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North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

Meeting Notice and Agenda
August 27, 2026
Action Items

The State Board of Higher Education will meet on August 27, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. CT. in room 335 of the National Energy Center of Excellence (NECE), 1200 Schafer St., Bismarck, ND 58501 on the campus of Bismarck State College.

Call to Order

1. **#** Agenda

 # Board Consent

2. June Meeting Minutes

SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee

3. Institutional Organizational Notice (conclusion at SBHE)
    a. Minot State University
        i. Name Change: Center for Extended Learning to Center for Online Learning and Testing

 # Board Business

SBHE Policies
2nd read

4. Policy 422 Review of Low-Completion Programs – DC Lisa Johnson

5. Tik Tok Ban – DC Corey Quirk

Other

6. Legislative Updates - DC Lisa Johnson
    a. Higher Education Funding Review Committee – August 19
    b. Special Legislative Session – September 2
    c. Tentative Higher Education Institutions Committee in Devils Lake and Grand Forks – September 21 and 22

7. Public Comments

8. Sagency Strategic Retreat

Adjourn

SBHE Strategic Retreat Agenda

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1. **Outcomes and Expectations**
    - What we hope to accomplish during the retreat and how the Board will engage with the draft strategy.
2. **Where We Are in the Process**
    - What has been completed, who has contributed, and what remains to be developed.
3. **Mission and Core Business**
    - The enduring statutory purpose of the North Dakota University System and the role NDUS is uniquely positioned to play for North Dakota.
4. **Strategic Vision**
    - The long-term ambition and the Bold Five-Year Goals that define success.
5. **Strategic Pillars and Initiatives**
    - The major areas of work required to achieve the vision and goals.
6. **What the Strategy Will Require**
    - The implications for coordination, accountability, funding, institutional roles, and system-wide decision-making.
7. **Operating Model**
    - How the system may need to organize, structure, and support the work differently to execute the strategy.
8. **Next Steps**
    - Where there is alignment, what needs further development, and what comes back to the Board.