



Committee Meeting Notice and Agenda

May 29, 2023

Negotiations Committee
Wednesday, May 31, 2023
12:00 p.m.

District Office Executive Conference Room

Committee Chair: Seth Holden

Members: Nikkie Gullickson, Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, Jim Johnson

Meeting Agenda:

1. Approval of Minutes of May 25, 2023, Meeting
2. Update regarding Communications with the Fargo Education Association
3. Data Requests & Assignment
4. Tentative Agreements
5. 2023 Teacher Negotiations Topic & Editorial Discussion – Possible Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations strategy as permitted under NDCC §44-04-19.1 and 15.1-16-22
6. Affirm Next Negotiations Committee Meeting
7. Adjournment

** The Negotiations Committee consists of five members of the Fargo Board of Education, which is a quorum of the Board. Therefore, this committee meeting constitutes a meeting of the Fargo Board of Education per NDCC 44-04-20.*

Our Land Acknowledgement Statement

Fargo Public Schools respectfully acknowledges that we gather on the lands of the Oceti Sakowin (Oh-chéh-tee Sha-koh-wee), who are the Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda people, and the Anishinaabe (Ah-ni-shin-nah-bay) people of this area.

Meeting Minutes: Negotiations Committee – District Office Executive Conference Room**Date/Time:** May 25, 2023 – 12:00 p.m.**Location:** District Office**Start:** 12:00 p.m.**End:** 1:30 p.m.**Committee Members Present:** Seth Holden, Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, Nikkie Gullickson (Remote)

Committee Members Absent: Jim Johnson

Board Members Present: Katie Christensen**Administrative Staff Present:** Tara Brandner, Patty Cummings, Missy Eidsness, Lori Feist, Jennifer Soupir-Fremstad, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Dr. Robert Grosz, Dr. Jeff McCanna (Remote), and Bill Westrick**Recorder:** Amy Patterson

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations or actions
Approval of Minutes May 18, 2023	The Committee reviewed the minutes of the May 18, 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	There have been no new updates since last night's meeting.	
Data Requests & Assignment	There are no new data requests.	
Tentative Agreements	There are no tentative agreements on the table for signature.	
2023 Teacher Negotiations Topic & Editorial Discussion	Committee discussion was held on negotiations strategy for the upcoming contract negotiations with the Fargo Education Association.	
Executive Session*	Melissa Burkland 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, Nikkie Gullickson, Seth Holden, and Greg Clark). 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 12:26 p.m. Board members Melissa Burkland, Katie Christensen, Greg Clark, and Seth Holden were present in the room. Nikkie Gullickson was present remotely. Additionally, Tara Brandner, Missy Eidsness, Lori Feist, Jennifer Soupir-Fremstad, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Dr. Robert Grosz, Dr. Jeff McCanna and Bill Westrick 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 1:30 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.	
Meeting Planning	Negotiations Committee meetings were scheduled for May 31 and June 1, 7, 8 and 13	
Next Meeting Date	The committee will meet next on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room.	
Next Meeting: May 31, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. – Executive Conference Room		