## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## Tentative Agenda

## HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Wednesday and Thursday, October 5-6, 2005 Williston State College and Williston Research Extension Center, Williston, North Dakota Dickinson State University and Dickinson Research Extension Center, Dickinson, North Dakota

Wednesday, October 5, 2005 - Meeting and budget tour - Williston State College, 1410 University Avenue, and Williston Research Extension Center, 14120 Highway 2, Williston (The committee will begin its meeting in the Alumni Room, Health Science and Sports Complex, Williston State College.)

9:00 a.m. Call to order

Roll call

Consideration of minutes from the July 12, 2005, meeting

9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of Williston State College regarding:

- An overview of the campus
- Campus initiatives and programs, including information on unique and special interest programs and workforce education and training partnerships and programs
- Campus responses to the following main themes that emerged from the June 2004 Higher Education Roundtable meeting:

Meeting the rapidly changing education and training needs of business and industry, including the need for enhanced soft skills development

Communicating and sustaining the vision of the Higher Education Roundtable within the campus and with public stakeholders

- An analysis of current enrollment information, including information on the number of students served on campus versus the number of students served through distance education methods and information on short- and long-term enrollment strategies and plans for responding to the demographic trends in North Dakota over the next 10 years
- Funding challenges and opportunities for state investment, including information on centers of excellence
- Status of any capital improvements for the 2005-07 biennium and anticipated 2007-09 capital improvement needs

11:00 a.m. Budget tour of Williston State College facilities

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

12:45 p.m. Travel to the Williston Research Extension Center, 14120 Highway 2, Williston

1:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Williston Research Extension Center regarding the center's programs, status of the 2005-07 budget, status of 2005-07

capital improvements, and anticipated budget needs for the 2007-09 biennium

1:30 p.m. Budget tour of Williston Research Extension Center facilities

2:15 p.m. Recess - Travel to Dickinson

Thursday, October 6, 2005 - Meeting and budget tour - Dickinson State University and Dickinson Research Extension Center, 291 Campus Drive, Dickinson (The committee will begin its meeting in the South Ballroom, Student Center, Dickinson State University.)

8:00 a.m. (MDT) Presentation by the consultant selected by the Legislative Council to conduct the higher education funding and accountability study

9:00 a.m.

Presentation by representatives of Dickinson State University regarding:

- An overview of the campus
- Campus initiatives and programs, including information on unique and special interest programs and workforce education and training partnerships and programs
- Campus responses to the following main themes that emerged from the June 2004 Higher Education Roundtable meeting:

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11:00 a.m.

Presentation by a representative of the Dickinson Research Extension Center regarding the center's programs, status of the 2005-07 budget, status of 2005-07 capital improvements, and anticipated budget needs for the 2007-09 biennium

11:30 a.m. Luncheon recess

12:00 noon Budget tour of Dickinson State University facilities

1:00 p.m. Murphy Hall Celebration

1:30 p.m. Adjourn

## **Committee Members**

Senators Ray Holmberg (Chairman), Tim Flakoll, Tony Grindberg, Nicholas P. Hacker, Ed Kringstad, Elroy N. Lindaas, Dave Nething, David O'Connell

Representatives Ole Aarsvold, Larry Bellew, Tom Brusegaard, Lois Delmore, Mary Ekstrom, Kathy Hawken, Nancy Johnson, Andrew G. Maragos, Bob Martinson, Darrell D. Nottestad, Mark S. Owens, Earl Rennerfeldt, Steven L. Zaiser