

Minutes of the State Soil Conservation Committee Meeting



July 1, 2026

via Zoom

A meeting of the North Dakota State Soil Conservation Committee was called to order at 1:03 p.m. by David Hill, Chair.

Committee Members and guests present:

Emily Montgomery – *SSCC, Area I Supervisor*

Chris Walberg – *SSCC, Area II Supervisor*

David Hill – *SSCC, Area III Supervisor, Chair*

Bob Martin – *SSCC, Area IV Supervisor*

Mary Podoll – *SSCC Appointee, Vice Chair*

Bruce Schmidt – *SSCC Appointee*

Paula Comeau – *NDSU Extension Program Coordinator*

Lindy Berg – *NDSU Extension Area Program Coordinator*

Amber Fetch – *ND State Soil Conservation Committee*

Administrative Assistant

Committee Members absent:

Jess O'Brien – *SSCC, Area V Supervisor*

Discuss Committee's Findings Regarding Potential Agency Partners

- Discussion of the final report draft sent to Committee members.
- Committee members suggested edits to the report draft.
 - Mary suggested adding a "moving forward" section at the end of the report noting that the SSCC recognizes the need to be more visible to districts and offer more transparency in funding.
- Discussion of next steps.
 - Paula and Amber will apply suggested edits to the report draft and share another draft with the SSCC via email before finalizing the draft.
 - The final report will be shared with all members of the Subcommittee on this project, NDASCD leadership, and NDSU Extension leadership.

Next Committee Meeting:

The next SSCC board meeting will be Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. CT in Morrill Hall at NDSU in Fargo, ND.

Adjournment:

David called to adjourn the meeting at 1:24 p.m.