North Dakota Association of Elementary School Principals
General Board Meeting
Thursday, February 1, 2018
Ramkota, Bismarck

NDAESP Mission Statement: The mission of the NDAESP is to assist, support, and serve elementary and middle school principals in order to provide quality education for all children.

1. Call to Order - Anna Sell
   a. President Sell called the meeting to order at 3:54 pm.

2. Introductions - Anna Sell
   a. Introduction of board members

3. Approval of Agenda and Minutes - Anna Sell
   a. Keith Leintz made a motion to approve the agenda. Sherry Schmidt seconded. Agenda approved.

4. Secretary/Treasurer Report - Jenn Arlien
   a. Minutes from Oct. 18, 2017 were presented. Michael Sorin motioned to approve the minutes. Susie Atkinson seconded. Report approved.

5. Reports and Discussion
   a. NAESP - John Alstad
      i. Reviewed the number of members in NDAESP and NAESP.
      ii. National Conference will be held in Orlando in July. The service project will take place at Catalina Elementary to build a playground.
      iii. Colorado is holding zone 7 breakfast. Colorado is currently working on organizing the reception. Possibly holding it at Disney World.
      iv. NAESP Webinar Wednesdays are very helpful and videos are archived.
      v. National Panel of New Principals - Haley Haugen shared her experience of being part of this panel.

   b. Editor’s Report - Chris Bastian
      i. 2 newsletters left for the year.
      ii. If you know of anybody retiring please let Chris know by May 18. Chris would like to acknowledge them in the last newsletter.
      iii. NDAESP vote will be coming up for vice president. Matt Strind (Bismarck) and Nancy Kochmann (Kindred) are running for this position.
      iv. Chris encouraged members to run for the executive board.

   c. NDCEL - Russ Ziegler
      i. NDCEL is right on track for their budget. However, they are moving to online banking data base and switching banks to BNC.
ii. Do we want to keep reserves in money market or investment pool? John Alstad made a motion to move our money into the money market. Jerry Standifer seconded it.

iii. Discussion took place on getting everybody on the same renewal cycle for NDAESP. Possibly a late August renewal cycle to make it easier for business managers.

iv. Legislative Update:
   1. Fiscal: Trying to teach the education committees how the funding formula works. Policy: Targeted Efficiency - How can we do more with less? How can we build capacity to create efficiency? NDCEL is asking REA’s to complete a needs assessment.
   2. Possibility that DPI will take over administrator credential renewals. Shawn Oban is serving on this committee.
   3. Education jobs - working to bring more enhanced people for jobs. Reaching out to various colleges, job service, etc.
   4. Focus on public education - selling I heart ND Public Education shirts. Hoping all teachers and administrators all have one of those shirts. Proceeds go towards scholarships.

   d. Federal Relations - Jason Hornbacher
      i. March 18-21 - going to Washington, DC - Meeting with senator Heidi Heitkamp. Waiting to hear back from Cramer and Hoeven.
      ii. Title 2 Part A - funding for principals for staff development.
      iii. Charter and magnet schools increase to $167 million- ND does not have charter/magnet schools. How can we access those funds in ND?

   e. Region Reports - Regional Representatives
      i. Region meetings will take place on 2/2/18 at 7:30 AM. Each region representative shared what they have been doing at their region meetings.

   f. Zone 7 Update - Dave Steckler
      i. Zone 7 director - Tim Koster from Lead, SD has been newly appointed on the National Board.

   Ideas for the fall conference:
      1. Send russ Ziegler a message.

New Business
   A. NDAESP/NAESP Membership - John Alstad
      ● Currently secondary and superintendents are joint members. When they join the state they also join the national organization. There are benefits of joining the national organizations. A vote will more than likely be coming in October 2018.
Chris Bastian encourage each zone to discuss this at each of the zone meetings on 2/2/18.

Next meeting is at the summer conference:

6. **Adjourn Meeting**
   
   Dave Steckler made the motion to adjourn. Jeremy Mehlhoff seconded. Motion carried.

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