

Meeting Minutes: Planning Committee – District Office Board Room**Date/Time:** December 19, 2023 – 7:30 a.m.**Start:** 7:30 a.m.**End:** 7:47 a.m.**Committee Members Present:** Jim Johnson, Greg Clark, Melissa Burkland (Remote), Seth Holden, and Tracie Newman**Committee Members Absent:****Board Members Present:****Staff Members Present:** Missy Eidsness, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, Dr. Robert Grosz, Dr. Jeff McCanna (Remote), 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 October 17, 2023, meeting.	Minutes will be posted on the Board's section of the public website.
Audit Committee Report 2023	The Committee reviewed and discussed the results and findings of the 2023 Audit Committee Report. The findings were all positive and the report was unmodified, with no hiccups. Chair Jim Johnson thanked Jackie Gapp and her team for their hard work and the positive results. This will be on the School Board consent agenda in January for approval.	The 2023 Audit Committee Report will go to the full Board for approval on January 9, 2024.
Fiscal 2024 Budget Revisions	Jackie Gapp reported on budget revisions through December, 2023. She noted there were a few small revisions related to grant dollars that have come in and a few expenditures. This is new grant money, and it is always good news when the District receives additional grant funds.	
Tax Increment Financing Notice for a Parking Garage	The Committee discussed the Tax Increment Financing Notice dated November 21, 2023, for a property tax incentive for more than five years for a parking ramp that will be built adjacent to the new community theater and apartments. Chair Jim Johnson gave some historical background on TIF projects, Renaissance Zones, and pilots and the rationale for Districts to weigh in. The Fargo School Board has not historically weighed in on these matters. Committee discussion was had on the process and the project. Consensus was that the Board will stick with precedent and will not respond or protest.	No action will be taken.
Next Meeting Date	Next meeting date is January 12, 2024 at 7:30 a.m. in the District Office Board Room.	
Board Pay	Chair Jim Johnson handed out a document regarding the data needed for a discussion on Board member salaries for 2024-2025. Discussion was about the fact that the Board's pay has not changed for many years. It has remained the same for the last 10 years or more. The Committee determined that there are many variables that impact the amount of pay Board members should receive and they should all be factored into a decision. It was noted that the rate of inflation, time commitment and the amount of	Jackie Gapp will gather data for the January 12, 2024 meeting. Chair Jim Johnson will gather the rate of inflation data.

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	<p>work should also be considered in this analysis. Discussion was had about the data needed and the factors to consider when looking at increasing Board pay.</p> <p>Committee discussion was also had on the desire to make serving on the Board something that is an option for all and that the rate of pay does make it inaccessible for people. The Committee agreed to gather data and discuss at the next meeting, and then decide what the Committee will recommend.</p>	
<p align="center">Next Meeting: January 12, 2024 at 7:30 a.m.</p>		