1. **Issue:** Dickinson State University (DSU) has submitted the following program termination Stage II requests:
   - **Business Programs**
     - Minor in Banking and Finance, CIP Code 52.0803
     - Minor in Entrepreneurship, CIP Code 52.0701
     - Minor in Human Resource Management, CIP Code 52.1001
     - Minor in International Business, CIP Code 52.1101
     - Minor in Management, CIP Code 52.0201
     - Minor in Management Information Systems, CIP Code 52.1201
     - Minor in Marketing, CIP Code 52.1801
     - Minor in Office Administration, CIP Code 52.0401
   - **Natural Sciences**
     - Major in Environmental Health, CIP Code 51.2201
     - Major in Biology (Professional Option), CIP Code 26.0101
     - Major in Biology (Wildlife Biology Option), CIP Code 26.0101

2. **Proposed actions:** Approve/deny the Stage II requests of DSU to terminate the above list of programs.

3. **Background information:** All of the 11 minors listed above are the result of re-evaluating program requirements and streamlining curriculum at DSU. As a result, these 11 minors are no longer required for the various programs. Rather, students are encouraged to explore these various areas of study more flexibly through elective credit. These minors were placed on inactive status in August, 2014 and no new students have been admitted since then. Nearly all of the minors have no students currently enrolled. Any of these minors with students currently enrolled are nearing completion and/or are permitted to enroll in existing coursework to complete the minor.

4. **Financial implications:** Negligible financial savings. Some of the courses will continue be offered to support major programs of study.

5. **Legal/policy issues:** State Board of Higher Education (SBHE) Policy 403.1.1, Program Approval, states, “Academic program termination requires approval of the Board of Higher Education.”

6. **Academic issues:** No academic issues were raised at the April 5, 2017, Academic Affairs Council (AAC) meeting.

7. **Coordination:** On April 5, 2017, the AAC voted unanimously to recommend approval of the Stage II requests for review by the Chancellor’s Cabinet and advance to the SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee/SBHE for approval/denial.
8. **Attachments:** The Stage II requests are attached.

9. **Contact information:** Richard M. Rothaus, Ph.D., Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, NDUS. Ph: 701-328-4136/email: richard.rothaus@ndus.edu.

10. **Chancellor’s recommendation:** Chancellor recommends approval.