NDAESP GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, October 22, 2009

NDCEL Conference

Ramkota Hotel, Lamborn RM, Bismarck, ND

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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

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1. **Call to Order**- President Dave Steckler called the meeting to order
   a. Introductions
      i. Those present were welcomed.
      ii. Members of the Executive Board were introduced
   b. Approval of Agenda
      i. Dave Wegner made a motion to approve the agenda. Tricia Erickson seconded.
         Agenda approved

2. **Secretary/Treasurer Report**
   a. David Saxberg presented the meeting minutes from the February 20, 2009 General Business Meeting. Tricia Erickson motioned to approve the minutes, Pete Lingen seconded. Motion Passed.
   b. David Saxberg presented the Treasurer Report- Total assets: $27,804.05. The budget adopted at the August 7, 2009 Executive Board meeting was introduced. Total revenue of $31,350.00 and Total expenses of $31,350.00. Keith Leintz made a motion to approve the Treasurer report. Jason Gullickson seconded. Motion passed.

3. **Reports and Discussion**
   a. Editor’s Report- David Hanson
      i. Article due dates for 2009-2010:
         1. December 18th - topical ideas
         2. March 2nd - Candidate information
         3. May 10th - Awards issue
      ii. Advertising- six sponsors have paid $350.00 each for a total revenue of $2100
      iii. Dave is considering putting into action the NDAESP Blog on the NDAESP website again.
iv. Dave encouraged those not on the listserve to contact him if interested in being added.

b. NDCEL report- Loren Kersting, Doug Johnson
   i. Substitute teacher shortage- Discussions continue between NDCEL and ESPB and how to solve the lack of available substitute teachers.
   ii. There are new graduate credit requirements for renewing ND teaching certificates. ESPB is continuing to send out letters for clarification.
   iii. The new administrator’s workshop was well received
   iv. NDCEL passed it’s recent audit
   v. Doug encouraged members to follow the work of the Education Commission. Topics of interest for our group will continue to be pre-kindergarten.

c. Federal Relations Report- Lynn Wolf
   i. Principals are encouraged to contact our Senators, Dorgan and Conrad, and Representative Pomeroy to share our support and appreciation for the work they do for North Dakota schools. Lynn shared a handout with contact information.

d. NAESP Report- Mike Forsberg
   i. Covered under Old Business

4. Old Business
   a. Strategic Plan-Core Principles- Dave Steckler/Doug Johnson
      i. The Core Principles (NDAESP's strategic plan) were reviewed and have been discussed at region meetings.
   b. Goal Buster Status- Mike Forsberg
      i. 198 current members. The goal for 2009-10 is to add 6 new members (active or aspiring) Goal Buster Plus
      ii. Still waiting to hear on how NAESP will recognize ND’s Goal Buster status at the Leadership Conference in the summer considering that our membership enrollment drops in the summer months since our members do not enroll until the fall.
   c. National Convention- Dave Steckler/ Mike Forsberg
      i. Motel Update- Most early bird discounts are taken (check web site). Rooms available at higher rates for the following at higher rates:
         1. Hilton Americas Houston, Four Seasons Hotel Houston, and Hyatt Regency Houston
      ii. Mike will share more information on the two airports in Houston in relation to the conference headquarters.
      iii. North Dakota will be a part of a Zone 7 state booth with other states from Zone 7 instead of having our own individual booth. This will save money in the future and help streamline the organization and management of implementing a state booth at the national conference
   d. Zone 7 List-Serve- No discussion
5. **New Business**
   a. **Awards** - Dave Hanson
      i. Members are encouraged to be sending in nominations for peers to receive various awards
   b. **Mentoring Programs** - Mary Jelinek
      i. Mary shared that mentees are available for new administrators if requested. Dave Hanson is the contact person. Information is shared to new principals at the new administrator workshop.
   c. **2010-2011 NDCEL Fall Conference** - Loren Kersting
      i. NDAESP members are encouraged to contact Doug Johnson and NDCEL representatives with topic ideas for the 2010-11 NDCEL Fall Conference
   d. **NDAESP Executive Board Positions** - Tricia Erickson
      i. Two positions are up for election this coming year: Vice-President and State Representative. Members were encouraged to consider running for these positions.
   e. **New Principals Introduced** - President Steckler
      i. President Steckler recognized new principals at the meeting.
   f. **Future Meetings**
      i. February 3, 2010 @ 3:30 PM NDAESP Executive Board Meeting via video conference
      ii. Midwinter in Aberdeen, SD- May 5-7, 2010
          1. Members were encouraged to attend and support the conference being planned with South Dakota.
      iii. Spring Meeting in Mandan- There is no Executive Board meeting being planned at this time due to the May conference in Aberdeen, SD.

6. **Adjourn Meeting** - President Steckler called for adjournment of the meeting.
   a. Bob Klemisch motioned for adjournment of the meeting. Susie Atkinson seconded. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.

THESE MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED AT THE NEXT GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING, MAY, 2010.