

## HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING COMMITTEE - COMMITTEE CONSIDERATIONS FOR ACTION

### Options for Committee Action on Issues

1. Potential legislation
  
2. Reports
  
3. Recommendations
  
4. Other

### Issues for Consideration

1. Workforce Needs

<b>NORTH DAKOTA'S RANK IN JOBS FORECASTED FOR 2018, BY EDUCATION LEVEL</b>		
Education level	2018 Jobs	Rank
High school dropouts	23,000	51
High school graduates	114,000	43
Some college, no degree	102,000	15
Associate's degree	60,000	1
Bachelor's degree	89,000	6
Graduate degree	25,000	43

2. College/workforce readiness
  
3. Student affordability
  - a. Tuition
  
  - b. Scholarships - needs-based versus merit-based
  
  - c. Scholarships - incentives
  
  - d. Tuition waivers
  
4. Higher education finance
  - a. Funding formula adjustments
  
  - b. Inclusion of tuition revenue in appropriations discussions

- c. Performance funding
  - d. Priority incentives
  - e. Unique institution needs
5. Use of data
6. Research
- a. Intellectual property
  - b. Research North Dakota
7. Institution facilities
- a. Deferred maintenance
  - b. Master plan and space utilization study
  - c. Higher education challenge fund matching grant program
8. Course Delivery
- a. Use of open textbooks
  - b. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA)
  - c. Massive open online courses (MOOCs)
9. Accountability
- a. Current metrics and use of University System Performance and Accountability Report
  - b. Accountability measures discussed by committee members at the September 26, 2013, committee meeting
  - c. Accountability measures for institutional-level programs

## Tuition and Mandatory Fees

With the exception of the two-year campuses, tuition and mandatory fees for NDUS campuses are less than their regional counterparts in 2012-13. The gap between regional rates and NDUS four-year campus rates has continued to increase. The average rate at NDUS two-year campuses continues to be higher than the regional rate, although the gap has steadily decreased as a result of the tuition freeze at NDUS two-year campuses.

	UND/NDSU	MiSU	4-year	2-year
<b>2006-07</b>				
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (\$)	(\$312)	(\$112)	(\$33)	+\$618
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (%)	(5.2%)	(2.4%)	(.7%)	+21.9%
<b>2007-08</b>				
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (\$)	(\$327)	(\$140)	+\$120	+617
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (%)	(5.1%)	(2.9%)	+2.6%	+20.5%
<b>2008-09</b>				
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (\$)	(\$450)	(\$141)	+\$115	+\$660
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (%)	(6.6%)	(2.7%)	+2.4%	+21.2%
<b>2009-10</b>				
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (\$)	(\$610)	(\$31)	\$108	+\$594
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (%)	(8.5%)	(.6%)	2.2%	+18.5%
<b>2010-11</b>				
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (\$)	(\$799)	(\$46)	\$57	+\$513
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (%)	(10.5%)	(.8%)	1.1%	+15.5%
<b>2011-12</b>				
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (\$)	(\$920)	(\$307)	(\$219)	+\$440
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (%)	(11.4%)	(5.1%)	(3.9%)	+12.7%
<b>2012-13</b>				
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (\$)	(\$1,170)	(\$465)	(\$485)	+\$316
NDUS Variance to Reg'l Average (%)	(13.4%)	(7.3%)	(8.0%)	+8.6%
Region includes: Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming				

Source: Source identified in Appendix 2

The published source of information for regional room and board rates is not available for 2012-13. During 2012-13, NDUS room and board rates increased as follows: UND/NDSU average increase – 3.3 percent, MiSU increase – 2.9 percent, and 4-year average increase – 5.8 percent. Due to the historical size of the regional gap noted in

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