TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE AND TOPICS FOR THE
HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING COMMITTEE

Meeting Number	Date	Meeting Topics
1	August 6, 2013	**Committee Organization and the Status of Higher Education** 1. Committee organization and study background memorandums 2. Overview of the status of higher education 3. Overview of the status of higher education funding 4. Update on the status of the North Dakota University System 5. Receive the University System December 2012 Accountability Measures Report
2	September 2013	**Higher Education Finance** 1. Review National Association of State Budget Officers report on higher education funding 2. Fundamentals of higher education finance, including revenues, expenses, and fund balances 3. Overview of the adjusted student credit hour funding model adopted by the 2013 Legislative Assembly 4. Overview of higher education budgeting process based on the student credit hour funding model 5. Overview of University System internal auditing processes 6. Review of options for performance funding distributions
3	December 2013	**Relationships with K-12 Education and Student Tuition/Fees** 1. Overview of common core standards for K-12 education 2. Update on the Pathways to Student Success program and the connection with K-12 standards including how student success in college will be reported to high schools 3. Receive information regarding student performance in college including remedial education rates and graduation rates 4. Receive report on statewide longitudinal data system and the usefulness of data 5. Overview of tuition and fees 6. Receive national and state student loan and debt information 7. Receive report on North Dakota Academic and CTE scholarship programs 8. Review Sallie Mae Report regarding how students pay for higher education
4	January 2014	**Intellectual Property** 1. Joint meeting with Judiciary committee regarding institution policies and procedures relating to intellectual property 2. Overview of University System research component 3. Reports from selected research fields regarding the use of research in industry applications

Meeting Number	Date	Meeting Topics
5	April 2014	**Open Textbooks** 1. Receive report from the University System regarding efforts to use open textbooks and open courses 2. Receive the December 2013 University System Accountability Measures report 3. Continued discussion of options for performance funding distributions 4. Continued discussion of intellectual property policies and procedures 5. Receive report from the State Board of Higher Education regarding the status of the implementation of Chapter 15-18.1 relating to the authorization to operate private postsecondary degree granting institutions
6	June 2014	**Facilities and Infrastructure** 1. Discussion on facilities including anticipated facility needs for the 2015-17 biennium 2. Review options for funding facilities 3. Receive update on plans for projects approved by the 2013 Legislative Assembly 4. Receive update on any other projects that have not already been discussed 5. Receive an update on the status of the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences Advisory Council report 6. Receive report on 2013-15 biennium distributions from the University System performance funding pool 7. Continued discussion on performance funding and intellectual property if needed 8. Discuss any proposed legislation needed to implement committee recommendations
7	August 2014	**Finalization of Committee Work** 1. Continue discussion on higher education funding 2. Finalize any proposed legislation needed to implement committee recommendations 3. Receive report on tribal college assistance grants 4. Receive report on the status of the Higher Education challenge fund matching grant program
All Meetings		1. Receive updates on the status of the University System issues as needed 2. Receive a report on local campus issues if a meeting is held on a campus