North Dakota Association of Elementary School Principals
General Board Meeting
Thursday, February 7, 2019
Baymont, Mandan

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 - Shawn Oban**
   a. President Oban called the meeting to order at 3:46 pm.

2. **Introductions - Shawn Oban**
   a. Introduction of board members

3. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes - Shawn Oban**
   a. John Alstad made a motion to approve the agenda. Nancy Kochmann seconded. Agenda approved. Carried.

4. **Secretary/Treasurer Report - Jenn Arlien**
   a. Minutes from Oct. 17, 2018 were presented Jeremy Mehlhoff motioned to approve the minutes. Joy Walker seconded. Report approved. Motion carried.


6. **Reports and Discussion**
   a. **NAESP - John Alstad**
      i. There are 337 elementary principals in ND. 272 are NDAESP members and 179 are NAESP members.
      ii. National Conference will be held July 10-12 in Spokane. Alaska is hosting the Zone 7 reception. In 2021, the national conference will be held in Chicago.
      iii. National Leaders Conference in March.
      iv. NAESP Vice President vote will be coming up: Julie Bloss, Sharon McNary, Paul Wenger are running for the position. A vote will take place through email.

   b. **Editor’s Report - Chris Bastian**
      i. The next edition of The Voice will include award winners from the midwinter conference.
      ii. Members received an email introducing the three candidates that are running for NDAESP Vice President. The vote for this will take place online February 8-12, 2019.
c. NDCEL - Tonya Hunskor
   i. NDCEL met in December to find out which bills would be coming.
   ii. Aimee Copas is hosting weekly legislative updates on Friday afternoons at 3:30 to update members on the progress of bills. These sessions are also archived.
   iii. Reviewed fall and midwinter conferences. Encouraged members to attend the summer conference and Boot Camp this summer.

d. Federal Relations - Jason Hornbacher
   i. Jason Hornbacher was recently named the Bismarck Superintendent to this position will be open until filled in August. Jason will not be attending the National Leader’s Conference in March.
   ii. K-12 overview of recommendations were reviewed: 2% per pupil payment, on-time funding, Teacher Leader Incentive Fund.
   iii. Title funding was reviewed president trump signed into a law a funding bill for fiscal year of 2019.

iv.

e. Region Reports - Regional Representatives
   i. Each region representative shared what they have been doing at their region meetings.
      1. Region 1 - Tim Schaefer -
         a. Spring book study is planned.
      2. Region 2 - Janis Gerdin -
         a. Principals shared what they were focusing on in their buildings this year.
      3. Region 3 - Kristin Mitchell -
         a. Continuing to gather contact information principals in their region. They had a good turnout for their last meeting.
      4. Region 4 - Jon Dryburgh -
         a. Focus has been on planning for midwinter conference.
      5. Region 5 - Jerry Standifer -
         a. Fall and spring meetings have been planned.
      6. Region 6 - Dan Gerrard
         a. No report.
      7. Region 7 - Amanda Meier -
         a. Great turnout for meeting. Door prizes were an incentive.
      8. Region 8 - Tracey Lecoe -
         a. Ideas for the 2020 midwinter conference were discussed and upcoming social in March.
New Business

A. NDAESP/NAESP Membership - John Alstad
   ● Discussion on merging NDAESP and NAESP.
   ● Dave Steckler and Dave Wick informed members about NAESP from their own perspective and the values of having joint membership. One of the benefits identified was getting to know principals from other states and the collaboration that takes place. Another member benefit is the liability insurance coverage. NAESP will provide $1,000 per year up to $10,000.
   ● Tonya Hunskor shared possible concerns with voting on the merger of NDAESP and NAESP.
   ● Aimee Copas discussed how NDCEL have doing things the way they have in the past and she has been working with her counterpart in Montana for NDCEL to become more efficient.
   ● 62 voting members at the general meeting. 42 votes needed for 2/3 majority.
      Yes: 44 votes
      No: 18
      Motion passed.

Positions Open in August:
Federal Relations position and NDAESP State Representative Responsibilities open - Shawn Oban

Region Boundaries:
   a. NDAESP/NDASSP Region Boundaries
      i. Russ presented map “Option C” - both secondary and elementary voted on this option.
      ii. showing regions for elementary principals, secondary principals, and superintendents. elementary and secondary principals to collaborate easier.

Legislative Update:

Policy Bill:

1. School Calendar Bill - Schools would be able to use hours and minutes versus school days. Passed the house 86-5.
2. Tenure Bill - extends a first year teacher grace period to groom them and give them time to improve. from one year to three.
3. Additional PD - A lot and no funding tied to them.
4. Alternate Teacher License Bills -
5. K12 Coordination Council- make govts more efficients K12. Broad based agencies to come together to work with governor.
6. CDE to CTE -
7. PD Fall Conference - 2 fall conference day is preserved.
8. No felons on school board -
9. August 10 - Oct. 10 - The law was clarified of when the budgets are due
10. Seclusion and Restraint -
11. Background Checks for SB and Schools failed.
12. Dual Credit - would allow jr and sr early access to state scholarhsip to be used for dual credit.
13. Gun bill

Aimee updated staff upcoming NDCEI trainings.

ED Jobs reminder - get your open jobs on this site

PD survey -

John Alstad Made a motion “To enlarge our joint membership with NDAESP and NAESP to encompass NDCEL under one fee.”

Motion passed.

Dave Steckler - seconded

Discussion: Dr. NDAESP, NAESP and NDCEI meet with superintendent's board to ensure

Next meeting is at the summer conference on June 12, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned by President Oban at 5

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