

Approved
University Cabinet Minutes
June 17, 2026

Present: Steven Shirley, Kevin Harmon, Rick Hedberg, Corey Gorder, David Soars, Krista Lambrecht, Michael Linnell, Amanda Francis, Hilory Liccini, Lisa Haman, Darren Olson, Aundrey Livingston, Andy Heitkamp, Deb Haman, Tiffany Heth, Cole Krueger, Melissa Cantone, Heather Martin, Nathan Anderson, Laurie Weber, Jim Strum, Leon Perszinski, Cari Olson, Jonelle Watson, Laurie Geller, Michelle Sayler, Courtenay Brekhus

Absent: Lori Garnes, Krista Permentier, Jacek Mrozik, Jeremy Feller, Maleeha Latif, Paul Brekke, Jolene Nichiporenko, Lisa Haman, Rebecca Ringham, Sara Abrahamson, Janna Mckechnie, Katy Allers, Karina Stander, Lisa Dooley, Maggie Backen

Approval of minutes: April 22, 2026, meeting minutes approved as presented.

New Business

1. Senate Reports

SGA

Faculty Senate

Staff Senate

- Staff Senate held their first meeting: June 16
- Staff Senate now have a dedicated section in Public Information
- Staff Senate will host Fall Kick Off on August 27th
- Staff Senate Auction will be held April 12, 2027

2. President's Report

- Congratulation Rick Heit on being awarded Staff Satisfaction Award
- Condolences offered to Bethany Andreason
- Budget Forum – still working on tightening up in areas, better shape than last year at this time
- Alumni and Foundation office hosted an Alumni Event in Fargo on June 11
- Searching to fill a few faculty positions before the fall term
- State Board is looking at low enrolled programs continuing to get attention across the NDUS
- Plans are moving forward with the Downtown Health Center West building
- Upcoming meeting with the Minot City Council: Seeking MAGIC Fund support for engineering program equipment and student scholarships. If funding is approved, Minot State will submit an additional request to the North Dakota Higher Education Challenge Grant Committee for a 50% matching grant.

Acknowledgements/Announcements:

Student Affairs/ICA – Student Center project on track for August 15 completion, potential furniture delays; 4 finalists for the Coordinator of Native American Center & Culture Programs position; working on alcohol and risk management policies; search for Women's Hockey Coach is underway

Advancement –upcoming donor visits in Seattle, Portland and Minnesota; working with facilities and IT to update three classrooms in Old Main; kudos to C. Brekhus for the work on the gala – record breaking fundraising

DCB – hosted 50 years of hockey – over 100 alumni attended; registration and admission employees are on campus for staff training; focus is our budget right now – working with J. Watson and K. Lambrecht; hired Paul Cossette in the foundation director position

Facilities – nursing department classroom expansion will begin June 22; Dakota Hall is finishing up dirt work; Lura Manor bathroom upgrades are in progress; three Old Main classroom receiving a facelift; Health Center West building is in the works; Memorial Auditorium receiving upgrades; Hoffman Auditorium upgrades will begin December; engineering space is progressing

VPFA – FY27 budget has been uploaded; budget and finance committee discussing the Fall census FTE, reflected in the current proposal; other topics under discussion include the \$75 million deferred maintenance request across the university system; anticipated funding levels for higher education in the next biennium, and dual-credit programming.

UComm – President's Report in progress; university communications closed Thursday June 18 – hosting Public Affairs Council, representatives from the 11 institutions and the NDUS office will be in attendance

NDCPD – R. Miner hired as an accountant; upcoming meeting in Bismarck to meet with Cramer and Fedorcheck team; consumer advisory committee meets discuss a 5-year plan

IT – e-waste due by end of July; busy preparing for fall term

Security – summer theater will have a dedicated officer around during event nights; will be attending a Maxient Conference

MRC – completed VA GI bill; Military Resource Center will be closed on June 22 and 23 for training

Student Health – total counseling visits 701; total outreach visits 56; total medical appointments (Northland and Student Health Center) 595; serenity suite visit 465; TimelyCare enrolled students 275; total completed counseling visits 189; unique member visits 45; afterhours/weekend visits 58%; digital selfcare: total minutes spent: 298, self-care total engagement:192, Self-care unique member: 35

Marketing – Public Affairs Council Summer Retreat on campus June 18; participated in the STEM Expo - Kudos to D. Erisman and T. Hiatt; upcoming events: ND State Fair Parade, July 19, Family Day at the North Dakota State Fair, July 21, Back to School Bash, early August

Registrar – spring graduates are posted

TRiO & ASC – preparing for fall events; working on registration and advising; T.Wolf was in Bismarck for a Starfish training; L. Bertsch was in Grand Forks for NDUS career Services Conference

Financial Aid – working on mandatory changes to prorate loan eligibility for parttime students; working with Registrar's office to implement HighPoint course Auditor

Loogengya – August 24, New Student Orientation

Student Activities – planning for the upcoming academic year

VPAA – searches are underway for faculty positions in philosophy, engineering, computer science, music education, and psychology; K. Higginson will be departing MSU; strategic planning is in progress

Business Office – work in progress on biennial budget for Minot State and Dakota College at Bottineau

Enrollment – planning process has begun for fall and spring events; A. Woodbeck now in Enrollment Services Office; fall enrollment is ongoing

Alumni – busy with summer events: golf tour events, Fargo social, NDSF parade, NDSF Luau, and Citizen's Alley event; Homecoming will take place the week of September 11-19

Adjourned at 10:00

Respectfully submitted, Sydney Yale