



**Lake Region Teacher Center - Policy Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 18, 2019, 1:00 p.m.
NESC Office (810 10th St SE, Devils Lake)**

Meeting Minutes

Welcome & Introductions were made by Darby Hart, President (Langdon Area School). Those also in attendance included: Vanessa Becvar, Vice President (Maddock Elementary); Jean Klein (Munich); Carol Girodat (St. Alphonsus Elementary-Langdon); Connie Hovendick (ND School for the Deaf); Traci Sand (Dakota Prairie). NESC Staff in attendance: Jennifer Carlson, Executive Director; Erin Lacina, Dir of Operations & PD; Cortney Shuley, Student Services Specialist

Minutes from December 12, 2018 Meeting were reviewed. Hovendick made a motion to approve the minutes and Vanessa seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Report: The Financial report from 2018-2019 was reviewed as well as the budget for 2019-2020 and finances to date. Girodat made a motion to approve the financial report and Sand seconded. Motion carried.

Teacher Center Operations:

LRTC Board Membership Review: Page 7 lists representatives from each member school. Carlson will contact schools without representatives.

LRTC Governance Review: Page 8 & 9 of the packet is a copy of the most recent governance document. Carlson and the board will review and bring back changes to the next meeting.

Teacher Visitation Grant: Page 10 & 11 includes the information for the Teacher Visitation Grant. There is \$2,000 available for grants this fiscal year.

LRTC Media Center Update (Kristi Serumgard): No report this meeting.

NESC Operations:

NESC Student Services Specialist: The NESC welcomed Cortney Shuley to our staff this summer. She will be serving as the NESC Student Services Specialist; a new position that is funded through the NESC and the NESC 21st CCLC grant. Cortney is an experienced educator with developed skills for STEAM, problem-based learning, mentoring and more. Ms. Shuley launches her in-class services next week. She will be moving through all NESC 21st CCLC sites on two-week rotations and through each NESC member school on one-week rotations throughout the 2019-20 school year. During her time in our schools, she will be able to provide support in STEAM, problem-based learning, and 21st century skill application through direct instruction of K-12 students.

21st CCLC Update: The NESC was awarded a continuing grant for the 21st CCLC program last spring. There

were a couple of new districts/schools added into the grant as well as the addition of the Student Services Specialist (above).

REA Legislation: Nothing new to report besides the NESC providing their recent audit report at the State Board of Public School Education meeting on September 16 at the ND State Capitol. This requirement came out of new legislation in 2019; the report will be provided to the board every two years.

NYCP Grant Update (2017-2021): Page 12 of the meeting packet has a report from year two (of four) for the Native Youth Community Project Grant, through the US Department of Education.

2019-20 NESC Graduate Credit: Information on the Cafeteria Plan for NESC Graduate Credit is included on page 13 of the meeting packet.

Professional Learning Activities

NESC Fall 2019 Regional In-service Recap: Pages 14-15 includes information on the NESC Fall 2019 in-service.

NESC Winter In-service, January 20, 2020: Plans are being made for the NESC Winter In-service which include two keynotes with a focus on student motivation and educator self-care. There will also be multiple break-out sessions linked to content, grade level and focus groups.

Steve Dunn Writing 2019-20: The NESC is hosting three series of secondary curriculum workshops for math, ELA and science teachers throughout the 2019-2020 school year.

Support for Leadership Teams: Reminder that NESC has professional learning staff that can work with school leadership teams, specifically with a focus on Cognia (AdvancEd) and other relevant topics specific to these leadership teams.

NDMTSS: Page 16 includes information on an upcoming NDMTSS three-day workshop being held in Devils Lake at LRSC with a focus on Developing Schoolwide Behavior Expectations. Dates are Nov 22, Jan 17 and March 10.

Standards-Referenced Reporting: This is a statewide initiative being led by NESC, SEEC, and CREA. More information is included on page 17 of the packet.

Requests for District/School Workshops: Contact Erin Lacina to schedule.

Available NESC Programs and Services: Pages 18-19 include a listing of many of the available programs/services that are available from the NESC.

NESC Professional Learning Grants:

Beginning Teacher Grant: Page 20-21 includes information on the grant which includes a three-day workshop series. Graduate credit is available.

ND Dept. of Health (DOH) Suicide Prevention Grant: The state has not released any information regarding available funding for this fiscal year.

NDREA Joint Application Grants

ND Principal/Teacher Evaluation Grant (PTESS): This has provided professional learning for principals and superintendents to support the teacher evaluation process. The NESC will be developing an administrative professional learning series on the topic of teacher evaluation this school year to continue the work from the PTESS Grant.

NDREA ND Standards Professional Learning Grant: This has provided funding to support multiple events and resource development for enhanced statewide implementation of the K-12 ELA and Math State Standards. Work is still being done, and the NESC has led this project.

NDREA Striving Readers Comprehensive Learning Grant: REAs were offered an opportunity to apply for a grant to help support the work from the various Striving Readers sites, especially for schools not awarded the grant. This will directly support some localized trainings that will be hosted by REAs.

Student Activities:

Young Writers' Conference, Tuesday, September 17, 2019 Recap: The NESC worked with the LRSC Foundation and a local Devils Lake book club to host Garth Stein, author of the book "The Art of Racing in the Rain." Mr. Stein led a packed LRSC auditorium discussing his writing process as well as the transition from book to motion picture. He also answered questions from audience members.

Building Tomorrow's Leaders – February 7, 2020: This is a project that was introduced last school year as a collaboration between the NESC, DPI and NDSU Extension. BTL provided tools to high school students to work as a school team to gain leadership skills and to implement a service-learning project resulting in community impact.

Scrubs Camp - March 26, 2020: The NESC will be applying for the UND Rural Health Scrubs Camp grant again this year to provide health career activities for fifth grade students in the region.

Distance Ed/ITV Classes (ongoing): There are just two local high school ITV classes offered this school year between DLHS and Minnewaukan. There are a few Dual Credit courses being offered from LRSC also.

You're Hired!: This hands-on, project-based event will be offered for schools to host with the help of NESC facilitation. The NESC has several "You're Hired!" kits to use for this event.

Virtual Job Shadow: The NESC has continued its license for VJS for students/schools in the region.

FIRST LEGO League Regional Tournament: It is not known yet if the NESC will be hosting a tournament this year. We're waiting to see if there are enough teams to host a tournament. Last year we had to cancel because of low team numbers. Teams were sent to regional events in Minot and Grant Forks.

CCR Speaker(s): The NESC will host college- and career-readiness speakers next spring 2020 through the NYCP Grant.

Other

Calendar 2019-20: Included on page 26.

Upcoming Meetings (Virtual/In-Person?): Discussion was held on meeting in-person or virtually, mainly because of the limiting budget and oftentimes bad weather during December. The recommendation was made to meet in December, if needed and then meet in May, but change the date to **Thursday, May 7** and offer a virtual option for those not able to travel.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Lake Region Teacher Center Policy Board Members 2019-2020

Name	School	Position
Traci Sand	Dakota Prairie	Elementary
Kim Krogfoss	Devils Lake	Elementary - Principal District – Curriculum Director
Frank Schill	Edmore	Superintendent
Kelsey Mongeon	Fessenden/Bowden	Secondary - Science
Janet Dion	Four Winds	Secondary – Social Studies
Kevin Baumgarn	Lakota	Superintendent
Darby Hart, President (2018-2020)	Langdon	Secondary – English
Open	Leeds	
Vanessa Becvar, Vice-President (2018-2020)	Maddock	Elementary – 6 th Grade
Jordan Lunde	Minnewaukan	Elementary – Special Education
Kristen Mitchell	Mount Pleasant (Rolla)	Elementary - Principal
Jean Klein	Munich	Elementary - Principal
Natalie Becker	New Rockford/Sheyenne	Elementary – Principal
Connie Hovendick	North Dakota School for the Deaf	Superintendent
Karmen Teubner	North Star	Secondary – English, Counselor
Open	Oberon	
Mindy Heinz	Rolette	Secondary – Science
Carol Girodat	St. Alphonsus Elementary Langdon	Middle School (7-8 science; 5-8 math)
Open	St. Joseph Elementary Devils Lake	
Larry Volk	Starkweather	Superintendent
Diane Sommer	Tate Topa Elementary/Middle School	Elementary - Principal
Angela Brandt	Warwick	Elementary - Principal
Bette Nelson	Lake Region Special Ed	Director
Kristi Serumgard, Secretary (2018-2020)	LRSE	Teacher Center Media Specialist

Erin Lacina	NESC	Director of Professional Learning & Operations
Jennifer Carlson	NESC & Teacher Center	Director