 14.

Ness, Morton, Evans, Stemen, Hacker, Melicher, Reichert, and Neset voted yes.
Governance Committee Update
15. Mr. Ness briefed the Board on the following topics the Governance Committee has been working on:
   - New board orientation
   - Board self-evaluation
   - Board training

16. Two-year Campus Study
Mr. Ness informed the Board the two-year study was discussed at the Governance Committee meeting. They suggested language amendments to HB2003, Section 18, regarding studying the organization of the NDUS two-year campuses.

The House Majority Leader, Mr. Al Carlson, briefed the Board on the concept and reasoning for the proposed study on campus study.

Ness moved, Morton seconded, to approve moving forward with a study of reorganizing the two-year institutions under its control into a community and technology college system that addresses workforce and education needs of the state. The study will take place during the period beginning July 1, 2017, and ending December 31, 2018,

Melicher, Morton, Stemen, Evans, Evans, and Neset voted yes. Reichert and Hacker voted no.

Motion carries.

Audit Committee Update
17. Ms. Neset gave a brief update
18. Enterprise Risk Management Update
Laura Schratt presented a draft Enterprise Risk Management Plan to the Board.

19. Strategic Plan – Goal 3 – Equip Students for Success
Dr. Rothaus and Mr. Jockers presented SBHE on goal three.

20. Chancellor’s Report
Chancellor Hagerott gave updates of the status for following:
   - Chancellor Cabinet Study Update
   - IT Security Initiatives
   - WICHE HLS Exercise
   - Envision 2030 Update
   - NexusND Update
   - Transition K-12 students to higher education

21. Legislative Update
Dr. Feldner and Ms. Dolan updated the Board on the status Legislative bills and the budget.
22. Dr. Murphy gave a report from the Council of College Faculty.

23. Mr. Dailey gave a report from the North Dakota Student Association.

24. Mr. Wakeford gave a report from the Staff Senate.

Public Comment
None

Assessment of Meeting and Future Agenda Items
Board members agreed to a new agenda format that is web based.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m. CT.

Approved April 27, 2017.