

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 13, 2006

Student Center, Valley City State University
Valley City, North Dakota

(The committee will meet in the Skoal Room in the Student Center, Valley City State University, 101 SW College Street, Valley City. Legislators are encouraged to park in the visitors' parking lot east of the Student Center.)

9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of minutes from the February 14-15, 2006, and March 14-15, 2006, meetings

VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY - BUDGET TOUR

9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of Valley City State University 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

10:30 a.m. Budget tour of Valley City State University facilities

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING AND ACCOUNTABILITY STUDY

12:45 p.m. Comments by representatives of the State Board of Higher Education regarding the final report for the higher education funding and accountability study

1:15 p.m. Comments by representatives of higher education institutions regarding the final report for the higher education funding and accountability study

1:45 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the higher education funding and accountability study

- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding North Dakota's workforce training system
- 2:05 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives, including requests for bill drafts relating to the MGT of America, Inc., recommendations and other areas
- 2:30 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