

Meeting Minutes: Communications, Engagement and Advocacy (CEA) Committee **Date/Time:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Location: Board room **Start:** 7:33 a.m. **End:** 8:36 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Rebecca Knutson, Seth Holden, Tracie Newman, Nikkie Gullickson, Jennifer Benson

Administrators/Staff Members Present: Rupak Gandhi, AnnMarie Campbell **Recorder:** Betsy Beaton **Guests:** Tamara Uselman, Ricky White

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations or Actions
Minutes	The minutes of the January 18 meeting were reviewed.	The minutes were approved and will be posted on the Board section of the public website.
Board Candidate Information Session	<p>The Board Election information session will be held on March 29 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room. The meeting will be led by Ms. Knutson, board president. Board committee chairs will be asked to attend to explain the different board committees and their functions as well as to help answer questions of potential candidates.</p> <p>Ms. Campbell shared the framework of how the Information sessions have run in the past, which included a presentation, overview of policies and how the Board functions and a question-and-answer session. Dr. Gandhi shared a potential draft agenda of an information session for discussion. Discussion occurred on the information session. Consensus was reached to hold the information session in the audience portion of the Board Room, using tables.</p> <p>Dr. Newman shared a PowerPoint she created for the North High School Career Day, which gives an overview of the School Board and their responsibilities. This could be used for the Information Session. Discussion was held on the content included in the Powerpoint.</p>	<p>Ms. Campbell and President Knutson will work together on an agenda for the School Board Information Session.</p> <p>Ms. Campbell will send an email to Board members to see if they are able to attend the Board information session.</p> <p>The information session will be held in the audience portion of the Board Room.</p> <p>Dr. Newman will update her PowerPoint based on feedback from committee members.</p>
Land Acknowledgement Statement	<p>Dr. Gandhi explained the purpose of a Land Acknowledgement Statement. Administration will be working to craft a statement for Fargo Public Schools for posting in our buildings and to be read at certain public events.</p> <p>Dr. Uselman introduced Ricky White, FPS Cultural Specialist. Mr. White introduced himself and the meaning of the Land Acknowledgement Statement, which is a formal statement that recognizes and respects Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of this land and the enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous Peoples and their traditional territories.</p> <p>Discussion was held on how to develop a statement. The NDSU Land</p>	<p>Dr. Uselman and Ricky White will gain feedback from FPS stakeholders and students to develop a</p>

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	<p>Acknowledgement Statement was shared.</p> <p>Dr. Gandhi shared that the process would be for Dr. Uselman and Mr. White to start a process to develop a statement with FPS stakeholders and students to be brought forward to the Board.</p>	<p>statement, which will be brought to a future the Board meeting.</p> <p>Ms. Gullickson will give an update on this topic and the process to be used during Committee Reports at a future Board meeting.</p>
FPSLearns Videos	<p>Ms. Gullickson discussed creating a FPSLearns about being a Board member.</p>	
Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 19 at 7:30 a.m.</p>	<p>The committee is scheduled to meet on the third Tuesday of the month for the 2021-22 school year.</p>