

**Meeting Minutes:** Governance Committee

**Date/Time:** January 23, 2023/12:00 p.m. NOON

**Location:** Board Room in District Office

**Start:** 12:00 p.m.

**End:** 12:49 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Nikkie Gullickson, Seth Holden, Jim Johnson (via phone), Robin Nelson, Tracie Newman

**Committee Members Absent:** none

**Non-Committee Members Present:** none

**Staff Members Present:** Tara Brandner, Missy Eidsness, Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, Bob Grosz

**Recorder:** AnnMarie Campbell

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations/Actions
<b>Approval of December 19 Minutes</b>	The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the December 19 committee meeting.	The minutes will be posted on the Board's section of the public website.
<b>AASA Mentor Program</b>	Dr. Gandhi has been asked to be a mentor in the AASA Leadership Mentor Program. He shared the handbook and orientation information on the program. Currently, Dr. Gandhi serves as a mentor through NDCEL's program; the compensation he receives for being a mentor he provides to FPS as the work mostly occurs during the workday. For the AASA program, Dr. Gandhi would receive \$3,000 per mentee; he is unaware of how many individuals he will mentor. Per the parameters of the AASA program, Dr. Gandhi sought direction for the Board for his acceptance of the mentor stipend due to the work associated with the program, the program in and outside of the workday and his lack of a PTO structure in this contract, and the approval needed from the Board in the AASA program parameters. Discussion occurred. Committee members were supportive of Dr. Gandhi being a mentor through the AASA program. Consensus was reached to support Dr. Gandhi's service as a mentor in the AASA mentorship program.	Consensus was reached to support Dr. Gandhi's service as a mentor in the AASA mentorship program.
<b>Policies</b> <b>A. EL-15 Monitoring</b> <b>B. GP-2E – Board Compensation</b>	<p>EL-15 was monitored for compliance at the January 10 Board meeting. A comment was included in the monitoring document on if anything can be changed or improved with current policies on student learning environment and discipline with concerns stemming from teacher and student safety. Discussion occurred. It was noted that the Board is currently advocating for behavioral and mental health supports during the legislative session.</p> <p>GP-2E includes the line "Board compensation will be reviewed annually during budget assumption discussions." The annual time of the discussion occurred at the January 10 Board meeting. At that meeting, a motion to reaffirm the current compensation was postponed until the Planning Committee reviewed the topic. It was noted at the January 10 meeting that the Governance Committee could also review the language in GP-2E. Discussion occurred on the language in GP-2E. Consensus was reached that no policy change is needed; the Governance Committee will direct the Planning Committee to review compensation annually, which would be compliance with policy as it is currently stated.</p>	Consensus was reached that no policy change is needed; the Governance Committee will direct the Planning Committee to review compensation annually, which would be compliance with policy as it is currently stated.

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<p><b>Agenda Planning for February Meetings</b></p>	<p><b><i>Refer to Agenda planner for First Quarter 2023</i></b></p> <p>Discussion occurred on the topics needed to be included at the February meetings. The agenda topics were set as follows:</p> <p><u>February 14</u>  <i>Dr. Gandhi will not be at the February 14 meeting due to being at the AASA national conference.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pledge of Allegiance</li> <li>• Reports: Legislative Report; FEA Report; Superintendent Report</li> <li>• Consent: Pledge of Assets; EL Monitoring: EL-12 and 13; Award of Proposal – E-Rate; Award of Bid – South High School Chilled Water System Replacement</li> <li>• Business: none at this time</li> <li>• Board Reports: none at this time</li> <li>• Potential executive session for negotiations strategy for contract negotiations with the FEA</li> </ul> <p><u>February 28</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pledge of Allegiance</li> <li>• Reports: Legislative Report; FEA Report; Superintendent Report</li> <li>• Consent: January Financial Reports; B/SR 1-5</li> <li>• Business: Superintendent Evaluation; 5-8-9 Building Selection Approval; Construction Manager at Risk for 5-8-9 Building Approval; GP-2E Changes</li> <li>• Board Reports: none at this time</li> <li>• Potential executive session for negotiations strategy for contract negotiations with the FEA</li> </ul> <p>GP-2E was reviewed by the Communications, Engagement and Advocacy (CEA) Committee for the school liaison section; the committee would like to recommend a policy change to make the policy more explanatory for the school liaison visit process. Discussion occurred on when to bring the policy to the Board and the use of “must” in the policy for Board members visiting their schools in the first semester each year. Concerns were raised by the Governance Committee on the use of must. Nikkie Gullickson will bring that concern back to the February CEA meeting; the policy change will be brought to the full Board at the February 28 meeting under Business.</p> <p>Robin Nelson asked for feedback on what information the Board would like to receive in the Legislative Report. Discussion occurred. Consensus was reached to review the bills being tracked and the FPS stance on those bills.</p>	
<p><b>The next meeting is set for February 6 at 12:00 p.m. in the Board Room.</b></p>		