

Meeting Minutes: Planning Committee – District Office Board Room

Date/Time: May 16, 2023 – 7:30 a.m.

Start: 7:30 a.m.

End: 7:50 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Jim Johnson, Katie Christensen, Nyamal Dei, and Tracie Newman

Committee Members Absent: Seth Holden

Board Members Present:

Staff Members Present: Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, Tara Brandner, Dr. Robert Grosz, Dr. Jeff McCanna, and Bill Westrick

Guests:

Recorder: Amy Patterson

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations/Actions
Approval of Meeting Minutes	The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the April 28, 2023 meeting.	Minutes will be posted on the Board's section of the public website.
Revenue Projections	<p>Jackie Gapp presented the revenue projections for FY2024 & 2025 and reported that 70% of the new money by the District must be spent on non-administrative staff. Discussion was had on new money and the 70% rule. Continued discussion was had on the revenue projections and calculations and student count.</p> <p>Discussion was had on incoming revenue and Esser Funds that are remaining. Esser II is done September 30, 2023. Esser III is done September 30, 2024. We have been utilizing Esser III to fund a lot of positions and will need those positions to move back to the classroom. Positions that were beneficial and helped with student achievement will be the priority. As Esser funds run out, the District will be losing a revenue stream.</p>	Amy Patterson will share the Revenue Projections with the Board and FEA Chairs.
ND Working Parents Child Care Relief	<p>Dr. Gandhi reported that he has been exploring child-care opportunities and discovered a program—the North Dakota Working Parents Child Care Relief. The state will provide up to \$300 match of licensed childcare for a child that is 0-3years old. The employer must match \$300, and the parents would pay the rest. There are income thresholds to meet to qualify, so not everyone will qualify, but this could help a lot of our support staff.</p> <p>Discussion was had on the benefits of this program and the way it would work. It was recommended that we opt-into the program with the state, continue the exploratory phase, and bring it back to the Board if we decide to proceed.</p>	
Renewal Plan and TIF District	Jackie reported that the area behind the Old Broadway is being revamped and a new FM Community Theater is being built on that site. We received a Notice to Attend Hearing on this. Fargo Public Schools will not interfere. It will come back before us when we get the official request.	

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Budget Review (through April)	Jackie Gapp present the budget revisions through April. The revisions were mostly due to end-of-year changes. Departments are getting close to having spent their dollars and are needing to move money around to accomplish what they need to for the end of the year. This has no effect on the bottom line, it is just moving around money within their account codes/reallocating funds.	
Next Meeting: June 20, 2023 at 7:30 a.m.		