

Meeting Minutes: Negotiations Committee – District Office Executive Conference Room**Date/Time:** March 23, 2023 – 12:00 p.m.**Location:** District Office**Start:** 12:00 p.m.**End:** 1:47 p.m.**Committee Members Present:** Seth Holden, Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, Nikkie Gullickson (Remote) and Jim Johnson**Committee Members Absent:****Administrative Staff Present:** Tara Brandner, Missy Eidsness, Lori Feist, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp and Dr. Robert Grosz**Recorder:** Amy Patterson

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations or actions
Approval of March 22 Meeting Minutes	The Committee reviewed the minutes of the March 22, 2023 meeting. The minutes were approved by consensus.	The minutes will be posted on the Board's section of the public website.
Update re: Communications with the FEA	Chair Seth Holden updated the Committee on his conversation with FEA Chair Grant Kraft on audience participation and gathering information from the audience to clear up questions at hand and help keep the process moving forward without the delay of a caucus. The Committee is working hard to ensure that they are well informed and have the necessary information and do not need to rely on the audience for answers. FEA Chair agreed to talk with his team and see what they think about this. If Negotiations are stalled because a question needs to be answered to proceed, one of the Chairs will call on the audience member that may have the answer.	
2023 Teacher Negotiations Topic & Editorial Discussion	Committee discussion was had on agenda topics to prepare for the March 29 Negotiations.*	
Executive Session*	Jim Johnson moved that the Negotiations Committee enter executive session for the purpose of negotiations strategy as permitted under NDCC §44-04-19.1 and 15.1-16-22. Greg Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed (Yes: Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, Nikkie Gullickson, Seth Holden, and Jim Johnson). The executive session was held in the Executive Conference Room on the second floor of the District Office. Chair Seth Holden entered executive session at 12:15 p.m. Board members Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, Seth Holden and Jim Johnson were present in the room. Nikkie Gullickson was present remotely, leaving the meeting at 1:13. Jim Johnson left the room at 1:45 p.m. Additionally, Tara Brandner, Missy Eidsness, Lori Feist, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, Dr. Robert Grosz, and Amy Patterson were present in the room. During the session, discussion was held on negotiations strategy for the upcoming contract negotiations with the Fargo Education Association. The executive session ended at 1:47 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.	
Next Meeting Date	The committee will meet next on Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room.	

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