



NESC Joint Governing and Administrative Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 12:30 p.m.
Lake Region State College, Devils Lake, ND

Board Members present: Steve Halldorson, Devils Lake; Matt Bakke, Devils Lake; Dr. Frank Schill, Edmore; Kent Dennis, Fessenden/Bowdon; Jeff Olson, Four Winds; Rhandi Knutson, LRSE; Dr. Doug Darling, LRSC; Kevin Baumgarn, Lakota; Daren Christianson, Langdon Area; Ben Allmaras, Maddock; Jean Callahan, Minnewaukan; Robert Bubach, Munich; and Jackie Thompson, Tate Topa.

Board Members not present: Jay Slade, Dakota Prairie; Gil Black, Kensal; Robert Thom, Leeds; Ryan Baron, Midkota; Dave Ambers, Minnewaukan; Brad Nash, Mount Pleasant-Rolla; Dr. Jill Louters, New Rockford/Sheyenne; Donna Sorensen, NDSD; Jeff Hagler, North Star; Jordan Brown, Oberon; Amber Krapp, Pingree/Buchanan; Michelle Clouse, St. Joseph; Larry Volk, Starkweather; Mary Langley, Warwick; and Angela Brandt, Warwick.

Others present: Jennifer Carlson, NESC Executive Director

Welcome & Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Steve Halldorson, Governing Board President, at 12:30 p.m.

Review of Agenda

No changes were made to the agenda.

Board Minutes Approval

A motion to approve the April 12, 2023 minutes was made by Kent Dennis and seconded by Robert Bubach on pages 3-8 of the board packet; motion carried.



Financial Report

Jennifer Carlson reviewed the current financial report on pages 9-11 which included the current NESC and NYCP grant financials as well as a draft budget for 2023-2024. Jean Callahan motioned to approve the financial report; Daren Christianson seconded; motion carried.

NESC Operations

NESC Business Services

The NESC has been exploring taking over business services to operate independently. We have explored options with CREA and DLPS as well as had meetings with Software Unlimited (info on page 12) and health insurance vendors. At this time, DLPS has offered to continue to work with the NESC and will assist with exploring transitions through the 2023-2024 school year with payroll/HR, accounts payable and receivable.

NESC Programs and Services Overview

A listing of NESC services related to PD, school-based programs and direct student services is included on pages 13-14.

Grants/Professional Learning

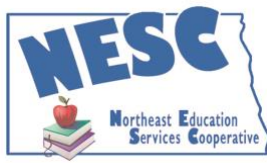
NDREA – DPI High Impact Tutor Training Grant

The NESC and SEEC collaborate for this statewide project, which provides the option for schools to participate in The Master Teacher PD (online platform with 150+ courses; annual subscription paid directly by NESC) – page 15. Other opportunities include Safe and Civil Schools, *Assisting the Teacher* virtual workshop on August 21 – page 16-17. Schools are encouraged to have participants register for the workshop soon (registrations are limited to 100 and currently there are 78 registered). This grant was recently extended through 2024.

DPI NDSS Grant

The NESC, SEEC and CREA hold a collaborative grant from DPI to support schools' implementation of the ND Content Standards through 2024. ND Standards-Based Learning frameworks, resources, and professional learning are in development with more to be available to schools during the 2023-2024 school year.

State Work Groups (priority standards/scales development) – was held June 2, 5 & 6



[Proficiency Scale workshop](#) w/ Jan Hoegh, Marzano Resources – June 7 or 8 – info on page 18

[NDSBL Website](#) (including ND Priority Standards and proficiency scales) – info on page 19-20

DPI Assessing to Inform Grant

The NESCS oversees this statewide project with the goal to analyze and apply data for improved student outcomes. Resources include:

Archived AIMSweb, Renaissance STAR, FastBridge & NWEA Sessions/Resources:

[Phase 1 \(Universal Screeners\)](#) – page 21-22

[Phase 2 \(Diagnostics\)](#) – page 23-24

[Phase 3 \(Progress Monitoring\)](#) – page 24-25

[Archived ACT, PreACT and WorkKeys Sessions/Resources](#) – page 26

Science of Reading Training to support NDCC 15.1-21-12.1

Last year, REAs formed a state workgroup with DPI to develop professional learning to support the mandated trainings related to the Science of Reading legislation. Resources from NDREA are available here: <https://www.ndrea.org/index.php?id=139>.

Plans for 2023-24 Science of Reading Professional Learning include:

[LETRS Volume 1](#) – page 28-29

LETRS Volume 2 – Registration opens soon!

[Foundations of Reading](#) – page 30-31

[Supporting Secondary Struggling Readers](#) – page 32-33

Math Professional Learning coming in 2023-2024

DPI and NDREA are monitoring schools' needs for math support, along with Science of Math developments, etc. We're seeking funding opportunities for collaborative development and facilitation of professional learning and resources in the 2023-24 school year; more information will hopefully be available soon.

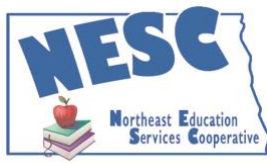
NESCS Professional Learning

NESCS Regional Fall Inservice 2023 – page 34-36

Option 1 => 8:30 – 12:00 / Jim Wichman / *Cultivate – Every Student. Every Day*

Option 2 => 1:00 – 4:30 / Steve Rizzo / *Success and the Journey Towards the Goal*

Register your district here: tinyurl.com/NESCS2023InserviceRegistration



ESPB NESC Beginning Teacher Grant

The NESC will offer a Beginning Teacher professional learning series as we've done in previous years (beginning in January 2024). This is supported through the ESPB TSS Grant.

CHAMPS Trainings

This classroom behavior management program is something that has been requested from districts. The NESC was hoping to offer this workshop sometime during the spring or summer of 2023 but dates were not available that would be conducive to schools' schedules. We will write this back into the 21st CCLC continuation grant to see if we can get it approved for next year. More information is here:

https://www.safeandcivilschools.com/services/classroom_management.php

ALICE Active Shooter Training

TrainND NE is offering ALICE Active Shooter training to NESC schools at a discounted price. Contact Erin Lacina for more information and to book dates for 2023-2024.

NESC Cafeteria Credit/UND VESi

Credit is available for NESC professional learning events through Valley City State University. UND also offers graduate credit opportunities through their VESi courses at a reduced rate to NESC educators. Information is located on pages 37-38 and on the NESC website: <https://www.nesc.k12.nd.us/graduate-credit/>.

Student Activities

21st CCLC Grant

The NESC 21st CCLC program has submitted the 2023-2024 continuation grant to DPI. All sites are offering summer programming this year.

Technology Learning Cooperative

We have developed a "Help Desk" ticket that will be utilized for TLC teachers/schools to contact our office for support, information is on page 39. The link is:

<https://tinyurl.com/tlchelpticket>. Equipment will remain at schools for the summer and this will be the equipment used for the first rotation of 2023-2024.

Scrubs Camp: The NESC will apply for the 2023-2024 Scrubs Camp for fifth graders. Dates reserved for the camp next year are April 4 & 5, 2024.

ITV: Only a few schools still utilize ITV; reminder to those schools to please not unplug anything ITV over the summer.



Other

Elections

Steve Halldorson's term as Governing Board President has expired. Kevin Baumgarn is resigning his position as Lead Administrator. We will need to elect all officers for the Governing and Lead Administrator Boards.

A motion to elect Daren Christianson as Governing Board President was made by Kent Dennis; Matt Bakke seconded.

A motion was made to elect Rhandi Knutson as Governing Board Vice President by Matt Bakke; Daren Christianson seconded.

A motion was made to elect Jay Slade as Lead Administrator Board President by Matt Bakke, Kent Dennis seconded.

A motion was made to elect Ben Allmaras as Lead Administrator Vice President by Robert Bubach; Matt Bakke seconded.

No other motions were made for elections and a unanimous ballot was cast; all motions carried.

Changes for the NESC boards after July 1 include leadership at Lakota, Leeds, North Star and DLPS School Board representative.

Review of [Bylaws](#) and [Joint Powers Agreement](#). The JPA needs a change to update the membership section to reflect the current membership fees.

NDREA

NDREA Executive Assistant

The new NESC School Support Specialist has been tasked to utilize part of the contracted time as the NDREA Executive Assistant. An outline of duties is included on page 49 as well as the proposed fees to be paid by each REA. Previously a SEEC staff member filled this role pro-bono from SEEC, but after a year without this position it was realized that it is a vital role to serve in the leadership of the NDREA group.

ND Education Hub: Educators can find PD and Trainings offered statewide for free on this site. <https://my.ndeducationalhub.org/login/index.php> A listing of summer topics are included on page 50.

2023-2024 NESC Calendar

Page 51 has the current calendar with dates noted for meetings and other important events..



Next NESC Board Meeting

The Lead Administrators Board Meeting will be held on October 11, 2023, at 12:30 p.m.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned 1:12 p.m.