

Meeting Minutes: Negotiations Committee – District Office Executive Conference Room

Date/Time: April 19, 2023 – 12:00 p.m.

Location: District Office

Start: 12:04 p.m.

End: 1:28 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, Jennifer Fremstad, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, Dr. Jeff McCanna, and Dr. Robert Grosz

Recorder: Amy Patterson

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations or actions
Approval of April 12 Meeting Minutes	The Committee reviewed the minutes of the April 12, 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	Discussion was had about a tentative Saturday work session on May 20 because of all the missed meetings due to inclement weather. There were a lot of conflicts and concerns raised. A suggestion was made to meet on another weeknight, possibly Thursday. The consensus was that this was a better option.	Seth Holden will discuss with Grant Kraft.
2023 Teacher Negotiations Topic & Editorial Discussion	Committee discussion was had on agenda topics to prepare for the April 19 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 12:12 p.m. Board members Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, Seth Holden and Jim Johnson were present in the room. Nikkie Gullickson was present remotely. Additionally, Tara Brandner, Missy Eidsness, Jennifer Fremstad, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, Dr. Robert Grosz, Dr. Jeff McCanna, and Amy Patterson were present in the room. Missy Eidsness left at 12:41, and Jennifer Fremstad left at 1:12. During the session, discussion was held on negotiations strategy for the upcoming contract negotiations with the Fargo Education Association. The executive session ended at 1:28 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.	
Next Meeting Date	The committee will meet next on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room.	
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