

NDASSP Region V Fall Meeting

11-19-2003

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The fall meeting of the Region 5 NDASSP was called to order with nine principals in attendance.

Lou Aronson presented to the group highly qualified teacher status and portfolio requirements for becoming highly qualified. Handouts were given of the draft that will be sent to administrative rules this winter. Highlighted questions were as follows:

- Most elementary teachers do not need to worry. New teachers have to take a test and out of state take a test also for degree. Departmentalized need 16 credits in the area they are teaching in grade school. 2 or fewer subjects taught - you are then departmentalized.
- Middle School - new to North Dakota - July 1, 2006 become highly qualified. Have to teach at least 3 years to do only the portfolio.
- Most schools set aside 5% of title and transcript review and portfolio.
- Secondary - Major equivalency is 32 credits in one science area - need 12 credits in all other science areas. Composite major needs 42 credits. Social studies composite is 42 credits 12 credits in other areas, have 18 credits in history.
- Minor - get up to major equivalency then get 12 hours.
- Take test to become highly qualified - Be aware of other states forms to be accepted. Cut off scores can be different in each state. 70-90 dollars to take the test. The web site of www.ets.org gives sample questions for national certification test.
- North Dakota is the only state that allows portfolios. Other states might not accept portfolio.
- Sociology & Psychology 6 credits need with social studies composite.
- Spanish - 32 credits or portfolio or test.
- ESPB has a link for the rubric: <http://college.livetext.com/college/index.html> password - 72E8939A. This is a pass in to see the on-line portfolio teachers will use to complete. Principals can circulate this amongst their staff if they wish.
- Special Ed. – A teacher that issues a grade will need a major in that area to teach in that replacement class. Example would be a replacement math.

Discussed regional principal of the year. It was the consensus of the group that this group would nominate candidates and forward to Mr. Herman for the balloting process. It was moved by Simmons and seconded by Turner to nominate Dennis Hehr. It was moved by Hehr and

seconded by Turner to nominate Mitch Carlson. It was moved and seconded to close nominations.

Reviewed and gave out the web site of www.ndcel.org/ndassp.com to the members for their input and stated that the minutes and agenda have been posted on the site.

Reminded the group of nominations of Academic All State Team.

Discussed program ideas for the spring. It was the consensus to ask Doug Johnson of the NDCEL to attend. It was also the consensus to have Mr. Herman determine the date and site.

Dates for Acalympic competition are March 15th in Wing and March 22nd in Wishek.

Next meeting for the region principals will be at the Mid-Winter in Minot from February 1-3.

Discussed summer rules for eligibility. From the members present, two schools have summer rules (LaMoure & Ashley) and the remaining eight schools do not. Discussed the pros and cons of such rules. It was unanimous (10-0) that the school were in favor of leaving it to local control for each school to decide if they wish to have summer rules or not. It was also an overwhelming consensus that each school wishes not to have summer rules. Some concerns were enforcement, who does the investigating, and the school replacing parent responsibilities.

The meeting was adjourned approximately at 3:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitch Carlson – acting chair