NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday and Wednesday, September 9-10, 2008 Missouri Room, Student Union, Minot State University Minot, North Dakota

Tuesday, September 9, 2008

9:00 a.m.	Call to order
	Roll call

Consideration of the minutes of the August 20, 2008, meeting

9:05 a.m. Welcome and comments by Dr. David Fuller, President, Minot State University

STUDY OF THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO ARE DEAF OR HEARING-IMPAIRED

- 9:15 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Public Instruction regarding recommendations provided in a report of deaf and hearing-impaired educational options prepared by the National Center on Severe and Sensory Disabilities at the University of Northern Colorado
- 10:00 a.m. Comments by representatives of the School for the Deaf regarding the National Center on Severe and Sensory Disabilities report and recommendations
- 10:10 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Minot State University's North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities regarding its services provided to hearing-impaired persons, the number of persons served, and future plans for providing services
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff regarding governing structures, per student costs, and local school district aid for the education of hearing-impaired persons in other states
- 10:50 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Souris Valley Special Services regarding services provided to deaf or hearing-impaired students in local school districts and the number of deaf or hearing-impaired students served
- 11:10 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff regarding information on the transition of North Dakota Vision Services School for the Blind from a residential program to a day/outreach program
- 11:20 a.m. Presentation by the Department of Public Instruction regarding the feasibility of combining the administration of the School for the Deaf with local school districts, regional education associations, or North Dakota Vision Services School for the Blind
- 11:35 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the School for the Deaf regarding:
 - Unduplicated number of persons served by programs of the School for the Deaf
 - Information on college completion of School for the Deaf graduates
 - Options for providing additional revenue-generating programs, including the estimated cost of implementing these programs
 - The vision for the future of the school, including a prioritization of proposals
- 11:50 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the study
- 11:55 a.m. Committee discussion

12:00 noon	Luncheon recess
1:00 p.m.	HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY Presentation by the Legislative Council staff regarding a history of Higher Education Roundtable recommendations, requirements of a higher education accountability report, and previous interim Higher Education Committee-recommended bills
1:20 p.m.	Presentation by the Legislative Council staff regarding the estimated cost of implementing an incentive program for the completion of college programs
1:30 p.m.	Comments by a representative of the North Dakota Student Association regarding committee actions
1:40 p.m.	Comments by a representative of the University of North Dakota TRIO Programs regarding committee actions
1:50 p.m.	Presentation by a representative of the University of North Dakota College of Nursing regarding workforce needs of nursing in the state
2:05 p.m.	Presentation by a representative of the Department of Commerce regarding the strategic plans of the Workforce Development Council and the relationship with higher education and an update on Workforce Committee actions
2:35 p.m.	Continuation of discussion facilitated by Mr. Dennis Jones, National Center for Higher Education Management Systems, regarding higher education finance policy
4:30 p.m.	Committee discussion
5:00 p.m.	Recess
Wednesday, September 10, 2008	
8:30 a.m.	Discussion facilitated by Mr. Jones regarding the development of committee recommendations
11:30 a.m.	Review of the Higher Education Roundtable and the mechanism for continuing the roundtable process
12:00 noon	Luncheon recess

1:00 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives

3:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Ken Svedjan (Chairman), Lois Delmore, Kathy Hawken, RaeAnn G. Kelsch, Matthew M. Klein, Bob Martinson, Jasper Schneider, Bob Skarphol, John D. Wall, Clark Williams Senators Ray Holmberg, Karen K. Krebsbach, Elroy N. Lindaas, Dave Nething, Dave Oehlke, Tracy Potter, Larry J. Robinson