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North Dakota State Board of Higher Education
Governance Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday May 9, 2017

The State Board of Higher Education Governance Committee met Thursday, May 9, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. CT, at the Capitol, 10th floor Conference room, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505.

Chair Ness called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. CT.

Members Present:
Mr. Mike Ness (Chair)
Mr. Nick Hacker
Dr. Kevin Melicher

Others Present:
Dr. Mark Hagerott, Chancellor
Ms. Kristie Hetzler, NDUS
Mr. Ryan Jockers, NDUS
Dr. Tisa Mason, VCSU
Dr. Dean Bresciani, NDSU

1. Agenda
Melicher moved, Hacker seconded, to approve the agenda.

Hacker, Melicher and Ness voted yes.

2. Meeting Minutes
Hacker moved, Melicher seconded, to approve the April 20, 2017, meeting minutes.

Melicher, Hacker and Ness voted yes.

3. President contract terms
Chancellor Hagerott gave an overview of a concept to stagger Presidential evaluations. Staggering the evaluations would spread the workload throughout the year that would result in more robust evaluations. After discussion, the committee members requested the current process of renewing Presidential contracts remain as rolling one year contracts. The Chancellor clarified it is not his intention to extend the length of Presidential contracts. The contracts would remain a rolling one year contract and only the time of year the evaluations are done would be staggered. Chair Ness requested the Chancellor receives input from the Chancellor’s Cabinet and bring it back to the Committee for further consideration.
4. **Board Assessment**  
Tisa Mason reviewed proposed Board assessment options. A representative from the system office will call Board members and perform an evaluation. The information will be summarized and the Board will be informed of results.

Hacker moved, Melicher seconded, to recommend approval of the Board assessment and self-reflection.

Melicher, Hacker and Ness voted yes.

5. **Board Member Orientation**  
Board orientation materials will be dispersed to all Board members. New Board members will participate in a one-on-one orientation with system office staff. Other Board members can request, as needed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. CT.