

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday and Wednesday, January 19-20, 2010
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes from the October 28, 2009, meeting

HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY

9:05 a.m. Comments by the chairman regarding the committee meeting
Comments and discussion with representatives of North Dakota University System four-year institutions regarding the following higher education topic areas:

9:10 a.m. • Program evaluation procedures

- Nationally recognized analyses tools used by institutions to evaluate programs and the effectiveness of the tools
- Comparisons made by campuses to peer institutions, including comparisons made using information from program evaluation tools
- Use of profit and loss analyses to determine the success of a particular academic college or program
- Criteria used to determine whether to add or remove programs at institutions and examples of recent program additions and deletions

10:20 a.m. • Faculty engagement and evaluation

- Involvement of faculty in developing campus budgets
- Availability of discretionary funds to faculty for new ideas and processes
- Process of evaluating faculty regarding instructional quality
- Process of evaluating faculty regarding the level of student completion

11:20 a.m. • Student involvement

- Role of students in the evaluation of programs and instructors at campuses
- Role of students in developing academic programs and degree completion requirements
- Extent to which student unit records are used to measure the success of students and faculty and the value of these measurements

12:00 noon Luncheon recess
Continuation of comments and discussion with representatives of University System four-year institutions regarding the following higher education topic areas:

1:00 p.m. • Higher education funding

- Suggestions for types of measurements or data to use for determining performance or incentive funding
- Appropriateness of using graduation rates; course completions; time to degree completion; and the advancement of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses as a basis for determining performance or incentive funding

- 2:00 p.m. • Future of higher education
- Changes expected in higher education during the next 10 years and the next 20 years
 - Potential changes in the educational environment resulting from these changes
 - Potential changes in teaching methods resulting from increases in online courses
 - Potential changes in the need for physical plant capacity on campuses resulting from future changes in the educational environment
 - Potential changes in funding methods resulting from changes in the educational environment
 - Plans being developed by campuses to be prepared to successfully provide higher education programs in the future

- 3:10 p.m. • Tuition waivers and workforce needs
- Campus use of tuition waivers
 - Campus programs addressing current and future regional workforce needs

4:00 p.m. Committee discussion

4:30 p.m. Recess

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

Presentations by representatives of the University System regarding the following higher education topics:

- 8:30 a.m. Information regarding higher education data currently collected and evaluated, additional potential evaluation measures, and recommendations for changes in the collection and evaluation of the data
- 9:10 a.m. Institution policies for granting tuition waivers
- 9:30 a.m. The number of students at each campus that receive a foreign student or graduate assistant tuition waiver, including the number of these students that reside in the state following graduation
- 9:45 a.m. The estimated economic impact of higher education students to campus communities
- 10:00 a.m. Information regarding estimated 2009-10 academic year revenue collections at each campus compared to budget estimates
- 10:20 a.m. The number of remedial education students at each campus as well as provisional enrollment programs at institutions
- 10:35 a.m. The enrollment of students in online courses, including the amount of revenue generated by online courses at each institution
- 10:45 a.m. The number of resident and nonresident students taking distance education classes
- 10:55 a.m. The enrollment of adult learners and disadvantaged students, including potential ways to increase the enrollments of these students
- 11:15 a.m. The number of student loans and related dollar amount at each campus that are considered delinquent
- 11:25 a.m. The status of grants applied for by University System institutions through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
- 11:35 a.m. An update on the use of the \$800,000 appropriation provided to the University System for increasing awareness of two-year institutions and careers

- 11:55 a.m. An update on the activities of the State Board of Higher Education institutional missions task force
- 12:05 p.m. An update on the activities of the North Dakota State University presidential search committee
- 12:15 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the committee's study of higher education
- 12:25 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 1:00 p.m. Adjourn

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