

# Administration and Faculty

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## North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education is a constitutional body created by a vote of the people of North Dakota in 1938 and is charged with the governance of the North Dakota Higher Education System, of which Minot State University is a part.

### Members of the Board

Mr. Kevin Black, '26 Minot Chair  
 Ms. Danita Bye, '26 Stanley  
 Mr. Patrick Sogard, '29 Williston  
 Mr. Tim Mihalick, '27 Minot  
 Ms. Michelle Kommer '26 Fargo  
 Mr. Maxwell Eriksrud, '26 Student Member  
 Mr. Donald Campbell, '28 Bismarck  
 Mr. Curtis Biller, '27 Fargo  
 Dr. Lisa Montplaisir, '26 Faculty Advisor  
 Ms. Anna Kinney, '29 Staff Advisor

### Officers of the University

Dr. Steven W. Shirley, President  
 Dr. Laurie Geller, Vice President for Academic Affairs  
 Mr. Rick Hedberg, Vice President for Advancement  
 Ms. Krista Lambrecht, Vice President for Administration & Finance  
 Mr. Kevin Harmon, Vice President for Student Affairs & Intercollegiate Athletics  
 Ms. Jonelle Watson, Assistant Vice President, Business Services/Controller  
 Dr. Daniel Ringrose, Interim Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs

### Minot State University Board of Regents

The Board of Regents is an advisory board which is designed to facilitate the positive growth and development of Minot State University. This select group of influential individuals provides valuable input and guidance by participation in the University's ongoing strategic planning process. The Board of Regents also works with university administrators to accomplish specifically identified projects and activities.

### Executive Committee

Ms. Brekka Kramer, Executive Chair  
 Mr. Tom Rafferty, Past Chair  
 Mr. Kent Kirkhammer, Chair Elect  
 Dr. Steven W. Shirley, MSU President  
 Ms. Krista Lambrecht, Treasurer  
 Mr. Rick Hedberg, Secretary  
 Mr. Randy Burckhard, Member at Large

### Minot State University Development Foundation

The MSU Development Foundation is an independent, nonprofit 501 (c)(3) I.R.C., organization which has been established for the purpose of soliciting, receiving, and managing resources for the benefit of Minot State University. The foundation seeks funding from all appropriate external sources to supplement state appropriations, strengthen endowments, enhance scholarship opportunities, and insure the highest level of educational programming for Minot State University. The four standing committees of the foundation are:

1. Investment Advisory Committee
2. Special Gifts Committee
3. Development Strategies Committee
4. Nominating Committee

### Executive Committee

Mr. Jon Backes '84, President  
 Mr. Dan Langemo, Vice President  
 Dr. Steven W. Shirley, MSU President  
 Ms. Krista Lambrecht, Treasurer

Mr. Rick Hedberg 89, Executive Director  
Mr. Dan Langemo, Investment Advisory Committee  
Mr. Robert Sando, Special Gifts Committee  
Mr. Tom Probst, Development Strategies Committee  
Ms. Leslie Coughlin, '11, Nominating Committee

## Minot State University Alumni Association

The MSU Alumni Association is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) I.R.C. organization whose mission is to “promote positive relationships that encourage alumni, students, community, and friends to be actively and emotionally identified with Minot State University.” The Alumni Association Board of Directors works closely with the MSU Director of Alumni Relations to accomplish this by sponsoring various special programs and events, such as regional gatherings, reunions, the annual MSU GALA Dinner and Auction, Golden Awards Banquet, travel programs, and the publication of the magazine “Connections.” There are no membership dues. Each graduating class is entered in the Alumni database and current addresses are maintained. The Alumni Office is part of the University Advancement team.

## Executive Committee

Ms. Dannielle Rued, '13 President  
Ms. McKenna Gudmunson, '13 Vice President for Outreach  
Mr. Matt Yale, '15 Vice President for Promotions  
Ms. Jamie Hammer, '05 Vice President for Events

## Minot State University Office of University Advancement

The Office of University Advancement has been established on the campus of Minot State University to oversee and coordinate all alumni, development efforts. The Vice President for Advancement serves as the chief advancement officer, reports directly to the President of the University, and supervises the activities of the Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving, Donor Relations Officer, Major Gifts Officer, and Office of Design and Print Services. The advancement office is responsible for creating and maintaining a positive public image for the University, cultivating meaningful relationships with the institution's various constituencies, and developing external resources from all available sources.

## Accreditation

Minot State University is accredited by:

1. The Higher Learning Commission A Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools  
30 North LaSalle St, Suite 2400  
Chicago, IL 60602-2504
2. National Council for the Accreditation of Education Preparation  
1140 19th ST NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20036  
Washington, DC 20036-1023
3. National Association of Schools of Music  
11250 Roger Bacon Dr, Suite 21  
Reston, VA 20190
4. National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission  
1001 North Fairfax Street, Suite 201  
Alexandria, VA 22314
5. Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language Hearing Association  
2200 Research Boulevard, #310  
Rockville, MD 20852-3279
6. Council on Social Work Education Baccalaureate level  
1600 Duke St.  
Alexandria, VA 22314-3421
7. Accreditation Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education  
655 K Street NW, Suite 750  
Washington, DC 20001
8. National Association of School Psychologists  
PO Box 791089  
Baltimore, MD 21279-1089
9. International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education  
PO Box 25217  
Overland, KS 66215