

## Advisory Board for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2018, 5:15 pm

Meinecke Boardroom

**Members present:** C Hagen (for A. Emmons), A. Nuutinen, B. Hogie, E. Ewen, M. Russell, M. Wenzel, I. Kamara, I. Wognin, D. Fettig, R. Bergh, S. Beck, M. Bauer, C. Gross, L. Oster-Aaland, M. Skoy, B. Lonbaken

**Member absent:** A. Asperin

**Guest:** Marc Wallman, Vice President for IT/CIO

Chair Fettig welcomed members to the meeting and introduction of members followed.

Schedule Planner finding: Oster-Aaland referenced the information presented by Andrea Hein at the last ABSA meeting regarding the cost of Schedule Planner as it is currently paid for by transcript fees. NDSA is addressing the issue of not charging a transcript fee for transcripts exchanged within the NDUS. Registrar Rhonda Kitch has indicated there may be additional institutional funds to cover the cost. Question raised: If there's no transcript fee, would we still have Schedule Planner? The answer was yes.

VP Wallman addressed the statewide blackboard transition. The plan is for all 11 NDUS campuses to move to one NDUS Blackboard learning management system. The goal is to create a unified experience for faculty and students across the campuses and University System. May 2018 is the tentative date for NDSU to move into the consolidated Blackboard system. UND is currently on the system; it's not going well in that faculty and students are experiencing problems, there's down time, and the system is slow. There will be a meeting Wednesday to determine the future of NDSU's move to the system. Wallman indicated currently NDSU controls its Blackboard; however, IT would continue to provide support should the move happen. A suggestion has been made that the system have one contract but NDSU and UND would own their own instances of Blackboard. This would still meet the intent of legislation to unify services, while allowing NDSU and UND to maintain autonomy and meet the unique needs of each campus.

Wenzel indicated he met with UND's student body president on this topic. Last night Student Senate took a stand regarding concerns with the Blackboard performance issues.

Clicker update: IT is looking into costs of a contract for one clicker system as students don't want multiple systems. Open forums will be coming up. An RFP should be in place fall semester. Students welcome this initiative. Cost of licenses/contracts and different systems discussed.

Topics for the year: Open Educational Resources (OER), with a recommendation that Beth Twomey (Library) be invited or a panel of individuals present.

Wenzel announced that Student Government will be accepting applications for projects until February 16, 2018 at 5:00 pm. Projects are to benefit the student body and have a life expectancy of more than two years. Projects submitted should not exceed \$5,000 in total expenses. If questions, contact Wenzel.

Meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm. Next meeting is Monday, February 26 at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Lonbaken