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NORTHWEST TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Affirmative Action Plan

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**I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Review revealed underutilization of the following protected group(s) in the following job categories:

Table 1. Underutilization Analysis of Protected Groups

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Once approved, information about how to obtain or view a copy of this plan will be provided to every employee of the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College. Our intention is that every employee to is aware of Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s commitments to affirmative action and equal employment opportunity. The plan will also be posted on the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s website and maintained in the Human Resources/Affirmative Action Office.

This Affirmative Action Plan meets the requirements as set forth by Minnesota Management and Budget, and contains affirmative action goals and timetables, as well as reasonable and sufficiently assertive hiring and retention methods for achieving these goals.

*Mary Ward*
Affirmative Action Officer or Designee  
*7/17/14*  
 *(date)*

*Marjorie Cloutier*
Human Resources Director or Designee  
*7/17/2014*  
 *(date)*

*President*  
*7/17/2014*  
 *(date)*
II. STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

Vision: We educate people to lead inspired lives.

Mission: We create an innovative, interdisciplinary and highly accessible learning environment committed to student success and a sustainable future of our communities, state and planet. Through the transformative power of the liberal arts, education in the professions, and robust engagement of our students, we instill and promote service to others, preservation of the earth, and respect and appreciation for the diverse peoples of our region and world.

Bemidji State University and its sister aligned organization, Northwest Technical College, are committed to conducting all human resources and educational activities without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, marital status, disability, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, or membership or activity in a local commission as defined by law. The adopted vision and mission support and emphasize that commitment. Personnel activities include, but are not limited to: recruitment, selection, placement, employee development, promotion, retention, compensation, leaves of absence, disciplinary action, transfer, demotion, termination, and layoffs affecting all employees and job applicants. Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College will not tolerate discrimination on the basis of these protected class categories in accordance with all state and federal equal opportunity/affirmative action laws, directives, orders and regulations.

One of three Bemidji State University shared fundamental values speaks to our focus of international and multicultural understanding. The other three shared values include civic engagement and leadership, environmental stewardship, and the belief in the power of the liberal arts.

Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College are committed to implementation of this affirmative action plan and fully support the State of Minnesota’s affirmative action efforts. Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College will implement and maintain an affirmative action program that takes aggressive measures to eliminate internal barriers to equal opportunity and that strives to remedy the historical under representation in the employment, retention and promotion of qualified persons with disabilities, persons of color, and women.

It is the policy of Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College to actively pursue equal employment practices during all phases of the employment process. In that spirit, Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College will continue to seek opportunities to maximize the selection and retention of protected group employees by:

- continuing to actively and aggressively recruit protected group applicants;
- continuing affirmative action training for employees, with an emphasis on those serving on selection committees; and, by
- supporting affirmative measures to retain protected group employees.

I believe that only through aggressive recruitment, selection, and retention of protected class members can Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College comply with this commitment to affirmative action and demonstrate to our University and College community our concern for basic fairness; the desire to overcome prejudice; and the necessity of making special efforts to ensure the greater participation of underutilized group members in all facets of our community.

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Richard A. Hanson, President

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June 30, 2014

Date
III. INDIVIDUALS RESPONSIBLE FOR DIRECTING/IMPLEMENTING THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN

A. College/University President
   Richard Hanson, President, Deputy 304, 218.755.2011, rhanson@bemidjistate.edu

   Responsibilities:
   The President is responsible for the establishment of an Affirmative Action Plan that complies with all federal and state laws and regulations.

   Duties:
   The duties of the President shall include, but are not limited to the following:

   - Appoint the Affirmative Action Officer or designee and include accountability for the administration of Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s Affirmative Action Plan in his or her position description;

   - Take action, if needed, on complaints of discrimination and harassment;

   - Ensure the Affirmative Action Plan is effectively communicated to all employees on an annual basis;

   - Make decisions and changes in policy, procedures, or accommodations as needed to facilitate effective affirmative action and equal employment opportunity;

   - Actively promote equal opportunity employment; and

   - Require all Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College directors, managers, and supervisors include responsibility statements for supporting affirmative action, equal opportunity, diversity, and/or cultural responsiveness in their position descriptions and annual objectives.

   Accountability:
   The President is accountable directly to the MnSCU Chancellor and indirectly to the Minnesota Management and Budget Commissioner on matters pertaining to equal opportunity and affirmative action.

B. Affirmative Action Officer or Designee
   Mary L Ward, Assistant to the President for Affirmative Action and General Administration, Deputy 307, 218.755.2010, mward@bemidjistate.edu
Responsibilities:
The Affirmative Action Officer or designee is responsible for implementation of the
Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s affirmative action and equal
opportunity program, and oversight of the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical
College’s compliance with equal opportunity and affirmative action laws.

Duties:
The duties of the Affirmative Action Officer or designee shall include, but are not limited
to the following:

• Prepare and oversee the Affirmative Action Plan, including development and setting
  of Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College-wide goals;

• Monitor the compliance and fulfill all affirmative action reporting requirements;

• Inform the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s President of
  progress in affirmative action and equal opportunity and report potential concerns;

• Review the Affirmative Action Plan at least annually and provide updates as
  appropriate;

• Provide a Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College-wide perspective on
  issues relating to affirmative action and equal opportunity and assist in the
  identification and development of effective solutions in problem areas related to
  affirmative action and equal opportunity;

• Identify opportunities for infusing affirmative action and equal opportunity into the
  Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s considerations, policies, and
  practices;

• Participate in and/or develop strategies to recruit individuals in protected groups for
  employment, promotion, and training opportunities;

• Stay current on changes to equal opportunity and affirmative action laws and
  interpretation of the laws;

• Provide consultation, technical guidance, and/or training to directors, managers,
  supervisors, and staff regarding best practices in recruitment, selection, and
  retention, progress on hiring goals, reasonable accommodations, and other
  opportunities for improvement; and
Serve as the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College liaison with Minnesota Management and Budget’s Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity and enforcement agencies.

Accountability:
The Affirmative Action Officer is accountable directly to the President and indirectly to the VP for Finance and Administration on matters pertaining to affirmative action and equal opportunity.

C. Americans with Disabilities Act Staff Coordinator or Designee
Mary L Ward, Assistant to the President for Affirmative Action and General Administration, Deputy 307, 218.755.2010, mward@bemidjistate.edu

Responsibilities:
The Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator or designee is responsible for the oversight of the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Title I – Employment and Title II – Public Services, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act - as amended, the Minnesota Human Rights Act, and Executive Order 96-09.

Duties:
The duties of the Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator shall include, but not limited to the following:

- Provide guidance, coordination, and direction to Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College management with regard to the Americans with Disabilities Act in the development and implementation of the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s policy, procedures, practices, and programs to ensure they are accessible and nondiscriminatory;

- Provide consultation, technical guidance, and/or training to directors, managers, supervisors, and staff regarding best practices in recruitment, selection, and retention of individuals with disabilities, provisions of reasonable accommodations for employees and applicants, and other opportunities for improvement; and

- Track and facilitate requests for reasonable accommodations for employees and applicants, as well as members of the public accessing the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s services, and reports reasonable accommodations annually to Minnesota Management and Budget.

Accountability:
The Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator for staff and administration reports directly to the President.
D. Human Resources Director or Designee
Marybeth Christenson-Jones, Director of Human Resources Interim

Responsibilities:
The Human Resources Director is responsible for ensuring equitable and uniform administration of all personnel policies including taking action to remove barriers to equal employment opportunity with the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College.

Duties:
The duties of the Human Resources Director include, but are not limited to the following:

- Provide leadership to human resources staff and others to ensure personnel decision-making processes adhere to equal opportunity and affirmative action principles;
- Ensure, to the extent possible, development and utilization of selection criteria that is objective, uniform, and job-related;
- Initiate and report on specific program objectives contained in the Affirmative Action Plan;
- Ensure pre-hire review process is implemented and receives support from directors, managers, and supervisors;
- Include the Affirmative Action Officer in the decision-making process regarding personnel actions involving protected group members, including hiring, promotion, disciplinary actions, reallocation, transfer, termination, and department and division-wide classification studies;
- Include responsibility statements for supporting affirmative action, equal opportunity, diversity, and/or cultural responsiveness in position descriptions and annual objectives;
- Assist in recruitment and retention of individuals in protected groups, and notify directors, managers, and supervisors of existing disparities;
- Make available to the Affirmative Action Officer and Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator or designee all necessary records and data necessary to perform duties related to equal opportunity and affirmative action.
Accountability:
The Human Resources Director is directly accountable to the Vice President for Finance and Administration.

E. Directors, Managers, and Supervisors

Responsibilities:
Directors, Managers, and Supervisors are responsible for implementation of equal opportunity and affirmative action within their respective areas of supervision and compliance with the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s affirmative action programs and policies to ensure fair and equal treatment of all employees and applicants.

Duties:
The duties of directors, managers, and supervisors include, but are not limited to the following:

- Assist the Affirmative Action Officer in identifying and resolving problems and eliminating barriers which inhibit equal employment opportunity;
- Communicate the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s affirmative action policy to assigned staff;
- Carry out supervisory responsibilities in accordance with the equal employment opportunity and affirmative action policies embodied in this plan;
- Maintain a consistent standard within the workforce so that employees are evaluated, recognized, developed, and rewarded on a fair and equitable basis;
- Include responsibility statements for supporting affirmative action, equal opportunity, diversity, and/or cultural responsiveness in staff position descriptions and annual objectives;
- To provide a positive and inclusive work environment; and
- To refer complaints of discrimination and harassment to the appropriate parties.

Accountability:
Directors, managers, and supervisors are accountable directly to their designated supervisor and indirectly to the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s President.
F. All Employees

Responsibilities:
All employees are responsible for conducting themselves in accordance with the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s equal opportunity and Affirmative Action Plan and policies.

Duties:
The duties of all employees shall include, but are not limited to the following:

- Exhibit an attitude of respect, courtesy, and cooperation towards fellow employees and the public; and
- Refrain from any actions that would adversely affect the performance of a coworker with respect to their race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, disability, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or membership or activity in a local human rights commission.

Accountability:
Employees are accountable to their designated supervisor and indirectly to the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s President.

IV. COMMUNICATION OF THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN

The following information describes the methods that the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College takes to communicate the Affirmative Action Plan to employees and the general public:

A. Internal Methods of Communication

- A memorandum detailing the location of the Affirmative Action Plan and the responsibility to read, understand, support, and implement equal opportunity and affirmative action will be sent from the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s leadership or alternatively, the Affirmative Action Officer, to all staff on an annual basis.

- The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s Affirmative Action Plan is available to all employees on the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s internal website at [http://www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/affirmative_action/](http://www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/affirmative_action/) or in print copy to
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anyone who requests it. As requested, Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will make the plan available in alternative formats.

- Nondiscrimination and equal opportunity statements and posters are prominently displayed and available in areas frequented and accessible to employees.

B. External Methods of Communication

- The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s Affirmative Action Plan is available on the college/university’s external website at (external website link) or in print copy to anyone who requests it. As requested, the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will make the plan available in alternative formats.

- The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s website homepage, letterhead, publications, and all job postings, will include the statement “an equal opportunity employer and educator.”

- Nondiscrimination and equal opportunity statements and posters are prominently displayed and available in areas frequented by and accessible to members of the public. Examples of posters displayed include: Equal Employment Opportunity is the law, Employee Rights under the Fair Labor Standards Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act Notice to the Public.

V. MnSCU’S EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION POLICY

Part 1. Policy Statement

Subpart A. Equal opportunity for students and employees. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities has an enduring commitment to enhancing Minnesota’s quality of life by developing and fostering understanding and appreciation of a free and diverse society and providing equal opportunity for all its students and employees. To help effectuate these goals, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is committed to a policy of equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in employment and education.

Subpart B. Nondiscrimination. No person shall be discriminated against in the terms and conditions of employment, personnel practices, or access to and participation in, programs, services, and activities with regard to race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, disability, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. In addition, discrimination in employment based on familial status or membership or activity in a local commission as defined by law is prohibited.
Harassment on the basis of race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, disability, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or familial status is prohibited. Harassment may occur in a variety of relationships, including faculty and student, supervisor and employee, student and student, staff and student, employee and employee, and other relationships with persons having business at, or visiting the educational or working environment.

This policy is directed at verbal or physical conduct that constitutes discrimination /harassment under state and federal law and is not directed at the content of speech. In cases in which verbal statements and other forms of expression are involved, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities will give due consideration to an individual's constitutionally protected right to free speech and academic freedom. However, discrimination and harassment are not within the protections of academic freedom or free speech.

The system office, colleges, and universities shall maintain and encourage full freedom, within the law, of expression, inquiry, teaching and research. Academic freedom comes with a responsibility that all members of our education community benefit from it without intimidation, exploitation or coercion.

This policy shall apply to all individuals affiliated with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, including but not limited to its students, employees, applicants, volunteers, agents, and Board of Trustees, and is intended to protect the rights and privacy of both the complainant and respondent and other involved individuals, as well as to prevent retaliation or reprisal. Individuals who violate this policy shall be subject to disciplinary or other corrective action. This policy supersedes all existing system, college, and university equal opportunity and nondiscrimination policies.

Part 2. Definitions.

**Subpart A. Consensual Relationship.** Consensual relationship means a sexual or romantic relationship between two persons who voluntarily enter into such a relationship. Employees who are members of the same household should also refer to the Board Policy 4.10, of Trustees Nepotism policy 4.10.

**Subpart B. Discrimination.** Discrimination means conduct that is directed at an individual because of his or her protected class and that subjects the individual to different treatment by agents or employees so as to interfere with or limit the ability of the individual to participate in, or benefit from, the services, activities, or privileges provided by the system or colleges and universities or otherwise adversely affects the individual's employment or education.

**Subpart C. Discriminatory harassment.** Discriminatory harassment means verbal or physical conduct that is directed at an individual because of his or her protected class, and that is
sufficiently severe, pervasive, or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of creating a hostile work or educational environment.

As required by law, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities further defines sexual harassment as a form of sexual discrimination which is prohibited by state and federal law. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or education, evaluation of a student's academic performance, or term or condition of participation in student activities or in other events or activities sanctioned by the college or university; or

- Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment or academic decisions or other decisions about participation in student activities or other events or activities sanctioned by the college or university; or

- Such conduct has the purpose or effect of threatening an individual's employment; interfering with an individual's work or academic performance; or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work or educational environment.

**Subpart D. Employee.** Employee means any individual employed by Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, including all faculty, staff, administrators, teaching assistants, graduate assistants, residence directors and student employees.

**Subpart E. Protected class.** For purposes of this policy:

- Protected class includes race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, disability, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. In addition, familial status and membership or activity in a local human rights commission is a protected class in employment.

- This policy prohibits use of protected class status as a factor in decisions affecting education and employment where prohibited by federal or state law.

**Subpart F. Retaliation.** Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, intentionally engaging in any form of intimidation, reprisal or harassment against an individual because he or she:

- Made a complaint under this policy;

- Assisted or participated in any manner in an investigation, or process under this policy, regardless of whether a claim of discrimination or harassment is substantiated;
• Associated with a person or group of persons who are disabled or are of a different race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or national origin; or

• Made a complaint or assisted or participated in any manner in an investigation or process with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights, the Minnesota Department of Human Rights or other enforcement agencies, under any federal or stated nondiscrimination law, including the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minn. Stat. Ch. 363A, and their amendments.

Retaliation may occur whether or not there is a power or authority differential between the individuals involved.

Subpart G. Sexual harassment and violence as sexual abuse. Under certain circumstances, sexual harassment or violence may constitute sexual abuse according to Minnesota law. In such situations, the system office and colleges and universities shall comply with the reporting requirements in Minnesota Statutes Section 626.556 (reporting of maltreatment of minors) and Minnesota Statutes Section 626.557 (Vulnerable Adult Protection Act). Nothing in this policy will prohibit any college or university or the system office from taking immediate action to protect victims of alleged sexual abuse. Board Policy 1B.3 Sexual Violence addresses sexual violence.

Subpart H. Student. For purposes of this policy, the term “student” includes all persons who:

• Are enrolled in one or more courses, either credit or non-credit, through a college or university;

• Withdraw, transfer or graduate, after an alleged violation of the student conduct code;

• Are not officially enrolled for a particular term but who have a continuing relationship with the college or university;

• Have been notified of their acceptance for admission or have initiated the process of application for admission or financial aid; or

• Are living in a college or university residence hall although not enrolled in, or employed by, the institution.

Part 3. Consensual Relationships. An employee of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities shall not enter into a consensual relationship with a student or an employee over whom he or she exercises direct or otherwise significant academic, administrative, supervisory, evaluative, counseling, or extracurricular authority or influence. In the event a relationship already exists, each college and university and system office shall develop a procedure to reassign evaluative
authority as may be possible to avoid violations of this policy. This prohibition does not limit the
right of an employee to make a recommendation on personnel matters concerning a family or
household member where the right to make recommendations on such personnel matters is
explicitly provided for in the applicable collective bargaining agreement or compensation plan.

**Part 4. Retaliation.** Retaliation as defined in this policy is prohibited in the system office,
colleges and universities. Any individual subject to this policy who intentionally engages in
retaliation shall be subject to disciplinary or other corrective action as appropriate.

**Part 5. Policies and procedures.** The chancellor shall establish procedures to implement this
policy. The equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in employment and education policy and
procedures of colleges and universities shall comply with Board Policy 1B.1 and Procedure
1B.1.1.

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**VI. MnSCU’S REPORT/COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT
INVESTIGATION AND RESOLUTION PROCEDURE**

**Part 1. Purpose and applicability.**

**Subpart A. Purpose.** This procedure is designed to further implement Minnesota State Colleges
and Universities policies relating to nondiscrimination by providing a process through which
individuals alleging violation of Board Policy 1B.1 Equal Opportunity and Nondiscrimination in
Employment and Education may pursue a complaint. This includes allegations of retaliation, or
discrimination or harassment based on sex, race, age, disability, color, creed, national origin,
religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, or status with
regard to public assistance. In addition, discrimination in employment based on familial status
or membership or activity in a local human rights commission as defined by law is prohibited.

**Subpart B. Applicability.** This procedure shall apply to all individuals affiliated with Minnesota
State Colleges and Universities, including its students, employees, and applicants for
employment, and is intended to protect the rights and privacy of both the complainant and
respondent and other involved individuals, as well as to prevent retaliation/reprisal. Individuals
who violate this procedure shall be subject to disciplinary or other corrective action.

A single act of discrimination or harassment may be based on more than one protected class
status. For example, discrimination based on anti-Semitism may relate to religion, national
origin, or both; discrimination against a pregnant woman might be based on sex, marital status,
or both; discrimination against a transgender or transsexual individual might be based on sex or
sexual orientation.

Not every act that may be offensive to an individual or group constitutes discrimination or
harassment. Harassment includes action beyond the mere expression of views, words, symbols
or thoughts that another individual finds offensive. To constitute a violation of Board Policy 1B.1, conduct must be considered sufficiently serious to deny or limit a student’s or employee’s ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

Subpart C. Scope. This procedure is not applicable to allegations of sexual violence; allegations of sexual violence are handled pursuant to Board Policy 1B.3 Sexual Violence and System Procedure 1B.3.1. In addition, harassment and discrimination complaints not arising from alleged violations of Board Policy 1B.1, are to be addressed under other appropriate policies and established practices.

Part 2. Definitions. The definitions in Board Policy 1B.1 also apply to this procedure.

Subpart A. Designated officer. Designated officer means an individual designated by the president or chancellor to be primarily responsible for conducting an initial inquiry, determining whether to proceed with an investigation under this procedure, and investigating or coordinating the investigation of reports and complaints of discrimination/harassment in accordance with this procedure.

Prior to serving as the designated officer, the individual must complete investigator training provided by the system office.

Subpart B. Decision maker. Decision maker means a high level administrator designated by the president or chancellor to review investigative reports, to make findings whether Board Policy 1B.1 has been violated based upon the investigation, and to determine the appropriate action for the institution to take based upon the findings.

Prior to serving as a decision maker for complaints under this procedure, administrators must complete decision maker training provided by the system office.

Subpart C. Retaliation. Retaliation is as defined in Board Policy 1B.1 Equal Opportunity and Nondiscrimination in Employment and Education policy

Part 3. Consensual relationships. Board Policy 1B.1 Equal Opportunity and Nondiscrimination in Employment and Education prohibits consensual relationships between an employee and a student or another employee over whom he or she exercises direct or otherwise significant academic, administrative, supervisory, evaluative, counseling, or extracurricular authority or influence, whether or not both parties appear to have consented to the relationship, except as noted.

Examples of prohibited consensual relationships include, but are not limited to:

- An employee and a student if the employee is in a position to evaluate or otherwise significantly influence the student’s education, employment, housing, participation in
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athletics, or any other college or university activity (employee includes, for example, graduate assistants, administrators, coaches, advisors, program directors, counselors and residence life staff);

- A faculty member and a student who is enrolled in the faculty member’s course, who is an advisee of the faculty member, or whose academic work is supervised or evaluated by the faculty member; and

- A supervisor and an employee under the person’s supervision.

A faculty member or other employee is prohibited from undertaking a romantic or sexual relationship or permitting one to develop with a student or supervisee who is enrolled in the person’s class or is subject to that person’s supervision or evaluation.

If a consensual, romantic or sexual relationship exists between an employee and another individual and subsequent event creates a supervisor/supervisee, faculty/student or similar relationship between them, the person with evaluative or supervisory authority is required to report the relationship to his or her supervisor so that evaluative functions can be reassigned if possible.

This procedure does not cover consensual relationships between individuals that do not require one to exercise direct or otherwise significant academic, administrative, supervisory, evaluative, counseling, or extracurricular authority or influence over the other.

This prohibition does not limit the right of an employee to make a recommendation on personnel matters concerning a person with whom they have a consensual relationship where the right to make recommendations on such personnel matters is explicitly provided for in the applicable collective bargaining agreement or compensation plan.


Subpart A. Reporting an incident. Any individual who believes she or he has been or is being subjected to conduct prohibited by Board Policy 1B.1 is encouraged to report the incident to the designated officer. The report/complaint should be brought as soon as possible after an incident occurs.

Any student, faculty member or employee who knows of, receives information about or receives a complaint of discrimination/harassment is strongly encouraged to report the information or complaint to the designated officer of the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College.

Subpart B. Duty to report. Administrators and supervisors shall refer allegations of conduct that they reasonably believe may constitute discrimination or harassment under Board Policy
1B.1 to the designated officer, or in consultation with the designated officer may inquire into and resolve such matters.

Subpart C. Reports against a president. A report/complaint against a president of a college or university shall be filed with the system office. However, complaints against a president shall be processed by the college or university if the president’s role in the alleged incident was limited to a decision on a recommendation made by another administrator, such as tenure, promotion or non-renewal, and the president had no other substantial involvement in the matter.

Subpart D. Reports against system office employees or Board of Trustees. For reports/complaints that involve allegations against system office employees, the responsibilities identified in this procedure as those of the president are the responsibilities of the chancellor. Reports/complaints that involve allegations against the chancellor or a member of the Board of Trustees shall be referred to the chair or vice chair of the Board for processing. Such reports/complaints may be assigned to appropriate system personnel or outside investigatory assistance may be designated.

Subpart E. False statements prohibited. Any individual who is determined to have provided false information in filing a discrimination report/complaint or during the investigation of such a report/complaint may be subject to disciplinary or corrective action.

Subpart F. Withdrawn complaints. If a complainant no longer desires to pursue a complaint, the system office, colleges, and universities reserve the right to investigate and take appropriate action.

Part 5. Right to representation. In accordance with federal law and applicable collective bargaining agreement and personnel plan language, represented employees may have the right to request and receive union representation during an investigatory meeting.

Nothing in this procedure is intended to expand, diminish or alter in any manner whatsoever any right or remedy available under a collective bargaining agreement, personnel plan or law. Any disciplinary action imposed as a result of an investigation conducted under this procedure will be processed in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan.

Part 6. Investigation and Resolution. The system office, college or university has an affirmative duty to take timely and appropriate action to stop behavior prohibited by Board Policy 1B.1, conduct investigations and take appropriate action to prevent recurring misconduct.

Subpart A. Personal resolution. This procedure neither prevents nor requires the use of informal resolution by an individual who believes he or she has been subject to conduct in violation of Board Policy 1B.1. In such a situation, the individual should clearly explain to the alleged offender as soon as possible after the incident that the behavior is objectionable and must stop. If the behavior does not stop or if the individual believes retaliation may result from
the discussion, the individual should report to the designated officer. Under no circumstance shall an individual be required to use personal resolution to address prohibited behaviors.

**Subpart B. Information privacy.** Confidentiality of information obtained during an investigation cannot be guaranteed; such information, however, will be handled in accordance with applicable federal and state data privacy laws.

**Subpart C. Processing the complaint.** The designated officer must be contacted in order to initiate a report/complaint under this procedure. The scope of the process used in each complaint/report shall be determined by the designated officer based on the complexity of the allegations, the number and relationship of individuals involved, and other pertinent factors.

- **Jurisdiction.** The designated officer shall determine whether the report/complaint is one which should be processed through another system office, college or university procedure available to the complainant; if appropriate, the designated officer shall direct the complainant to that procedure as soon as possible.

- **Conflicts.** The designated officer should identify to the president or chancellor/designee any real or perceived conflict of interest in proceeding as the designated officer for a specific complaint. If the president or chancellor/designee determines that a conflict exists, another designated officer shall be assigned.

- **Information provided to complainant.** At the time the report/complaint is made, the designated officer shall:
  
  - Inform the complainant of the provisions of the Board Policy 1B.1 and this procedure;
  
  - Provide a copy of or Web address for Board Policy 1B.1 and this procedure to the complainant;
  
  - Determine whether other individuals are permitted to accompany the complainant during investigatory interviews and the extent of their involvement; and
  
  - Inform the complainant of the provisions of Board Policy 1B.1 prohibiting retaliation.

- **Complaint documentation.** The designated officer shall insure that the complaint is documented in writing. The designated officer may request, but not require the complainant to document the complaint in writing using the complaint form of the system office, college or university.
Information provided to the respondent. At the time initial contact is made with the respondent, the designated officer shall inform the respondent in writing of the existence and general nature of the complaint and the provisions of the nondiscrimination policy. At the initial meeting with the respondent, the designated officer shall:

- Provide a copy of or Web address for Board Policy 1B.1 and this procedure to the respondent;
- Provide sufficient information to the respondent consistent with federal and state data privacy laws to allow the respondent to respond to the substance of the complaint;
- Explain to the respondent that in addition to being interviewed by the designated officer, the respondent may provide a written response to the allegations;
- Determine whether other individuals are permitted to accompany the respondent during investigative interviews and the extent of their involvement; and
- Inform the respondent of the provisions of Board Policy 1B.1 prohibiting retaliation.

Investigatory process. The designated officer shall:

- Conduct a fact-finding inquiry or investigation into the complaint, including appropriate interviews and meetings;
- Inform the witnesses and other involved individuals of the prohibition against retaliation;
- Create, gather and maintain investigative documentation as appropriate;
- Disclose appropriate information to others only on a need to know basis consistent with state and federal law, and provide a data privacy notice in accordance with state law; and
- Handle all data in accordance with applicable federal and state privacy laws.

Interim actions.

- Employee reassignment or administrative leave. Under appropriate circumstances, the president or chancellor may, in consultation with system legal
counsel and labor relations, reassign or place an employee on administrative leave at any point in time during the report/complaint process. In determining whether to place an employee on administrative leave or reassignment, consideration shall be given to the nature of the alleged behavior, the relationships between the parties, the context in which the alleged incidents occurred and other relevant factors. Any action taken must be consistent with the applicable collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan.

   o Student summary suspension or other action. Under appropriate circumstances, the president or designee may, in consultation with system legal counsel, summarily suspend a student at any point in time during the report/complaint process. A summary suspension may be imposed only in accordance with Board Policy 3.6 and associated system procedures. After the student has been summarily suspended, the report/complaint process should be completed within the shortest reasonable time period, not to exceed nine (9) class days. During the summary suspension, the student may not enter the campus or participate in any college or university activities without obtaining prior permission from the president or designee. Other temporary measures may be taken in lieu of summary suspension where the president or designee determines such measures are appropriate.

- No basis to proceed. At any point during the processing of the complaint, the designated officer may determine that there is no basis to proceed under Board Policy 1B.1. The designated officer shall refer the complaint as appropriate. The designated officer shall notify the complainant and respondent of the outcome as appropriate, in accordance with applicable data privacy laws.

- Timely Completion. Colleges, universities and the system office must provide resources sufficient to complete the investigative process and issue a written response within 60 days after a complaint is made, unless reasonable cause for delay exists. The designated officer shall notify the complainant and respondent if the written response is not expected to be issued within the 60 day period. The college, university or system office must meet any applicable shorter time periods, including those provided in the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

Subpart D. Resolution. After processing the complaint the designated officer may consider one or more of the following methods to resolve the complaint as appropriate:

- Conduct or coordinate education/training;

- Facilitate voluntary meetings between the parties;

- Recommend separation of the parties, after consultation with appropriate system office, college or university personnel;
• Other possible outcomes may include recommending changes in workplace assignments, enrollment in a different course or program, or other appropriate action;

• The system office, college or university may use alternative dispute resolution or mediation services as a method of resolving discrimination or harassment complaints. Alternative dispute resolution and mediation options require the voluntary participation of all parties to the complaint;

• Upon completion of the inquiry, the designated officer may dismiss or refer the complaint to others as appropriate.

Subpart E. Decision process. If the above methods have not resolved the complaint within a reasonable period of time to the satisfaction of the designated officer, or the designated officer feels additional steps should be taken, the procedures in this subpart shall be followed.

• Designated officer. The designated officer shall:
  o Prepare an investigation report and forward it to the decision maker for review and decision;
  o Take additional investigative measures as requested by the decision maker; and
  o Be responsible for coordinating responses to requests for information contained in an investigation report in accordance with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act and other applicable law including, but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). In determining the appropriate response, the designated officer shall consult with the campus data practice compliance official and/or the Office of General Counsel.

• Decision maker. After receiving the investigation report prepared by the designated officer, the decision maker shall:
  o Determine whether additional steps should be taken prior to making the decision. Additional steps may include:
    ▪ A request that the designated officer conduct further investigative measures;
    ▪ A meeting with the complainant, respondent or other involved individuals. If a meeting involving a represented employee is convened, the complainant or respondent may choose to be accompanied by the bargaining unit representative, in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement and federal and state law; and
Part 7. Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College action. The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College shall take the appropriate corrective action based on results of the investigation, and the designated officer shall make appropriate inquiries to ascertain the effectiveness of any corrective or disciplinary action. Complainants are encouraged to report any subsequent conduct that violates Board Policy 1B.1, as well as allegations of retaliation.

Written notice to parties relating to discipline, resolutions, and/or final dispositions resulting from the report/complaint process is deemed to be official correspondence from the system office, college or university. In accordance with state law, the system office, college or university is responsible for filing the complaint disposition concerning complaints against employees with the Commissioner of Employee Relations within 30 days of final disposition.


Subpart A. Filing an appeal. The complainant or the respondent may appeal the decision of the decision maker. An appeal must be filed in writing with the president or designee within ten (10) business days after notification of the decision. The appeal must state specific reasons why
the complainant or respondent believes the decision was improper. In a complaint against a president or other official who reports directly to the chancellor, an appeal may be considered by the chancellor whether or not the chancellor served as the decision maker.

Subpart B. Effect of review. For employees represented by a collective bargaining agreement, an appeal under this procedure is separate and distinct from, and is not in any way related to, any contractual protections or procedures. During the pendency of the appeal disciplinary or corrective action taken as a result of the decision shall be enforced. In addition, in cases involving sanctions of suspension for ten (10) days or longer, students shall be informed of their right to a contested case hearing under Minnesota Statutes §14.

Subpart C. Appeal process. The president or designee shall review the record and determine whether to affirm or modify the decision. The president or designee may receive additional information if the president or designee believes such information would aid in the consideration of the appeal. The decision on appeal shall be made within a reasonable time and the complainant, respondent and designated officer shall be notified in writing of the decision, consistent with applicable state and federal data privacy laws. The decision on appeal exhausts the complainant’s and respondents administrative remedies under this procedure except as provided herein.

Part 9. Education and training. The system office, colleges and universities shall provide education and training programs to promote awareness and prevent discrimination/harassment, such as educational seminars, peer-to-peer counseling, operation of hotlines, self-defense courses, and informational resources. Education and training programs should include education about Board Policy 1B.1 and this procedure. All colleges and universities and the system office shall promote awareness of Board Policy 1B.1 and this procedure, and shall publicly identify the designated officer.

Part 10. Distribution of board policy 1B.1 and this procedure. Information regarding Board Policy 1B.1 and this procedure shall, at a minimum, be distributed to students at the time of registration and to employees at the beginning of employment. Distribution may be accomplished by posting on an internet website, provided all students and employees are directly notified of how to access the policy and procedure by an exact address, and that they may request a paper copy. Copies of the policy and procedure shall be conspicuously posted at appropriate locations at the system office and on college and university campuses at all times and shall include the designated officers' names, locations and telephone numbers.

Designated officers also must be identified by name, location and phone number in informational publications such as student catalogs, student and employee handbooks, bulletin boards, campus websites and other appropriate public announcements.

Part 11. Maintenance of report/complaint procedure documentation. During and upon the completion of the complaint process, the complaint file shall be maintained in a secure location in the office of the designated officer for the system office, college or university in accordance
with the applicable records retention schedule. Access to the data shall be in accordance with
the respective collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan, the Minnesota Government
Data Practices Act, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act or other applicable law.

VII. MNSCU’S REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS IN EMPLOYMENT POLICY

Part 1. Purpose. This procedure sets forth the process to be used for responding to requests for
reasonable accommodations in employment based on an applicant's or employee's disability.
The scope of this procedure is limited to reasonable accommodations, and is not intended to
fully describe other provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Minnesota Human
Rights Act.

Part 2. Reasonable Accommodations in Employment. It is the policy of MnSCU to encourage
the employment and promotion of any qualified individual including qualified individuals with
disabilities. The system office, college or university will not discriminate in providing reasonable
accommodations to qualified individuals with a disability in regard to job application
procedures, hiring, advancement, discharge, employee compensation, job training or other
terms, conditions, and privileges of employment.

Part 3. Definitions. For purposes of this procedure, the following terms have the meaning given
them:

Subpart A. Employer. The employer is the system office, college or university.

Subpart B. Essential Functions. Essential functions are the fundamental job duties of the
position in question. The term does not include the marginal functions of the position.

A. A job function may be considered essential for any of several reasons, including but not
limited to the following:

  o The function may be essential because the reason the position exists is to
    perform that function;

  o The function may be essential because of the limited number of employees
    available among whom the performance of that job function can be distributed;
    and/or

  o The function may be highly specialized so that the incumbent in the position is
    hired for his or her expertise or ability to perform the particular function.
Evidence of whether a particular function is essential includes, but is not limited to:

- The employer's judgment as to which functions are essential;
- Written job descriptions;
- The amount of time spent on the job performing the function;
- The consequences of not requiring the incumbent to perform the function;
- The terms of a collective bargaining agreement;
- The work experience of past incumbents in the job; and/or
- The current work experience of incumbents in similar jobs.

Subpart C. Individual with a Disability. An individual with a disability for the purposes of determining reasonable accommodations is any applicant, current employee, including student employees, or employees seeking promotion, who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially or materially limits one or more of such individual’s major life activities. Generally, a disabling physical or mental condition which is expected to be temporary and from which the individual is expected to recover is not a disability under this procedure.

Subpart D. Qualified Individual with a Disability. A qualified individual with a disability is an individual with a disability who meets the requisite skill, education, experience and other job-related requirements of the job and who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the job.

Subpart E. Reasonable Accommodations. A reasonable accommodation is a modification or adjustment to a job or employment practice or the work environment that enables a qualified individual with a disability to perform the essential functions of the job as identified at the time of the reasonable accommodation request and to access equal employment opportunities. Reasonable accommodations may also include those things which make a facility and its operations readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. Under the law, the employer has a responsibility to make reasonable accommodations for individuals with a disability only if the disability is known and it is not an undue hardship under Part 6, Subpart C.

Part 4. Identification of Assigned Staff Member. The system office, and each college and university shall assign and identify a staff member responsible for administering requests for reasonable accommodations.

Part 5. Right to Representation. In accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreement language, employees may have the right to request and receive union representation during the reasonable accommodations process.

Subpart A. Job Relatedness. Reasonable accommodations will be provided only for job-related needs of individuals with a disability. The primary factor in evaluating an accommodation's job relatedness is whether the accommodation specifically assists the individual to perform the essential functions of the job as identified at the time of the reasonable accommodation request. If the requested accommodation is primarily for the benefit of the individual with a disability to assist that individual in daily personal activities, the employer is not required to provide the accommodation. The appropriate reasonable accommodation is best determined through a flexible, interactive process that involves both the employer and the qualified individual with a disability; it may include the appropriate union representative as provided by the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

Subpart B. Essential Functions. The system office, college or university may deny employment or advancement in employment based on the inability of an individual with a disability to perform the essential functions of the job and may decline to make accommodations to the physical or mental needs of an employee or job applicant with a disability if:

- The accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the system office, college or university as provided under Subpart C.;

- The individual with a disability, with or without reasonable accommodations, is not qualified to perform the essential functions of that particular job; or

- Having the individual in the job would create a direct threat because of a significant risk to the health and safety of the individual or others and the risk cannot be eliminated by reasonable accommodation.

Subpart C. Undue Hardship. In determining whether providing a reasonable accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the employer, the factors to be considered include:

- The nature and net cost of the accommodation needed;

- The overall financial resources of the employer involved in the provision of the reasonable accommodation, the number of persons employed, and the effect on expenses and resources;

- The overall financial resources of the employer, the overall size of the business of the employer with respect to the number of its employees, and the number, type and location of its facilities;

- The type of operation or operations of the employer, including the composition, structure and functions of the workforce, and the geographic separateness and
administrative or fiscal relationship of the employer in question to the covered entity; and

- The impact of the accommodation upon the operation of the employer, including the impact on the ability of other employees to perform their duties and the impact on the employer's ability to conduct business.

**Subpart D. Documentation.** Documentation of a disability is required as part of the reasonable accommodation process unless the nature and extent of the disability is already known to the employer, or as a practical matter, the requested accommodation is minimal and the employer makes modifications for its convenience, regardless of whether the employee or applicant meets the requirements for a reasonable accommodation under this procedure.

**Subpart E. Choice of Accommodations.** The employer is not required to provide the specific accommodation requested by the individual and may choose an effective accommodation which is less expensive or easier to provide. Accommodations provided to the individual are the financial responsibility of the employer.

**Subpart F. Request Process.** The system office, colleges and universities are responsible for establishing a process for individuals with disabilities to make requests for reasonable accommodations in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Minnesota Human Rights Act. Such process should include the following:

- MnSCU policy statement and definitions;
- Assignment and identification of a staff member responsible for administering requests for reasonable accommodations;
- Provide a process for appealing a reasonable accommodations decision.

**Part 7. Application.** Nothing in this procedure is intended to expand, diminish or alter the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Minnesota Human Rights Act.

**VIII. EVACUATION PROCEDURES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES**

A copy of the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s weather and emergency evacuation plans can be found at:

[http://www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/safety/emergency_preparedness/](http://www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/safety/emergency_preparedness/).

Distributed throughout the campus are Emergency Procedure Guides that list guidelines for reasonable individual actions and responses to the types of emergency situations most likely to
occur on campus, including evacuations and relocations from buildings. The guide lists the E-911 address and the designated internal and external relocation site for each building.

Building occupants are directed to the internal relocation site for emergency situations requiring shelter, such as severe weather.

Building occupants are directed to the external relocation site for emergency situations requiring them to leave the building, such as fires or hazardous material spills.

Individuals who are not able to relocate from a building due to physical mobility issues or other reasons will be directed to take shelter in the nearest stairwell, close the door to the stairwell, and wait for assistance. Alternatively they can take refuge in the closest room, close the door, and if possible, use towels or other items to prevent smoke from coming in under the door. If possible, they should contact 911 or BSU Public Safety, 218-755-3988, or take other actions to inform responders of their location.

Everyone has a responsibility to develop their own personal emergency evacuation plans; this includes individuals with disabilities or individuals who will need assistance during evacuation. The Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator or designee at Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will work to develop a plan and consult the appropriate building and safety personnel.

Directors, managers, and supervisors should review the emergency evacuation procedures with staff, including informing all staff that if additional assistance may be needed, and individuals with disabilities should contact the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College contact(s) below to request the type of assistance they may need.

Mary L Ward, Assistant to the President for Affirmative Action and General Administration Deputy 307, 218.755.2010, mward@bemidjistate.edu

Timothy Boyer, Director of Disabilities Services/Student ADA Compliance, Sanford 202, 218.755.3883, tboyer@bemidjistate.edu

Sarah Plahn, NTC Learning Services Director, NTC 211, 218.333.6650, sarah.plahn@ntcmn.edu

Richard Marsolek, Environmental Health and Safety Officer, Bangsberg 111, 218.755.2545, rmarsolek@bemidjistate.edu

Evacuation Options:
Individuals with disabilities have four basic, possibly five, evacuation options:

- Horizontal evacuation: Using building exits to the outside ground level or going into unaffected wings of multi-building complexes;
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- Stairway evacuation: Using steps to reach ground level exits from building;

- Shelter in place: Unless danger is imminent, remain in a room with an exterior window, a telephone, and a solid or fire resistant door. If the individual requiring special evacuation assistance remains in place, they should dial 911 immediately and report their location to emergency services, who will in turn relay that information to on-site responders. The shelter in place approach may be more appropriate for sprinkler protected buildings where an area of refuge is not nearby or available. It may be more appropriate for an individual who is alone when the alarm sounds;

- Area of rescue assistance: Identified areas that can be used as a means of egress for individuals with disabilities. These areas, located on floors above or below the building’s exits, can be used by individuals with disabilities until rescue can be facilitated by emergency responders.

Evacuation Procedures for Individuals with Mobility Disabilities, Hearing Disabilities, and Visual Disabilities:
Individuals with disabilities should follow the following procedures:

- Mobility disabilities (individuals who use wheelchairs or other personal mobility devices (“PMDs”): Individuals using wheelchairs should be accompanied to an area of rescue assistance by an employee or shelter in place when the alarm sounds. The safety and security staff will respond to each of the areas of rescue assistance every time a building evacuation is initiated to identify the individuals in these areas and notify to emergency responders how many individuals need assistance to safely evacuate.

- Mobility disabilities (individuals who do not use wheelchairs): Individuals with mobility disabilities, who are able to walk independently, may be able to negotiate stairs in an emergency with minor assistance. If danger is imminent, the individual should wait until the heavy traffic has cleared before attempting the stairs. If there is no immediate danger (detectable smoke, fire, or unusual odor), the individual with a disability may choose to wait at the area of rescue assistance until emergency responders arrive to assist them.

- Hearing disabilities: The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s buildings are equipped with fire alarm horns/strobes that sound the alarm and flash strobe lights. The strobe lights are for individuals with who are deaf and/or hard of hearing. Individuals with hearing disabilities may not notice or hear emergency alarms and will need to be alerted of emergency situations.

- Visual disabilities: The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s buildings are equipped with fire alarm horn/strobes that sound the alarm and flash strobe lights. The horn will alert individuals who are blind or have visual disabilities of the need to
evacuate. Most individuals with visual disabilities will be familiar with their immediate surroundings and frequently traveled routes. Since the emergency evacuation route is likely different from the common traveled route, individuals with visual disabilities may need assistance in evacuating. The assistant should offer assistance, and if accepted, guide the individual with a visual disability through the evacuation route.

Severe Weather Evacuation Options:
Individuals with disabilities or who are in need of assistance during an evacuation have three evacuation options based on their location in their building:

- **Horizontal evacuation:** If located on the ground or basement floor, severe weather shelter areas are located throughout each floor;

- **Elevator evacuation:** If there are no safe areas above the ground floor, the elevator may be used to evacuate to the ground or basement levels; and/or

- **Shelter in Place:** Seeking shelter in a designated severe weather shelter and remaining there until the all clear is used.

**IX. GOALS AND TIMETABLES**

Through the utilization analysis, the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College has determined which job categories are underutilized for women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and veterans within the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College and has set the following hiring goals for the next two years (Reference Table 2).
Table 2a. Bemidji State University Underutilization Analysis and Hiring Goals for 2014-2016

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**Availability:**
The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College determined the recruitment area to be statewide availability for the following job categories: Office/clerical, Technicians, Professionals, Skilled Craft, and Service Maintenance. National availability statistics were used for the following job categories: Officials/Administrators, Education Administrators, and Faculty. In conducting its underutilization analysis, Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College used the one factor analysis. Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College determined it was best to use this type of analysis because of the low numbers of internal qualified candidates.

Underutilization Analysis worksheets are attached in the appendix. Numbers less than 10 are indicated with “<10” in accordance with Minnesota Management and Budget’s guidance on data privacy.

**Women:**
At Bemidji State University, the population of women has improved in the following job categories: professionals, faculty, office/clerical, and technicians and has not improved in the following job categories: officials/administrators, education administrators, protected services, skilled craft and service maintenance workers. At Northwest Technical College, the population of women has improved in the following job categories: officials/administrators, professionals, faculty, and office and clerical and has stayed the same in technicians and service maintenance categories. Attention was given to all areas in an attempt to improve the total number of women to the level of availability for various work categories. This allowed for the improvement of the population of women in the categories listed above. Budget constraints in certain categories and lack of turnover in other categories hindered the fulfillment of other categories. Additionally, the assimilation of members of Distance Minnesota staff to the Northwest Technical College allowed women administrator goals to be met. Goal numbers projected on the preceding matrix are based on the availability percentages and are being used as a measure of equity among job categories. As positions open up in job categories, attention will be given to fill positions with qualified women candidates in the under-utilized categories. Expansion of academic programs will be contingent on student enrollment at both campuses. At this time, enrollment is holding at a consistent level. Along with that it is not expected there will be a greater than average number of retirements or replacements. In order to find female, minority, and disabled protective services, skilled craft, and service maintenance workers focus will be on targeted notices of technical school placement offices and those who have been laid off from businesses within the greater Bemidji area with the specific skills that qualify them for open positions.

**Minorities:**
At the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College, the population of minorities has improved in the following job categories: faculty at Northwest Technical College and has not improved or stayed the same in all of the other job categories. While the improvement at Northwest Technical College in women faculty is a positive indicator both campuses fall behind state and national availability in all other areas. Our plans for 2012-2014 were optimistic for
minorities and advertising plans aggressively sought out qualified minority candidates. It is not known to us why qualified minority candidates did not come through. Regional demographics for under-utilized categories are below state and national demographic numbers which may attribute for some of this. The upcoming affirmation action plan cycle will strive to increase intensity of vacancy posting distribution and networking to enhance recruitment of qualified minorities.

**Individuals with Disabilities:**
At Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College, the population of individuals with disabilities has improved in the following job category: faculty, office clerical, and service maintenance workers. Neither campus improved in the following job categories: officials and managers, education administrators, professionals, and skilled craft. Even though there was some improvement shown, the improvements did not meet availability percentages. Both campuses strived to attract qualified candidates with disabilities to open positions in an attempt to ameliorate under-utilization of individuals with disabilities. Anticipated hiring needs did not change significantly but the available pool of individuals with disabilities did not manifest themselves. Search advisory committees will continue to be trained to strongly consider individuals with disabilities having appropriate skills and training when filling open positions.

**Veterans:**
Effective March of 2013, the Office of the Federal Contract Compliance Program (“OFCCP”) included veterans in affirmative action. Going forward, Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will track the hiring and underutilization of veterans in accordance with the OFCCP regulations.

### X. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

In pursuing the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s commitment to affirmative action, the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will take the following actions during 2014-2016:

**Objective #1: Enhance recruitment efforts**

**Action Steps:**

a. Expand broad distribution via web and list servs of classified and unclassified position searches

b. Update BSU and NTC President, Vice Presidents, Associate Vice Presidents, and Deans having primary responsibility for searches regarding the need to create and review action plans in regard to underutilization goals.
c. Educate Search Advisory Committees (SACs) regarding confidentiality in the selection process, recruitment, and employment guidelines, underutilization, and answer questions.

d. Review, on a continuous basis, recruitment and hiring guidelines, in order to enhance BSU and NTC commitment to affirmative action and to assist SACs in identifying and selecting highly qualified candidates for positions including women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities.

e. Add publications and websites to standard advertising list to provide greater choices for SACs when publicizing vacancies and new positions using the following website listing http://www.hercjobs.org/jobseeker_tools/diversity_resources/#african_amer.

Evaluation:
These objectives were part of the last affirmative action plan. Progress was made with the development of a dedicated website inclusive of information relative to searches and employment at the university and college. This allowed for applicants to independently explore the employment environments as well as applicable policies and laws relative to the same. Efforts to improve these objectives are ongoing and continuously reviewed and assessed to measure their fulfillment.

Objective #2: Review retention efforts

Action Steps:
  a. Enhance the reputation of BSU and NTC as an employer of choice.
  b. Notify all employees annually of identified procedures for requesting and, if necessary, providing an accommodation.
  c. Publicize the availability of confidential services through the Employee Assistance Program.
  d. Publicize the tuition waiver program available, on a space available basis, to University or College courses.
  e. Ensure that appropriate accommodations for newly disabled employees are researched in a timely manner.

Evaluation:
These objectives in part were in the previous affirmative action plan and have been enhanced further to develop and deliver appropriate services to employees at both campuses. Efforts to improve and enhance retention for 2014-2016 include the extension of professional development plans and opportunities created in collaboration with supervisors for employees. These efforts will enable the development of skills and knowledge so that those internal employees who are qualified may be considered for opportunities for advancement that present themselves at the campuses. Success will be measured through employee satisfaction surveys and select interviews.
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Objective #3: Ensure a working environment and campus community that promotes and welcomes diversity.

Action Steps:
   a. Present information regarding diversity, affirmative action, sexual harassment, and code of conduct during new faculty and staff orientation.
   b. Highlight MnSCU, BSU, and NTC policies that encourage understanding of diversity and affirmative action during new hire orientation.
   c. Promote civility and respect among all faculty, staff, and student groups on both campuses.
   d. Engage leaders of classified and unclassified bargaining units in greater understanding of problem and non-confrontational behavior.

Evaluation:
These action steps were part of the last affirmative action plan. Progress was made with documented information sessions for new employees and staff orientations. All policies are shared broadly with campus members through leadership. Expectations and assessment of civility and respect issues are developed through campus civility committee efforts in conjunction with the community. Future engagement plans of classified and unclassified bargaining unit members are in progress as this plan is being written.

Objective #4: Promote awareness and improve campus climate.

Action Steps:
   a. Educate faculty and staff in the principles of engagement utilizing most recent results of faculty engagement survey.
   b. Plan and implement educational sessions and events supporting equal employment and affirmative action.
   c. Provide information and answer questions related to sexual harassment/violence, racism, sexual orientation and disability awareness.

Evaluation:
These objectives were part of the previous affirmative action plan. The university and campus centers for professional development were tasked with objective number one. This is an ongoing objective that is imbedded in the work of these two groups. Objectives b and c were attained through the establishment of an affirmative action office with a dedicated officer whose responsibility it is to make certain the campus communities know and understand related information, policies and procedures and rights. Educational sessions are held with employee groups to make certain this dissemination is widespread.
XI. METHODS OF AUDITING, EVALUATING AND REPORTING PROGRAM SUCCESS

A. Pre-Employment Review Procedure
The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will evaluate its selection process to determine if its requirements unnecessarily screen out a disproportionate number of women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, or veterans. The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will use the monitoring the hiring process form for every hire to track the number of women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and veterans in each stage of the selection process. Directors, managers, and supervisors will work closely with human resources and the Affirmative Action Officer in reviewing the requirements for the position, posting the position, and interviewing and selection to ensure that equal opportunity and affirmative action is carried out. Directors, managers, and supervisors will be asked to document their hiring decisions and equal opportunity professionals will review for bias.

Any time the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College cannot justify a hire, the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College takes a missed opportunity. Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College leadership will be asked to authorize the missed opportunity. The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will report the number of affirmative and non-affirmative hires as well as missed opportunities to Minnesota Management and Budget on a quarterly basis.

When candidates are offered interviews, employees scheduling interviews will describe the interview format to the candidate and provide an invitation to request a reasonable accommodation for individuals with disabilities to allow the candidate equal opportunity to participate in the interview process. For example, describe if interview questions are offered ahead of time or what technology may be used during the interview process. This allows for an individual with a disability to determine if they may need a reasonable accommodation in advance of the interview.

All personnel involved in the selection process will be trained and accountable for the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s commitment to equal opportunity and the affirmative action program and its implementation.

B. Monitoring the Hiring Process
To assist the President of Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College, in implementing equal opportunity/affirmative action responsibilities, the Affirmative Action Officer monitors the pre-employment process described above to ensure that no discriminatory effect on members of protected classes occurs.
The IFO and MSUAASF collective bargaining agreements and the Personnel Plan for Administrators may contain additional information regarding the employment and appointment process for unclassified employees.

1. Unclassified Positions

a. Search advisory committee members shall be chosen in a manner which ensures that they are as diverse as possible, including women, minorities and members of various bargaining unit affiliates. The participation of persons with disabilities is also encouraged, whenever possible. The Chair of the Search Advisory Committee will be designated by the President, Vice President, Dean, Director, Manager, or Supervisor. The Search Advisory Committee (usually three to five members) is charged with the following responsibilities:
   1) review and sign the confidentiality document for membership on a Search Advisory Committee
   2) assist in the preparation of the vacancy notice;
   3) assist in the preparation of recruitment or advertising plan;
   4) develop job related criteria by which application materials are examined;
   5) respond to applicant inquiries regarding the position;
   6) review application materials
   7) interview; and
   8) recommend acceptable and unacceptable finalists identifying strengths and developmental needs (weaknesses) of all.

b. The Search Advisory Committee participates in preparing documents a-g below. The Affirmative Action Officer and the Vice President or Dean review, agree, and approve:
   1) the position description (classified or ASF) or position summary (IFO)
   2) the vacancy notice including application materials needed from applicants and screening/deadline dates
   3) the advertising plan including special efforts (professional journals, websites, list serves) to recruit members of underutilized groups
   4) the pre-interview selection criteria to be used to evaluate the credentials of applicants.
   5) the list of search advisory committee members
   6) interview questions and basis for assessing applicants’ responses
   7) reference checking procedure and questions (at least two satisfactory references are required).
c. The Affirmative Action Officer or her designee reviews confidentiality and other pertinent information during the recruitment and hiring process with the Selection Advisory Committee. Search Advisory Committee members can learn more about confidentiality in the search process by viewing the MnSCU training videos and handbook: [http://www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/affirmative_action/guidelines/training/](http://www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/affirmative_action/guidelines/training/)

d. Human Resources posts the vacancy notice on NeoGov, the electronic recruitment and selection system adopted by Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College. Human Resources or the hiring manager may place pertinent information in/on designated publications, media, websites and list servs. The Dean, department head, manager or hiring supervisor may assist with the website or list serv posting as requested by HR. Closing date should ensure adequate time for all applicants, including protected classes to review and respond to the vacancy. Closing date for receiving application materials may be a minimum of two weeks and up to four weeks depending on the vacancy. The vacancy notice may also indicate that the position is open until filled.

e. Using information obtained through NeoGov, the Affirmative Action Officer examines the pool for its composition of women, minorities, applicants with disabilities and veterans.

f. The Search Advisory Committee submits its recommendation for applicants to be interviewed to the President, Vice President, or Dean. Once the Dean, Vice President or President, as needed, approves the interviewees, the Affirmative Action Officer also reviews the interviewees selected for compliance with the Affirmative Action Plan objectives.

g. Upon completion of the campus interview process (phone and/or on site) the search advisory committee identifies acceptable and unacceptable finalists and their strengths and weaknesses. The Search Advisory Committee forwards the list along with all interview evaluation forms and strengths and weaknesses) to the Affirmative Action Officer and Dean, President, and/or Vice President so the President or Vice President can make the determination of the individual who will be offered the position.

To assist the President of Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College, in implementing equal opportunity/affirmative action responsibilities, the Affirmative Action Officer monitors the pre-employment process described above to ensure that no discriminatory effect on members of protected classes occurs.
The IFO and MSUAASF collective bargaining agreements and the Personnel Plan for Administrators may contain additional information regarding the employment and appointment process for unclassified employees.

2. Classified Positions

The recruitment and selection of Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical employees included in the executive branch of the Minnesota civil service, comply with Minnesota Statutes 43.18 and 179.14 FER Personnel Rules, and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

Because of the applicable statutes, affirmative action receives its primary emphasis at the State level for recruitment, examination, and the establishment of eligible lists.

Human Resources staff coordinates the recruitment and selection of BSU and NTC classified employees. Consistent with MnSCU policies on Nondiscrimination in Employment and Education Opportunity and Affirmative Action, BSU and NTC have established a selection process for classified employees.

a. The President and Vice Presidents in consultation with Deans or Directors review and approve the vacancy for recruitment.

b. The hiring supervisor completes the Authorization to Fill Classified Position and routes to obtain needed signatures.

c. HR works with hiring supervisor to review and update position description.

d. A Search Advisory Committee may be assembled. HR staff or the AAO meet with the hiring supervisor or Search Advisory Committee to review the recruitment and selection guidelines for classified staff, including a description of underutilized protected groups and goals. A vacancy packet is assembled to include: position description, vacancy notice, advertising plan, position-related criteria for the review of application materials, proposed interview questions, and reference checking guidelines.

e. Job announcement is posted internally and placed on the Minnesota Management and Budget website and may be filled using the Multi Source Recruitment and Selection System.

f. Effective 7/1/2009, Minnesota legislation provides that the top five “Recently Separated Veterans” (RSVs) who meet the minimum qualifications, must be granted an interview for a vacant unlimited classified position. The definition of a RSV is a veteran who has served in active military service on or after September 11, 2001 and has been honorably discharged as shown by reviewing the DD-214.

g. During the posting period, eligible employees as defined by the applicable collective bargaining agreements may request a reassignment or bid.
h. The statewide layoff list is reviewed for employees who were laid off in the same classification from other agencies who have indicated a preference for employment in Bemidji.

i. Position related criteria are applied to each application to determine if minimum requirements are met.

j. The Affirmative Action Officer and the appropriate leadership team members agree to and approve the list of interviewees.

k. Interviews are conducted using uniform position-related questions. A search advisory committee or the hiring supervisor may be involved in the interview process and will complete an assessment form for each applicant.

l. Acceptable and unacceptable applicants are identified using position related criteria. Strengths and development needs (weaknesses) are identified for each interviewee.

m. If the Affirmative Action Officer and HR concurs with the selection, applicants are notified of the hiring decision.

C. Pre-Review Procedure for Layoff Decisions

The Affirmative Action Officer, in conjunction with the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College human resources office, shall be responsible for reviewing all pending layoffs to determine their effect on the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s affirmative action goals and timetables.

If it is determined that there is an adverse impact on protected groups, the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will document the reasons why the layoff is occurring, such as positions targeted for layoff, applicable personnel policies or collective bargaining agreement provisions, or other relevant reasons. The Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College will determine if other alternatives are available to minimize the impact on protected groups.

D. Other Methods of Program Evaluation

Our Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College submits the following compliance reports to Minnesota Management and Budget as part of our efforts to evaluate our affirmative action program:

- Quarterly Monitoring the Hiring Process Reports;
- Biannual Affirmative Action Plan;
- Annual Americans with Disabilities Act Report
- Annual Internal Complaint Report; and
- Disposition of Internal Complaint (within 30 days of final disposition).
Our Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College also evaluates our Affirmative Action Plan in the following ways on a quarterly basis:

- Monitors progress toward stated goals by job category;
- Analyzes employment activity (hires, promotions, and terminations) by job category to determine if there is adverse impact;
- Analyzes compensation program to determine if there are patterns of discrimination;
- Reviews the accessibility of online systems, websites, and ensures that reasonable accommodations can be easily requested; and
- Discusses progress with Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College leadership on a periodic basis and makes recommendations for improvement.

XII. RECRUITMENT PLAN

The objective of this recruitment plan is to ensure our Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College recruitment programs are publicly marketed, attract, and obtain qualified applicants, enhance the image of state employment, and to assist in meeting our Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College affirmative action goals to achieve a diverse workforce.

Estimated recruitment costs incurred during the 2012-2014 plan year were $117,000.

Below are various recruitment methods or strategies utilized by the Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College during the past year.

A. Advertising Sources

Publications in which advertising has occurred for Bemidji State University and Northwest Technical College unclassified and classified positions include:

AACRAO
American Indian Graduate Center*
American Library Association
American Society of Criminology
Association for Education in Journalism
Bemidji Pioneer
   Jobs HQ – (electronic posting of Bemidji Pioneer ads throughout 5-state area)
Boxwood Technologies
Careers in Wind
The Chronicle of Higher Education
The Chronicle of Philanthropy
Diverse: Issues in Higher Education
Duluth News Tribune
Bemidji State University (BSU) and Northwest Technical College (NTC), along with other MnSCU universities and colleges, enhance their diversity by recruiting dual career couples and protected classes through participation in the Upper Midwest Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (UMW HERC). The primary purpose of the Upper Midwest Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (UMW HERC) is to promote dual-career and diversity hiring at member institutions.

BSU and NTC hiring managers have access to the HERC resume/CV database.

Participation in the Upper Midwest (regional) HERC allows BSU and NTC to participate as members in advertising on behalf of all regions to enhance HERC brand recognition.
which, in turn, will encourage more applicants to use the regional and national HERC websites to access vacancy information at BSU and NTC.

The mission of the regional HERC is to advance the efforts of member institutions to recruit and retain outstanding and diverse faculty and staff and to assist dual career couples.

The regional HERC accomplishes their mission through:
- Comprehensive regional higher education job boards
- Regular regional meetings with guest speakers covering topics of interest to member institutions
- Email job alerts and dual career search capabilities
- Regional multicultural and relocation information and resources
- Best practice sharing on recruitment and retention topics among members
- Advertising and outreach to potential higher education jobseekers
- Jobseeker data tracking

The Upper Midwest HERC has utilized social networks to connect with prospective faculty and staff through: LinkedIn; Flickr; Twitter; YouTube; Wikipedia with primary objectives of building a professional network, reaching out to applicants and job seekers, and creating a strong institutional (BSU and NTC) brand.

HERC has an extensive partnership program in order to create mutually beneficial ways of supporting each other’s recruitment goals and objectives. All partners can be reviewed at [http://www.uppermidwestherc.org](http://www.uppermidwestherc.org)

For certain administrative positions, national search firms assisted with the identification of qualified administrative candidates.

The majority of these strategies will continue to be used. Those strategies that will be re-evaluated are those not reported by applicants to be the source of information for the position opening.

**B. Job and Community Fairs**

BSU and NTC students are invited and attend regional, state, and national job and community fairs. Faculty and staff are also part of these fairs as sponsors and information sharers with prospective applicants. These have accomplished greater visibility for the campuses in terms of heightened awareness of the opportunities available at the institution for employment but also promote the community and what it offers a prospective employee. BSU and NTC will continue to use these as a strategy to reach out to prospective, qualified individuals with appropriate information regarding our desire to hire protected class individuals.
C. College and University Recruitment Events

Bemidji State University participated in the Placement Exchange, a national recruiting and placement site for institutions and for prospective student affairs professional. The Placement Exchange is a partnership of NASPA, ACUHO-I, NACA, NODA, ASCA and AFA. NASPA, ACUHO-I, NACA, NODA, ASCA and AFA. This exchange has enabled the university to reach a broad and diverse pool of candidates and is an effective and low cost strategy for recruitment that will be continued.

D. Recruitment for Individuals with Disabilities

Individuals with disabilities were targeted by ensuring that the ADA Coordinator of the Minnesota Department of Economic Security received all vacancy notices for distribution to the rehabilitation counselors at Minnesota Workforce Centers. Additionally, statements in vacancy notices specifically mentioned that persons with disabilities were encouraged to apply. BSU and NTC in this next biennium will ramp up these efforts to attract individuals with disabilities. BSU and NTC will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities and will comply with ADA and other laws governing employment of persons with disabilities.

E. Relationship Building and Outreach

The past two years have seen the development and strengthening of relationships with the local economic and state development groups, school districts, communities, and tribal colleges. These partnerships have not only enhanced and facilitated relationships to further academics but also showcased the potential for employment at the two campuses. These outreach and relationship building efforts will be continued and further developed in the next two year cycle.

F. Internships

Supervised work experiences related to specific academic programs are offered. Students are allowed, including those from protected classes, to gain academic credit and/or field experience to reinforce their major field of study. A variety of internships are available in local, state, and federal government agencies, public service organizations and private business. These interns are expected to participate actively in choosing and organizing their internship in coordination with the BSU/NTC coordinator, faculty member, and the on-site agency representative. A strategy that has been suggested for the upcoming cycle is to offer internal internship experiences for students and employees that would prepare and enable them to be qualified for positions on the campuses when they become available. These experiences are evaluated using surveys and interviews with interns and employment sites.

G. Supported Employment (M.S. 43A.191, Subd. 2(d))

Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College supports the employment of individuals with disabilities and will review vacant positions to determine if job tasks can be performed by a supported employment workers. We will work with community
organizations that provide employment services to individuals with disabilities to recruit for these positions.

H. Additional Recruitment Activities
Through participation in the Upper Midwest HERC, BSU, NTC and other MnSCU institutions were represented at several national and state job fairs. BSU and NTC also work intentionally with the three area tribal colleges to seek to recruit Native Americans.

XIII. RETENTION PLAN

Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College is committed to not just the recruitment of women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and veterans, but also to the retention of these protected groups.

A. Individual Responsible for Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College’s Retention Program/Activities
Responsibility for retention is a coordinated effort of a number of university and college leadership team members including the president, vice presidents, deans, directors, managers, supervisors, chief human resource officer, affirmative action officer, and human resource staff. The following individuals share responsibility for authority and oversight:

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Mary L Ward
Interim Affirmative Action Officer
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mward@bemidjistate.edu

B. Separation and Retention Analysis by Protected Groups Analysis report links:
BSU 2013-2014 Separation Analysis found in Appendix pages 63-67.

NTC 2013-2014 Separation Analysis found in Appendix pages 68-71.

C. Methods of Retention of Protected Groups
• Center for Professional Development for faculty fosters professional development activities and resources for this group. Faculty are also encouraged to request sabbatical leaves and research grants through this institutional agency.
• Promotion and tenure decisions are based on performance, achievement and other criteria included in collective bargaining agreements. Promotion and tenure patterns will be analyzed to determine the impact on protected classes.
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- BSU and NTC faculty and staff are recognized on reaching milestone year of service and are honored at all campus wide events.
- Multi-cultural and diversity events involving faculty, staff, and students are held throughout the year on campus and within the greater regional area.
APPENDIX
Discrimination/Harassment Complaint Form

PLEASE READ BEFORE COMPLETION OF FORM

Any complaint of harassment/discrimination is considered confidential data under Minnesota Statute 13.39, Subd. 1 and 2. This information is being collected for the purpose of determining whether harassment/discrimination has occurred. You are not legally required to provide this information, but without it, an investigation cannot be conducted. This information may only be released to the Affirmative Action Officer designee, the complainant, the respondent and appropriate personnel.

Date: ________________________________

Name of COMPLAINANT: ________________________________________________
(if more than one complainant, complete intake form for each)

Address (local): __________________________________________________________

Address (residence): _______________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: _________ Zip: _______________________

Phone: (work) ____________________ (home) _______________________________

Sex:  □ Male   □ Female

Status:  □ Student  □ Faculty  □ Staff  □ Administrator  □ External/Non-Campus

TYPE OF COMPLAINT:  □ DISCRIMINATION  □ HARASSMENT  □ RETALIATION

I WAS DISCRIMINATED/HARASSED/RETALIATED AGAINST ON THE BASIS OF MY:

□ Race  □ Age  □ Reliance on Public Assistance
□ Sex  □ National Origin  □ Sexual Orientation
□ Gender Identity  □ Gender Expression  □ Color
□ Marital Status  □ Creed  □ Religion
□ Membership/Activity in Local Commission  □ Disability
I believe I was discriminated/harassed/retaliated against by:

Name of RESPONDENT: ________________________________________________________
(if more than one respondent, list complete information for each)

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Address (residence): ____________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: _________ Zip: ___________________

Phone: (work) ______________________________ (home) ____________________________

Sex: □ Male □ Female

Status: □ Student □ Faculty □ Staff □ Administrator □ External/Non-Campus

Name of RESPONDENT #2: _____________________________________________________
(if more than one respondent, list complete information for each)

Address (local): ________________________________________________________________

Address (residence): ____________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: _________ Zip: ___________________

Phone: (work) ______________________________ (home) ____________________________

Sex: □ Male □ Female

Status: □ Student □ Faculty □ Staff □ Administrator □ External/Non-Campus

Name of RESPONDENT #3: _____________________________________________________
(if more than one respondent, list complete information for each)

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Address (residence): ____________________________________________________________

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Sex: □ Male □ Female

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Sex:  □ Male  □ Female

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EXPLAIN YOUR COMPLAINT IN DETAIL. INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY. ATTACH DOCUMENTS YOU BELIEVE MAY BE HELPFUL IN INVESTIGATING YOUR COMPLAINT.

1. Describe the specific incident(s) of discrimination/harassment/retaliation. List times, dates, locations, names and titles of the people involved in the incident(s).
2. Explain why you believe that you were discriminated/harassed/retaliated against because of your protected class status (race, age, gender, disability, etc.).
3. Provide the names and titles of people you believe were treated more favorably than you due to your protected class status. List the protected class status (race, age, gender, disability, etc.) of each person.

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| What information can this witness provide? __________________________ |

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This complaint is being filed on my honest belief that the State of Minnesota has discriminated against/harassed me. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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B. State Employee/Applicant Request for ADA Reasonable Accommodation Form

The State of Minnesota is committed to complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") and the Minnesota Human Rights Act ("MHRA"). To be eligible for an ADA accommodation, you must be 1) qualified to perform the essential functions of your position and 2) have a disability that limits a major life activity or function. The ADA Coordinator/Designee will review each request on an individualized case-by-case basis to determine whether or not an accommodation can be made.

Employee Name: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Work Location: ____________________________________________________________________

Data Privacy Statement: This information may be used by your Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College human resources representative, ADA Coordinator or designee, your Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College legal counsel, or any other individual who is authorized by your Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College to receive medical information for purposes of providing reasonable accommodations under the ADA and MHRA. This information is necessary to determine whether you have a disability as defined by the ADA or MHRA, and to determine whether any reasonable accommodation can be made. The provision of this information is strictly voluntary; however, if you refuse to provide it, your Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College may refuse to provide a reasonable accommodation.

Questions to clarify accommodation requested.

1. What specific accommodation are you requesting?

2. If you are not sure what accommodation is needed, do you have any suggestions about what options we can explore.
   a. If yes, please explain.

Questions to document the reason for the accommodation request (please attach additional pages if necessary).
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A. What, if any job function are you having difficulty performing?

B. What, if any employment benefit are you having difficulty accessing?

C. What limitation as result of your physical or mental impairment is interfering with your ability to perform your job or access an employment benefit?

D. If you are requesting a specific accommodation, how will that accommodation be effective in allowing you to perform the functions of your job?

Information Pertaining to Medical Documentation

In the context of assessing an accommodation request, medical documentation may be needed to determine if the employee has a disability covered by the ADA and to assist in identifying an effective accommodation.

The ADA Coordinator/Designee in each college or university is tasked with collecting necessary medical documentation. In the event that medical documentation is needed, the employee will be provided with the appropriate forms to submit to their medical provider. The employee has the responsibility to ensure that the medical provider follows through on requests for medical information.

Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 Disclosure: This authorization does not cover, and the information to be disclosed should not contain, genetic information. “Genetic Information” includes: Information about an individual’s genetic tests; information about genetic tests of an individual’s family members; information about the manifestation of a disease or disorder in an individual’s family members (family medical history); an individual’s request for, or receipt of, genetic services, or the participation in clinical research that includes genetic services by the individual or a family member of the individual; and genetic information of a fetus carried by an individual or by a pregnant woman who is a family member of the individual and the genetic information of any embryo legally held by the individual or family member using an assisted reproductive technology.

Employee Signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________
C. Underutilization Analysis Worksheets
## 2010 Labor Force Availability

### 2010 Minnesota Statewide Labor Force Availability

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Source: American Fact Finder (U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census)

For Disabilities and Veterans, the Availability % comes from the Office of Federal Contractor Compliance Program ("OFCCP")
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* Percentage is less than percentage of women in the workforce.
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BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY/NORTHWEST TECHNICAL COLLEGE

A. Other Bemidji State University/Northwest Technical College Information, Policies, or Documents

Bemidji State University Organizational Chart

President
BSU/NTC
R. Hanson

Assistant to the President for Affirmative Action & General Administration (Interim)
M. Ward

Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs
M. Tadlock

Vice President for Student Development & Enrollment
J. Parker

Director of Communications & Marketing
S. Faust

Vice President for Finance & Administration
W. Maki

Vice President for Innovation & Extended Learning and Interim Dean at NTC
R. Griggs

Executive Director of University Advancement
R. Bollinger

Athletic Director
T. Dill

Administrative Assistant
J. Carroll

7/22/14
### Bemidji State University
**Discrimination/Harassment Complaint Process**
(MnSCU 1B.1)

**Complaint:**
Allegation/Complaint received by campus administrator/supervisor.

**Appears to be a 1B.1 issue?**

Yes: Administrator refers complaint to Designated Officer * for investigation.

No: Refer to appropriate campus resource.

**Initial Inquiry:**
Designated Officer (DO) determines process. The goal is to make the offensive behavior stop.

**Formal Resolution:**
Complicated or more serious circumstances; investigation goes forward.

**Investigation:**
1. Interviews
2. Appropriate documentation
3. Investigative report written and forwarded to Decision Maker

**Decision:**
Decision Maker* determines if MnSCU 1B.1 has been violated based on investigative report. Decision maker informs complainant and respondent.

**Discipline:**
Determines discipline, if appropriate and informs parties.

**Case closed**

**Informal Resolution:**
Designated Officer intervenes to stop offensive behavior.
1. Meets with Complainant & Respondent (parties)
2. Informs parties of process options.
3. Offers options for informal/developmental resolution
4. Informal resolution successful & documented in writing & signed by parties.

**Appeal:**
Upholds or reverses decision

*Designated Officer, Staff and Students: Mary Ward
*Decision Maker: Deans/Vice Presidents
*Appeal: University President

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