



**North Dakota ASCD Meeting
Kelly Inn, Bismarck, ND
September 23, 2002**

Present: Justin Wageman, President; Karen Nelson, Past President; Deb Follman, Vice President; Gail Wold, Secretary; Gerald Vetter; Deb Jenson; Larry Klundt, NDCEL Executive Director; Brenda Topley, Janet Welk, Educational Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) Executive Director; and Janet Edlund

I. Partnership Exploration with North Dakota Council of Educational Leaders (NDCEL):

Larry Klundt, NDCEL Executive Director, provided information about NDCEL.

- The North Dakota Council of Educational Leaders is the state professional association devoted exclusively to protecting educational leaders' interests and making their interests known in all educational matters in North Dakota. It is composed of nine associations that include superintendents, secondary principals, elementary principals, county superintendents, special education directors, vocational education directors, school business officials, athletic directors and technical directors. Every affiliate organization has its own board of directors and one representative to the NDCEL board.
- The purpose of the NDCEL is to establish communications among the members of the constituent associations achieve mutual goals, achieve higher standards, give sound counsel to state and community leaders, and to improve the status of school administrators in North Dakota.
- LEAD is also part of NDCEL; after losing the initial federal grant three years ago, LEAD has had to keep going on their own through other grants.
- The NDCEL provides a wide variety of services to its members. These benefits include professional and personal legal assistance, professional development opportunities, legislative representation, publications, and liaison with other state education agencies, consultant-research-information services, and opportunities to network with other school administrators.
- NDCEL could provide a "home" or headquarters for NDASCD, provide assistance with administrative services, conferences, etc.
- Cost: Educators could join the NDASCD state organization and not NDCEL.

Discussion followed Mr. Klundt having left the meeting. The main concern regarding whether or not NDASCD should partner with NDCEL focused on the perception by teachers that NDCEL is an "administrative" organization. NDSBA, NDCEL, and NDEA are frequently perceived as semi-political organizations. Brenda Topley shared her opinion that *research* is a "dirty word" in schools.

II. Planning and Promotion

- **October Events:** NDASCD will sponsor a booth at NDEA and NDCEL fall conferences that will be held in Bismarck October 24-25, 2002. Justin Wageman will email the group a sign-up sheet to help staff the booths and fill in with NDSU graduate assistants. Janet Edlund volunteered to make two boxes and raffle sign-up sheets for the booths. A complimentary NDASCD membership will be awarded to one teacher (NDEA) and one administrator (NDCEL). NDASCD can make money for the affiliate by selling ASCD books at the booth. We can send back what we do not sell.
- **Membership:** An individual NDASCD membership is \$25.00 per year for professional educators and \$10. for students. Membership registration is available on-line (www.ndsu.edu/ndascd). Dues provide for North Dakota ASCD professional conferences, publishing newsletters, and maintaining an Internet website for North Dakota educators. Justin Wageman will explore the possibility of offering an institutional membership to school districts. A complimentary membership to NDASCD has also been extended to Senators Koch and Boschee.
- **Flyer** - Justin Wageman is working on a colored staff room flyers advertising NDASCD. The flyer is designed to resemble a report card for teachers and will be mailed to all schools within the state.

III. Program - A date for the spring NDASCD meeting was not set at the meeting. March is a very busy month in schools with parent teacher conferences, tournaments, etc. Justin Wageman will explore the possibility of moving the spring meeting to the week of April 7 and email the group.

IV. Special Appointments to NDASCD Regional Representation

- Gerald Vetter - representing parochial schools
- Deb Follman
- Janet Edlund
- Brenda Topley
- Karen Nelson will contact a Hebron teacher (she could not recall the name) to represent the southwest area of the state

V. Budget Report: Justin Wageman presented the financial report prepared by Bob Toso. Treasurer, who was unable to attend the meeting. There was a balance of \$925.04 as of September 19, 2002.

VI. Constitution Approval: Moved by Karen Nelson, seconded by Gail Wold that the Constitution and Bylaws for the North Dakota Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 AM (CDT) on Monday, September 23, 2002.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail M. Wold, Secretary
NDASCD