

North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

Meeting Notice and Agenda

March 26, 2026

Action Items

The State Board of Higher Education will meet on March 26, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. CT., via Teams,
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Call to Order

1. **# Agenda**

System Spotlight Campaign

2. Spotlight on North Dakota Student Association – Mr. Eric Jensen
3. Spotlight on Lake Region State College – President Simone

Board Consent (4 – 21)

4. February 26, 2026 [Meeting Minutes](#)

SBHE Budget and Finance Committee

5. WSC Healthcare Building Naming Rights
6. UND - Name NCoBPA Endowed Professorship
7. UND - Name SMHS Endowed Professorship
8. UND - [Fox Memorial Bridge Project](#)
9. [Annual Tuition, Housing, Food & Fee Report](#)
10. [2025 Fall Affordability Report](#)

SBHE Audit Committee

11. [Annual NDUS Executive Survey](#)
12. [Annual Compliance Office Executive Survey](#)

SBHE Research and Governance Committee

13. [Enterprise Service Management Report](#)

SBHE Policy

1st Read, Waive 2nd Read

14. Policy 404.1 [Distance Education Program Approval](#)
15. Policy 420 [Accreditation](#)
16. Policy 606.1 [Classification - Higher Education Employees](#)
17. Policy 608.2 [NDUS Employees - Non-renewal and Dismissals](#)
18. Policy 608.3 [Professional Staff Compensation](#)
19. Policy 609 [Communication Proficiency](#)

- 20. Policy 611.1 [Employee Responsibility and Activities: Medical Service Plan - UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences](#)
- 21. Policy 616 [Career and Technical Program Instructor Certification Standards](#)

Board Business

- 22. Nominations to State Board of Agricultural Research and Education (SBARE) - Dr. Gregory Lardy
 - a. [Mr. John Nordgaard](#)
 - b. [Mr. Brian McDonald](#)
 - c. [Ms. Pam Guleson](#)
 - d. [Ms. Christie Jaeger](#)
- 23. [Tenure Consideration](#) for President Carmen Simone – DC Meredith Larson
- 24. Funding Formula – Chair Black
- 25. Strategic Planning – DC Meredith Larson/Chair Black

SBHE Policies

1st Read, Waive 2nd Read

- 26. Policy 421 [Academic Program Requests](#) – DC Lisa Johnson
- 27. Policy 502 [Enrollment Integrity and Identity Compromise](#) – DC Lisa Johnson
- 28. Policy 705.1 [Executive Compensation](#) – Ms. Jane Grinde

Representative Reports/Updates/Discussions

- 29. Staff Senate – Ms. Anna Kinney
- 30. CCF – Dr. Lisa Montplaisir
- 31. NDSA – Mr. Max Eriksrud
 - a. [September, October, November 2025](#)
 - b. [December 2025](#)
 - c. [January, February 2026](#)

SBHE Committee Reports/Updates/Discussions

- 32. SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee - Mr. Curtis Biller
- 33. SBHE Budget and Finance Committee - Mr. Tim Mihalick
- 34. SBHE Audit Committee - Mr. Tim Mihalick
- 35. SBHE Research and Governance Committee – DC Meredith Larson

Chair Report

- 36. Updates from Chair Black

Commissioner Report

- 37. Low Enrollment Programs: [DRAFT](#) – DC Lisa Johnson
- 38. Congratulations to Dean Gorder and the [U.S. Paralympic Sled Team](#) – DC Meredith Larson
- 39. Important Upcoming Board Meetings – DC Meredith Larson

Other

- 40. Public Comments

Adjourn

Contact Christina Pieske (701) 877-5704 or christina.pieske@ndus.edu prior to the scheduled meeting date if auxiliary aids or services are needed. **For Presenters:** Please have your presentation or materials open and ready to share your screen as soon as your time slot begins to ensure a smooth transition.