NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thursday and Friday, September 7-8, 2006
University of North Dakota and UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences
Grand Forks, North Dakota
Mayville State University
Mayville, North Dakota

Thursday, September 7, 2006 - Meeting and budget tour of the University of North Dakota and the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences, University Avenue, Grand Forks (The committee will begin its meeting in the Student Wellness Center, 801 Princeton Street, Grand Forks. Committee members are encouraged to park in the lot directly in front of the center.)

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AND UND SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES - BUDGET TOUR

9:00 a.m. Call to order

Roll call

Consideration of minutes from the May 10-11, 2006, June 13, 2006, and July 13, 2006, meetings

9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the University of North Dakota regarding:

- An overview of the campus
- Campus initiatives and programs, including information on unique and special interest programs and workforce education and training partnerships and programs
- Campus responses to the following main themes that emerged from the June 2004 Higher Education Roundtable meeting:

Meeting the rapidly changing education and training needs of business and industry, including the need for enhanced soft skills development

Communicating and sustaining the vision of the Higher Education Roundtable within the campus and with public stakeholders

- An analysis of current enrollment information, including information on the number of students served on campus versus the number of students served through distance education methods and information on short-term and long-term enrollment strategies and plans for responding to the demographic trends in North Dakota over the next 10 years
- Funding challenges and opportunities for state investment, including information on centers of excellence
- Status of any capital improvements for the 2005-07 biennium and anticipated 2007-09 capital improvement needs

11:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences regarding:

- The status of the 2005-07 budget
- An analysis of current enrollment information and information on long-term enrollment plans
- Status of any capital improvements for the 2005-07 biennium

Anticipated budget needs for the 2007-09 biennium

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

OTHER ITEMS

12:30 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the North Dakota University System regarding:

- Any policy changes being considered by the State Board of Higher Education, including information on how the policy changes fit with the goals of the Higher Education Roundtable
- The potential impact of the proposed Minnesota free tuition program on the North Dakota University System
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff and committee consideration of bill drafts providing for the continuation of legislation passed by the 2005 Legislative Assembly regarding:
 - Higher education special revenue funds continuing appropriation authority
 - Budget requests, budget estimates, and block grant appropriations for the North Dakota University System
 - Higher education carryover of unspent general fund appropriations
- 1:15 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the bill drafts relating to the continuation of legislation passed by the 2005 Legislative Assembly
- 1:30 p.m. Budget tour of the University of North Dakota and the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences facilities, including a demonstration of online physics laboratory capabilities
- 4:30 p.m. Recess

Friday, September 8, 2006 - Meeting and budget tour of Mayville State University, 330 Third Street NE, Mayville (The committee will begin its meeting in the Luckasen Room, Campus Center, Mayville State University.)

MAYVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY - BUDGET TOUR

- 9:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of Mayville State University regarding:
 - An overview of the campus
 - The status of the 2005-07 budget
 - Campus initiatives and programs, including information on unique and special interest programs and workforce education and training partnerships and programs
 - Campus responses to the following main themes that emerged from the June 2004 Higher Education Roundtable meeting:

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11:00 a.m. Budget tour of Mayville State University facilities

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

12:30 p.m. Committee comments and recommendations regarding the committee's study of higher education funding and accountability, including a motion to prepare the committee's

final report and bill drafts for presentation to the Legislative Council

1:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators Ray Holmberg (Chairman), Tim Flakoll, Tony Grindberg, Nicholas P. Hacker, Ed Kringstad, Elroy N. Lindaas, Dave Nething, David O'Connell

Representatives Ole Aarsvold, Larry Bellew, Tom Brusegaard, Lois Delmore, Mary Ekstrom, Kathy Hawken, Nancy Johnson, Andrew G. Maragos, Bob Martinson, Darrell D. Nottestad, Mark S. Owens, Earl Rennerfeldt, Steven L. Zaiser