

NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, October 26, 2022  
6:00 PM Central  
Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center

**MINUTES**

Nathan Berseth: Present  
Lucas Greff: Present  
Steve Halldorson: Present  
Karl Lembke: Present  
Jim R. Rostad: Present  
Patti Stedman: Present  
Holly Stromsodt: Present

Call to Order

President Karl Lembke called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion made by Patti Stedman to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Holly Stromsodt. Motion Passed.

Nathan Berseth: Yea, Lucas Greff: Yea, Steve Halldorson: Yea, Karl Lembke: Yea, Jim R. Rostad: Yea, Patti Stedman: Yea, Holly Stromsodt: Yea  
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Jim R. Rostad to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second by Nathan Berseth. Motion Passed.

Nathan Berseth: Yea, Lucas Greff: Yea, Steve Halldorson: Yea, Karl Lembke: Yea, Jim R. Rostad: Yea, Patti Stedman: Yea, Holly Stromsodt: Yea  
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

A. Meeting Minutes

- Minutes of the June 17, 2022, Board Meeting

B. . Schedule of Bills

- 2nd Quarter 2022
- 3rd Quarter 2022

## Administrative Reports

### A. NDSBA Representative Reports

#### a. State Board of Public School Education

Sonia Meehl, chair, gave an updated board report and the use of CTE funds.

#### b. North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund

President Lembke briefed the board on a letter sent by Sonya Larson, Kidder County School District, on behalf of NDIRF in regard to Tornado and Fire Safety Policy.

#### c. Education Standards and Practices Board

VP Stedman gave an update on the ESPB board's caseload.

#### d. K12 Coordination Council

Baxley reported on the upcoming year for K12 council and its subcommittees.

#### e. North Dakota High School Activities Association

Baxley gave an update on NDHSAA, specifically, the three-class system.

#### f. Other Committees or Task Forces

Greff gave a report on the Cyber Security Task Force and the efforts being made to improve the curriculum.

### B. President's Report

Lembke gave a brief report.

### C. Board Member Reports

Stedman reported on West Fargo's progress.

Rostad gave the board an update on Minot's building progress.

Halldorson reported on Devil's Lake building and re-structuring updates.

Bersth updated the board on Richland 44's growth.

Greff gave a report on Mott-Regent's new superintendent and other updates.

Stromsodt gave an update on Finley-Sharon school district and the online avenues they have explored to fill counselor shortages.

### D. Staff Reports

#### a. Business Manager Certification Program

VerDouw gave an update on the October 2022 training numbers and previewed upcoming trainings.

#### b. Legal Services Update

De Kok updated the board on Legal Services and how Legal Direct has advanced in the last year.

c. Executive Director's Update

Baxley updated the board on year-end finances for last fiscal year.

Annual Audit

Motion made by Patti Stedman to approve audit for 2021-22 fiscal year as presented.

Second by Steve Halldorson. Motion Passed.

Nathan Berseth: Yea, Lucas Greff: Yea, Steve Halldorson: Yea, Karl Lembke: Yea, Jim R.

Rostad: Yea, Patti Stedman: Yea, Holly Stromsodt: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

New Business

A. Convention Schedule Review

Lassiter gave an overview of the upcoming 2022 Annual Convention details.

B. Legislative Interim Update

Baxley briefed the board on the 2023 Legislative Session expectations thus far.

C. Hiring Update

Baxley and De Kok gave an update on the hiring status.

D. Upcoming NDSBA Events

- 2023 Negotiations Seminar, February 2-3
- 2023 Annual Convention, October 26-27

Recess

President Lembke recessed the meeting until Friday following convention adjournment.

**Friday, October 28, 2022**

Nathan Berseth:      Called In

Lucas Greff:          Present

Steve Halldorson:   Present

Karl Lembke:        Absent

Jim R. Rostad:       Present

Patti Stedman:      Present

Sonya Hansana:     Present

Call to Order at 3:58 p.m.

President Stedman resumed the meeting.

## Old Business

### A. NSBA

Discussion on NDSBA's position to re-enter NSBA in support of Western Region affiliates. Discussion tabled for February 1st meeting with prospect to invite Dr. Heim to join to present.

### B. 2022 NDSBA Annual Convention

Review discussion on the feedback and observances. Discussion about Annual Convention's future placement and clinic sessions also took place.

## New Business

### A. Upcoming Board Details

Baxley touched on when the next board meeting would be and the expected help needed during the 2023 Legislative Session.

President Stedman adjourned the meeting.