

LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 18, 2013

Present: Mary Ann Losh, Russ Inbody, Brian Halstead, Melody Hobson, Diane Stuehmer, Marilyn Peterson, Sharon Katt, Margaret Worth, Brent Gaswick, Mark Schultz, Donlynn Rice, Joel Scherling, Dean Folkers, Scott Swisher

2. Board Follow Up – Scott Swisher

Topics for follow up from the November Board meeting

- NASB topics
- Dual Credit – future board discussion
- Truancy presentation (John S.)

Russ Inbody noted that he will be meeting with exempt schools representatives and reviewing draft changes to the regulations.

3. Superintendent/Principal Email Lists Discussion – Dean Folkers

The upkeep of the superintendents and principals email lists was discussed. A focus group is meeting this afternoon to explore alternatives to the current method.

1. Messages from NDE BRIDGE – Heather Richey, Kristina Peters

NDE BRIDGE will be hosting a family night in December. The speaker for the next NDE BRIDGE general meeting is Kelly Britten, who will be addressing Networking techniques. Leadership Council members are encouraged to share the information with staff.

4. AM 201-205 (LC Travel) – Marilyn Peterson

Marilyn Peterson and a group have been reviewing Administrative Memorandum 201 and 205 on Travel and Leave procedures. A review of travel procedures was provided to the Leadership Council members. The next topic to be reviewed by this group is Leave procedures including overtime.

5. Commissioner Search Update – Joel Scherling

Joel advised that the public interviews of the candidates for Commissioner of Education will be held December 11-12 at the Cornhusker Hotel. The Board will deliberate on December 12 and 13 if necessary before announcing the selection of the next Commissioner.

6. Getting the Good News Out about Nebraska Schools – Betty VanDeventer

No report.

7. Other

- Dean Folkers reminded members of the week-long process in review the customer review management system which sets a framework for the process of collecting data
- Brent Gaswick noted that if LC members are interested, there are Apple environment options for desktop computers. He is also investigating the use and control of Google docs for use by Department employees.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.