



"The mission of the North Dakota Ethics Commission is to strengthen the confidence of the citizens of North Dakota in their government by ensuring and promoting transparency and accountability."

Amended Regular Meeting Agenda

North Dakota Ethics Commission

Sakakawea Room

612 East Boulevard Ave, Bismarck, ND 58505

9:00 AM CST, May 20, 2026

A MS Teams live stream is available here: [Click here to join the meeting.](#)

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda Additions
3. Public Comment Period
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 24, 2026 Regular Meeting
5. Operations Report:
 - a. Budget Update for April
 - b. Filings & Case Management Report for April
 - c. Education & Outreach Update
 - d. Human Resources Update
 - e. Case Management System Update
6. Chair Lindquist Farewell Message
7. Ongoing Business
 - a. Public Priorities Survey Data Review
 - b. Discussion of Strategic Plan
 - c. 2027 – 2029 Budget Request Discussion
 - d. Update on Commissioner Appointment Process



- e. Standard Operating Procedure for Meeting Requests to Individual Commissioners
- f. Discussion of *Citizens Alliance of North Dakota et al v. Wrigley et al*, No. 1:25-cv-256 (D.N.D. 2025).

This portion of the meeting may be closed to the public for executive session pursuant to N.D.C.C. §§ 44-04-19.1 and 44-04-19.2 for the purpose of attorney consultation.

- g. Discussion of Attorney General Letter Opinion 25-L-03.

This portion of the meeting may be closed to the public for executive session pursuant to N.D.C.C. §§ 44-04-19.1 and 44-04-19.2 for the purpose of attorney consultation regarding actions available to the Commission, including litigation, relating to Attorney General Opinion 25-L-03 and on the legal risks, strengths, and weaknesses of proposed actions of the Commission regarding Attorney General Letter Opinion 25-L-03 which, if held in public, would have an adverse fiscal effect on the entity.

- 8. Advisory Opinion Requests 26-03, 26-05, 26-06, 26-07, and 26-08

- 9. Discussion of Legislator Travel Inquiry

- 10. Legal Discussion on Receipt of Information Containing Evidence of Ethics Violations

This portion of the meeting may be closed to the public for executive session pursuant to N.D.C.C. §§ 44-04-19.1 and 44-04-19.2 for the purpose of attorney consultation regarding actions available to the Commission, relating to receipt of information containing evidence of ethics violations and on the legal risks, strengths, and weaknesses of proposed actions of the Commission regarding the information which, if held in public, would have an adverse fiscal effect on the entity. Discussion of this item may also involve information regarding the content and parties to a complaint, which are confidential and must be discussed in executive session pursuant to N.D.C.C. §§ 54-66-12(1), 54-66-12(3), and 44-04-19.2(1).

- 11. Discussion of Complaint Nos. 23-014, 24-008, 24-013, 24-015, 24-031, 24-032, 24-035, 25-004, 25-021, 25-022, 25-038, 25-039, 25-047, 25-048, 25-049, 25-050, 25-051, 25-052, 25-053, 25-054, 25-055, 25-056, 25-057, 25-060, 25-061, 25-062, 25-068, 26-018, 26-019, and 26-020.

This item must be discussed in executive session. The authority for closing this portion of the meeting is N.D.C.C. Sections 54-66-12(1), 54-66-12(3), and 44-04-19.2(1) - information regarding the content and parties to a complaint to the Ethics Commission is confidential.



12. Executive Director Annual Performance Evaluation

13. Adjourn