

**Meeting Minutes: Governmental Affairs Committee****Date/Time:** November 1, 2022 – 7:30 a.m.**Location:** District Office**Start:** 7:30 a.m.**End:** 7:58 a.m.**Committee Members Present:** Robin Nelson, Melissa Burkland, Katie Christensen, Greg Clark, Nyamal Dei**Committee Members Absent:** None**Board Members Present:** Jim Johnson**Staff Members Present:** Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Tara Brandner**Recorder:** Amy Patterson

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations/Actions
<b>Approval of October 4 Meeting Minutes</b>	Committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the October 4 meeting.	Minutes will be posted on the Board's section of the public website.
<b>Legislative Breakfast</b>	<p>Discussions were held about the planning of the November 17 Information Session for Legislators. Chair Robin Nelson sent a Save the Date email to current representatives. She discussed the need to compile the contact information for the legislative candidates currently running. Committee members agreed to help gather this information.</p> <p>Chair Nelson provided history on the programming for Legislative Breakfasts and asked the group how they envisioned this year's agenda. Discussion occurred on the information session agenda, timeframe of the event and event activities. Consensus was reached for the event agenda to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introductions of Board members and Legislators (Robin)</li> <li>2. Budget "Hold Em" Session (Rupak)</li> <li>3. District Overview (Rupak)</li> <li>4. Draw attention to the QR codes with other states legislative pieces (Rupak)</li> <li>5. Legislative Topics (Rupak &amp; Jim) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive School Culture &amp; Safety</li> <li>• Educational Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Special Ed/EL</li> <li>○ Tuition Revenue Offset / Levy Deduct (Jim) (emphasize that the number they see on the floor per pupil is not the number we receive)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Staff Retention &amp; Recruiting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Educators are the workforce and if we can't pay them more, we can't compete.</li> <li>○ Primary Focus Funding Formula Per Pupil / Staff Salaries</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<p>The legislative contact list will be updated by the committee.</p> <p>Dr. Gandhi will build the PowerPoint and send to Nelson for review and approval.</p> <p>Amy Patterson will send a meeting invite for the event to administration and Board Members.</p> <p>Amy Patterson will send a formal email invitation after the November 8 election.</p> <p>Melissa Burkland will bring doughnuts for the event.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Not just teachers, all staff. 80% Salary &amp; Benefits, 60% is Teachers – also have to think about the whole workforce</li> <li>• Inflation – Forced Expenditures / Competitiveness (The fact that the costs for non-negotiables like bussing and utilities has risen so much and will take up a bigger piece of the pie.)</li> </ul> <p>6. Question Period. (15-20 minutes)</p> <p>Discussion was held on the ongoing election cycle and candidates. Newly-elected legislators will be invited after the election.</p> <p>Chair Nelson will build a list of bills to track during the upcoming legislative session.</p>	
<b>Review Work Calendar</b>	<p>The committee will meet in December prior to the legislative session. The committee will forward a recommendation to the Board to approve the committee and Robin Nelson to take positions between Board Meetings under the Consent Agenda at the December 13 meeting.</p>	
<b>Next Meeting:</b> Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 7:30 a.m.		