

Meeting Minutes: Negotiations Committee – District Office Executive Conference Room

Date/Time: June 7, 2023 – 12:00 p.m.

Location: District Office

Start: 12:01 p.m.

End: 1:32 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Seth Holden, Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, Nikkie Gullickson (Remote) and Jim Johnson (Remote)

Committee Members Absent:

Board Members Present: Katie Christensen

Administrative Staff Present: Tara Brandner, Patty Cummings, Shelby DiFonzo, Lori Feist, Jennifer Soupir-Fremstad, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, Dr. Robert Grosz, Dr. Jeff McCanna, Bill Westrick

Recorder: Amy Patterson

Agenda Item	Discussion – Conclusion	Recommendations or actions
Approval of Minutes for June 5, 2023 Meeting	The Committee reviewed the minutes of the June 5, 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 recent updates.	
Data Requests & Assignment	Chair Seth Holden opened it up for discussion and confirmed that there are no outstanding 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 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, 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 12:03 p.m. Board members Melissa Burkland, Greg Clark, and Seth Holden were present in the room. Nikkie Gullickson and Jim Johnson were present remotely. Additionally, Tara Brandner, Patty Cummings, Shelby DiFonzo, Lori Feist, Jennifer Soupir-Fremstad, Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Jackie Gapp, 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. Patty Cummings and Shelby DiFonzo left the meeting at 12:48 p.m. Melissa Burkland left at 1:20 p.m. The executive session ended at 1:32 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.	

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Next Meeting Date	The committee will meet next on Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 7:00 a.m. at Davies High School.	
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