

North Dakota Association of Elementary School Principals

Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 19th, 2016—9:00 AM CST

Exec 1-Baymont Inn & Suites, Mandan, ND

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.

Members Present: Joy Walker, Minot; Vicki Held, North Star- Cando; Lynn Wolf, Bismarck; Dave Steckler, Mandan; Anna Sell, Oakes; David Hanson, Wyndmere; Deb Follman, Devils Lake; Audrey Faul, Harvey; Shari Bilden, Northwood; Jean Schafer, Mandan; Chris Bastian, Casselton; Kathryn Lenertz, Minot; Stacy Murschel, Beulah; Susie Atkinson, Mandan; John Alstad, Bismarck; Tracy Lecoe, Bowman County; Pat Smith, Jamestown; Aimee Copas.

1. Call to Order—Stacy Murschel

- a. President Murschel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Introductions—Stacy Murschel

- a. Everyone introduced themselves.

3. Approval of Agenda—Stacy Murschel

- a. Dave Hanson made a motion to approve the agenda. Lynn Wolf seconded. Agenda approved.

4. Secretary/Treasurer Report—Susie Atkinson

- a. Susie Atkinson presented the meeting minutes from the February 3rd, 2016, Executive Board Meeting. Kathryn Lenertz motioned to approve the minutes. John Alstad seconded. Report approved.
- b. Susie Atkinson presented the Treasurer Report. Total assets as of March 31, 2016-- \$97,353.00. Joy Walker made a motion to approve the Treasurer Report. Tracy Lecoe seconded. Report approved.

5. Reports and Discussion

- a. NAESP—John Alstad
 - i. We have 264 state members and 153 national members. John encouraged all to welcome new regional principals each year and to make personal contacts.
 - ii. John gave updates on the national convention, the national leadership conference, and the national principal's program.
- b. Editor's Report—Dave Hanson
 - i. We are winding down the year with only one publication date left - May 1st. (send to Chris)
 - ii. If anyone knows of any late retirees, they need to send a bio and picture to Chris so it can be included in the the next issue of "The Voice".

- iii. By-law change- Dave reported on the constitutional update regarding the Executive Director of NDCEL and any NAESP National Board Member from North Dakota will serve as non-voting ex-officio members. A motion was made by Audrey Faul to accept as written and seconded by Deb Follman. Motion carried.
- c. NDCEL- Chris Bastian
 - i. The move to the new NDCEL building is mostly completed.
 - ii. Chris reported on the Assessment Task Force. We have another year left on contract with Smarter Balanced and are looking for options after these 2 years are over. We are not looking away from Common Core; rather, looking for ways to make improvements. A sub committee was formed to work on a letter to present to Superintendent Baesler which would address our concerns.
 - iii. Chris announced NDCEL's new job vacancy website: [www. EdJobsND.com](http://www.EdJobsND.com)
 - iv. Information was shared about the summer NDCEL Conference: June 15-17th at Legacy HS.
- d. Federal Relations—Lyn Wolf
 - i. Lynn reported on the National Leaders Conference he attended in Washington in Feb. where he thanked our leaders for their support in passing of ESSA. He also shared about the discussions held regarding the trauma issues faced in our schools today.
 - ii. Lynn thanked everyone for giving him the privilege of serving as the Federal Relations spokesperson for NDAESP.
- e. Region Reps Reports—Regional Representatives
 - i. Each rep that was present gave reports.
- f. Zone 7 Update – Dave Steckler
 - i. Dave shared his views with the group regarding the NAESP board and his concerns with the voting process. He also informed the group that the committee has 2 openings and to let him know if you are interested. The 2017 national conference will be a joint conference with NASSP held in Philadelphia.

6. Old Business

- a. Leadership Conference Update - attendees
 - i. Chris Bastian commented on the panel he attended regarding educational issues.
- b. Assessment Task Force Update- Stacy Murschel
 - ii. Stacy commented on the business covered during the task force meetings. The task force committee meetings are at a standstill at this time.

7. New Business

- a. Increasing State & National Membership-John Alstad
 - i. A suggestion was made to send a note to regional reps to help us out with finding who are not members in their area and making a contact with them to join the state and national associations. Also continue to invite someone from the national office to attend our Mid-Winter conference.
- b. NDCEL Rep-appointment- Stacy Murschel

- i. Audrey Faul will be taking Chris Bastian's spot on the NDCEL board.

8. Future Events

- a. NDCEL Summer Conference—June 15-17 Legacy HS in Bismarck
- b. NAESP National Convention—July 6-8, 2016 National Harbor
- c. NDAESP Executive Meeting—August 4th, 2016 Bismarck
- d. Annual ND Administrators Conference- August 3-5 Bismarck
 - i. The Executive Board will meet with the new people taking over positions and go through the by-laws with them during a supper meeting on August 3rd.

9. Adjourn Meeting – Stacy Murschel

- a. Chris Bastian made the motion to adjourn. Vicki Held seconded. Motion carried.

THESE MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED AT THE NEXT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, August 4th, 2016.