

North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

Meeting Notice and Agenda

December 4, 2025

Action Items

The State Board of Higher Education will meet on December 4, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. CT., via Teams. [Click here](#) to view the live video stream.

Call to Order

1. # Agenda

System Spotlight Campaign

2. [Spotlight on VCSU's AI Institute of Teaching and Learning](#) – Dr. Lorus and Mr. Jensen
3. Spotlight on University of North Dakota – Dr. Armacost

Board Consent (4- 16)

4. October 30, 2025 [Meeting Minutes](#)

SBHE Audit Committee

5. Updated FY26 [Audit Plan](#)

SBHE ASAC Committee

6. Institutional Organization Exploration
 - a. [North Dakota State University](#)
 - i. Center for Banking and Finance
 - ii. Honors College
7. Tenure
 - a. [North Dakota State University](#)

SBHE Budget and Finance Committee

8. [Housing, Food, and Fee Guidelines](#)
9. [NDSU request to transfer Tier II/III funds](#)
10. [DSU Interim Financing Request](#)

Retirement Plan Oversight Committee

11. Recommendation
 - a. [Summary](#)
 - b. [NDUS Retirement Plan Revenue Credit Balance](#)

SBHE Policy

1st read:

12. Policy 503.1 [Student Free Speech and Expression](#)
13. Policy 503.2 [Student Data Privacy and Security Bill of Rights](#)
14. Policy 514 [Due Process Requirements for Student Conduct That May Result in Suspension or Expulsion](#)

2nd read:

15. HR Policy 2 [Appointments](#)
16. Policy 706.1 [Board Member and Advisor Per Diem Payments](#)

Board Business

17. Reduced-credit bachelor's degrees – DC Johnson
 - a. [Policy Changes](#)
 - b. Reduced-credit bachelor's degree draft [guardrails](#)
18. Consideration of Interim Presidential Appointment at VCSU
 - a. Executive Session to (1) consider the appointment of an interim President for Valley City State University, and any contract terms (2) limit the executive session to voting Board members, nonvoting advisers, Commissioner, selected NDUS Office Staff, and board counsel. The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is North Dakota Century Code sections 15-10-17(1)(d), 44-04-19.1(9), and 44-04-19.2
 - b. Reconvene in open session to discuss and/or take action.
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Representative Reports

20. Staff Senate – Ms. Anna Kinney
21. CCF – Dr. Lisa Montplaisir
22. NDSA – Mr. Max Eriksrud

SBHE Committee Reports/Updates/Discussions

23. SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee – Mr. Curtis Biller
24. SBHE Budget and Finance Committee – Mr. Tim Mihalick
 - a. SBHE Retreat Priority items:
 - i. Dual Credit/ Tuition Discussion – Subsidized and unsubsidized delivery, Policy 805.1 & Procedure 805.1
 - ii. [Resource Sharing Between Institutions](#)
 1. [Proposed Policy](#)
 - iii. Funding Formula Recommendations
25. SBHE Audit Committee – Mr. Tim Mihalick
26. SBHE Research and Governance Committee – Ms. Danita Bye/Mr. DJ Campbell
 - a. SBHE Retreat Priority items:
 - i. Tenure
 - ii. Institutional Mission, Program Offerings, and Vision for the Future [Survey](#)
27. Midwest Higher Education Annual Meeting – Mr. Tim Mihalick

Chair Report

28. Updates from Chair Black

Commissioner Report

29. Large IT Project Quarterly update – Mr. Corey Quirk
 - a. [Current Major IT Project Status – 2025 Q3](#)
 - b. [MITPO \(LPO\) Quarterly Report – 2025 Q3](#)
30. Sagency Project/ System Alignment Project Update – DC Larson
31. Presidential Evaluations Process Review Update – DC Larson
32. Presidential Search Process Updates – DC Larson
 - a. BSC
 - b. VCSU
 - c. NDSU
33. [DOJ Guidelines](#) - Mr. Chris Pieske
34. [HLC State Partners Update](#) - DC Johnson
35. Updates from Commissioner Sanford

Other

36. Public Comment

Adjourn