
Members absent: N. Abdelhamid and A. Stangel both had proxies in attendance

Guests: Patricia Dirk, Director of Student Health Service
        Mike Ellingson, Director of Facilities Management
        Bruce Bollinger, Vice President for Business and Finance

Meeting called to order by Jamie Beyhmer, chairperson at 5:00 pm.

Mike Ellingson, Director of Facilities Management gave an update on campus projects and shared information about the department.

The campus of NDSU includes 98 buildings, of which approximately 50% were built over 50 years ago. Approximately 10 buildings were constructed about 90 years ago. NDSU submits a master plan to the University System Office every 6 years, with the capital projects portion updated every 2 years. The 2016 plan includes projects requested from state appropriated funds including Dunbar Hall, the Sudro Addition, and deferred maintenance projects on various buildings. Requests for bonded projects included a new residence hall and the replacement of University Village. Bonded projects require Legislative approval. Also included are projects that will be funded through local dollars, such as the privatizing of residence hall lavatories, cook-to-order stations in the Residence Dining Center, kitchen renovation and roof replacement for Residence Dining Center, and expanded seating in the West Dining Center. The Churchill Hall renovation will begin at the conclusion of the fall 2016 semester. The interior will be completely renovated and is scheduled to reopen in August 2017.

Snow removal is a very large task, requiring approximately 12 hours and 12-15 staff members to complete. NDSU has approximately 80 acres of parking lots, 6 miles of streets and 25 miles of sidewalk.

Parking usage is watched very closely to maximize availability of spaces. All improvements to parking lots are funded through permit sales revenue.

Bruce Bollinger, Vice President for Finance and Administration discussed what we may anticipate in the coming legislative session.
NDSU has a budget of approximately $450 million dollars. Currently, we anticipate a budget reduction in the amount of general funds requested for the coming biennium. At this point it’s too early to know what the budget will really look like. Updated forecasts will be available right before the legislative session begins. Forecasts are really driven by commodity prices.

We don’t anticipate changes in the funding formula. Using a cost per credit hour calculation puts all campuses in the system on the same level; as credit hours increase, funding should increase proportionately.

Patricia Dirk, Director of Student Health Service presented the request for an increase in the Student Health Fee for the 2017-18 academic year. See attached powerpoint for details.

Fee request proposal was presented to Advisory board for Student Wellness. ABSA also provides feedback on the request prior to submitting to the Student Fee Advisory Board.

The Student Health Service is a primary care facility, offering a full range of services for students. The SHS is supported by student fees and sales/service revenues, receiving no additional funding from other sources. The student fee has not been adjusted annually for inflation. The last major increase occurred in 2010 and last year the SHS received $.54 increase. Patty indicated the department is always looking for cost reduction and containment opportunities (i.e. work study; cross training staff for various functions).

During the 2015-16 academic year, clinic visits totaled 12,035 as compared to 9,989 in the 2013-14 academic year. This represents an increase in visits of approximately 20% while maintaining fairly consistent enrollment, and consequently little to no increase in overall funding.

The requested fee increase is necessary to sustain operations of the Student Health Service. The current fee is $5.29 per credit with a maximum of $63.48 per semester per student. Some campuses charge a co-pay for visits, however NDSU currently does not. Students only pay for specific services or procedures, and for pharmaceutical needs.

The request is for an additional $1.20/credit. Last year’s request was approved with understanding that the SHS would be requesting an additional fee increase for FY 18.

Article Discussion – From Involvement to Engagement: The Difference is the Outcomes.

Guided Reflection Questions:

- Is there a difference between involvement and engagement?
- What are some “high impact” practices for engagement at NDSU?
- How important is reflection?
- How might NDSU “nudge” more students to participate in “high impact” practices?
- What role can faculty play in this process?
Next meeting January 23, 2017 at 5:00 pm in the Meinecke Board Room
Guests: Rian Nostrum, Director of Residence Life
       Darren Peterson, Director of NDSU Dining
       Michael Harwood, Assistant Dean of Student Life and Auxiliary Services

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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