Student Affairs Council Minutes
June 13, 2012

Members Present
Donna Fishbeck, BSC               Prakash Mathew, NDSU
Paula Berg, DCB                   Philip Parnell, NDSCS
Randy Fixen, LRSC                 Michel Hillman, NDUS
Ray Gerszewski, MaSU              Lori Reesor, UND
Dick Jenkins, MiSU                Jennifer Vetter, NDSA

Others Present
Lydia Dvorshak, DSU               Tara Weltikol, WSC
Rebecca Duben-Kalash, NDUS        Jane Vangsness Frisch, NDUS

There were no additions or corrections to the draft minutes from the May 10, 2012 minutes. The minutes, were by consensus, approved as presented.

Additional Items:
- Admission Matrix

AAC – The planning session was held recently in Devils Lake. The council talked about a number of issues. Given the large number of issues under discussion and all the change, they thought it would be good to have more face to face meetings. Conference calls will also be extended to four hours. The July and November meeting will be conference call with all others being face to face. The September meeting will be held in Carrington. Lot of things pending until the new chancellor comes on board. At the request of Dr. Shirvani, Stage II academic requests have been put on hold until the July meeting.

Interim Committee – There is a meeting today in Bismarck. Main purpose of the discussion is performance funding. July meeting will be in Williston.

Board – The board will meet in Fargo this week. Most of items been removed from agenda until after July 1. There will be campus presentations on major capital projects. Deadline to submit budget requests has been delayed a month until Dr. Shirvani joins the office. There will be a large turnover on the board.

Admission Matrix – The council had open discussion on the admission matrix information requested by Dr. Shirvani.

NDHECSAP – Vangsness Frisch said that the consortium did meet in May to go through the strategic plan. They did identify priorities. One of the priorities would be to continue to sustain her position and the graduate research position. She will share the final report at the July meeting. Did have great discussion on EDGAR 86 regulations. Vangsness Frisch said the medical marijuana initiative was approved by the Secretary of State to get on the November
ballot. She did share a list of the sponsoring committee members. She answered questions and concerns from the council. The consortium will provide some talking points for what this will mean for ND and our campuses. The consortium will also provide a recommendation on this issue to the council. Vetter said that NDSA will be taking a stance against medical marijuana. Vangsness Frisch said that the Youth Risk Survey did come out. This was conducted in the Spring of 2011. ND is below the national average for marijuana usage.

**Retention Summit** – Vangsness Frisch gave a briefing on the Retention Summit evaluation survey. She passed information on the results of the evaluation survey to the council. She said that 158 attended the summit in May. Vangsness Frisch said that many attendees thought the information was valuable and would attend again. The council discussed plans for next year’s summit.

**NDSA** – Jennifer Vetter introduced herself to the council. She said there was nothing new to report at this time. The NDSA is waiting to hear who the new student representative will be on the board.

Lydia Dvorshak shared with the council that Hal Haynes had resigned from DSU to complete his doctoral program.

**Student Health Insurance** – Hillman said that the Blue Cross Blue Shield plan has been negotiated and submitted to the State Insurance Department. We are working on getting everything in place for the students this fall. Students are getting a great deal at a lower cost to them.

**NDUS Policies and Procedures** – Hillman went through SBHE Policy 402.9: Admission Policies International Students. This policy is still under discussion and there are continuous improvements being made to it. Hillman went through the policy matrix that was put together by the system office. The matrix is a continually being worked on and changing.

The council discussed the process for the admissions application. The council asked to clarify the review process that is being used and who is involved with the admission application revisions. He said that we have data needs at the system level and they also need to be addressed. Hillman asked council members to go back to their campus Admission FUG person and discuss these issues with them. Hillman said that it is the campus responsibility to appoint the best person for the Admission FUG group.

**SAC Orientation** – Vangsness Frisch gave a run down of what to expect at the SAC orientation.

Hillman said that we will make arrangements to have Dr. Shirvani address the council at the August 9 meeting if possible.

The next council meeting will be on July 12, 2012 via conference call.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30.