

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

**HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Monday, March 10, 2008  
Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes of the December 4, 2007, meeting

**HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY**

9:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding higher education policy areas and information regarding reauthorization of the Higher Education Act of 1965

9:10 a.m. Comments by Chairman Ken Svedjan regarding higher education policy areas and an open dialogue for committee members and members of the State Board of Higher Education to reflect upon previously discussed policy areas

10:40 a.m. Continuation of discussion with members of the State Board of Higher Education regarding the following higher education policy areas:

**A vision for and expectations of the North Dakota University System**

- Presentation by representatives of the University System regarding the University System's expectations of the role of the Legislative Assembly
- Related issue includes a proper vehicle for engaging stakeholders

**Effectiveness and efficiency**

- Related issues include implementing effectiveness and efficiency strategies, such as redesigning courses and transforming curriculum, and maintaining educational quality in a flexible environment
- Presentation by representatives of the University System regarding the University System's internal audit function and the University System's efforts to establish a framework for providing information to the committee on full faculty workloads, releases from full faculty workloads, and the number of credit hours taught at each institution

**Higher education funding**

- Related issues include funding comparisons with other states, whether the University System's long-term financing plan and resource allocation model are appropriate, and appropriate accountability measures

**An appropriate higher education structure for the 21<sup>st</sup> century**

- Presentation by representatives of the University System on the roles of the State Board of Higher Education, chancellor, and presidents of higher education institutions
- Related issues include whether the structure of the North Dakota University System and the State Board of Higher Education match the needs and expectations of the state and the level of bureaucracy within the University System

- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 12:30 p.m. Continuation of the higher education policy discussion
- 4:15 p.m. Concluding comments by the chairman
- 4:30 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the use of consulting services
- 4:45 p.m. Other committee discussion and staff directives
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn

**Committee Members**

Representatives Ken Svedjan (Chairman), Lois Delmore, Kathy Hawken, RaeAnn G. Kelsch, Matthew M. Klein, Bob Martinson, Jasper Schneider, Bob Skarphol, John D. Wall, Clark Williams  
Senators Ray Holmberg, Karen K. Krebsbach, Elroy N. Lindaas, Dave Nething, Dave Oehlke, Tracy Potter, Larry J. Robinson