Summary of Proposed Action  
ND State Board of Higher Education  
Meeting – May 15, 2017

1. **Issue:** North Dakota State University (NDSU) has submitted the following program termination Stage II requests:
   - Minor in Health Communication, CIP Code 09.0905, and,

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

3. **Background information:** If approved, both the minor and degrees (B.A./B.S) in Health Communication would become a minor in NDSU’s Strategic Communication program with a health communication/campaigns emphasis.

4. **Financial implications:** None cited.

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 May 3, 2017, Academic Affairs Council (AAC) meeting.

7. **Coordination:** On May 3, 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 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:** Reviewed at the May 10, 2017 Chancellor Cabinet meeting. Chancellor recommends approval.