

NAPAC Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Nicole Lonetree-Brovold, Austin Corbine, Mark Lonetree, Siannah Mulbah, Katie Coulson, Monica Sandoval, Keeley Corbine (Student Rep), Ilona Delaney (Student Rep), Kota Doan (Student Rep)

Members Absent: Niibin Rowan (Student Rep), Joseph Mousseau (CFA)

District 196 Staff: Lisa Turgeon, Fonda Smith, Jorja Valandra, Francisca El Zeenny, Virgil Jones, Trent Thompson (guest of M.Bosloni-SES), Violeta Hernandez Espinosa

Agenda Items	Notes
<i>Minutes Approval</i>	Motioned by First Mark Lonetree, Second by Austin Corbine Accepted by NAPAC September Minutes Approved
Guest Speaker	Equity Department Updates – Virgil Jones, Director of Equity & Inclusion & Violeta Hernandez Espinosa, Coordinator of Equity & Inclusion • The district is continuing its focus on the defined five (5) goals. • Highlights - o The department has been in place for 18 months. Staffing increased to meet the district’s goals, adding a leadership position (V.Jones) and increased student touchpoints by the Cultural Family Advocates (CFA). Expansions in staffing were identified based on student demographic needs. A job specific to the professional development of CFAs was also added. - o Curriculum proponents within the school systems across all marginalized group has been identified as a priority. The initiative is intended to emulate NAPAC guidance on American Indian culture. - o Professional development has partnered with an external provider (Amaze Works) focused on beliefs and behaviors, creating environments that create a sense of community. Schools start implementation in November. - o Developing the resources to address the district’s needs through multiple aspects (CFAs, building administration, etc.) - o The licensed BIPOC teaching staff in 196 is 5.33% (129). Data is gathered through a

	self-identification form. o Desired Daily Experience sent out to parents SY21.22. Responses showed a very polarized opinion on the importance of Equity & Inclusion in the school system to parents.
District Updates - Michael Bolsoni	Enrollment Update: ● Official district student enrollment count is 29,047 students. A decrease of 39 students year over year. Much of the loss comes at the kindergarten level. School Board Update: ● 10/10 - Mary Kreger recognized Indigenous Peoples Day ● Phone surveys were conducted discussing per TNEC ● Data request submitted today (10/13) ● The TNEC meeting is scheduled for 10/27 via Zoom. A calendar invite and Zoom link has been shared with NAPAC members and district staff ● A first review of the data will be shared during the next NAPAC Meeting
Indian Education Program Updates	Program Updates ● Commissioner of MDE hosting an American Indian Education Field Hearing. Topic is the state of American Indian Education in Minnesota. Thursday, October 20th. Lisa Turgeon is attending on behalf of the district/NAPAC. ● South of the River Art Contest Reminder – Submissions are being accepted for the SOTR Powwow logo. ● **Joseph Mousseau attended the Dream Catchers Program retreat on behalf of Indian Ed. The training outlined the approach to implementing the Dream Catcher program. A full update from Joseph will be shared in November. Working with families and Indian to develop a approach to IEP development pre-IEP implementation. ● High School Fall check-ins began on September 23rd and conclude on September 28th. Students were introduced Indian Education Staff and services. ● September 27th, 2022: Cherish our Children (ECFE)

- o Five families participate (two new families have signed up since then)
- o Six pre-k students
- o Six parent/guardians

- September 29th, 2022 – High School Field Trip to Hocokata Ti (23 participants), an experiential learning experience.
- October 4th-8th, 2022 – NIEA Conferences. All American Indian Education CFAs attended the National Indian Education Association Conference in Oklahoma City, OK. Updates were shared by CFAs.
- October 10th, 2022 – Indigenous Peoples Day Parade – Dakota Hills Middle School students walked in the parade (12 student attendees). A plan for more students to attend next year's event.
- October 10th, 2022 – Indigenous People's Day Celebration at SES (hosted by AIE)
 - o 125 Participants attended increase by 10 participants over last year's event.
 - o Gordon Coons, Ojibwe Artist lead small group art session, Native Food Perspectives, Updates from 196 curriculum leaders/ECFE, AIEP Academic Supports, Cultural Enrichment Activities, and Summer Cahoots Recognitions.
- October 10th, 2022 – SOTR Drum and Dance Classes begin (15 District 196 families are signed up)

Upcoming Events:

- Elementary Native authored children's book club
 - o Student lists have been distributed to AIE CFA team
 - o The goal is to begin visits by the end of October 2022.
- Ojibwe Language Club
 - o Student lists have been distributed to AIE CFA team
 - o Goal is to begin the book club by mid-November

Learning Trunks

- Dakota – Oak Ridge 1st Grade Community Unit
- Ojibwe – Oak Ridge 1st Grade Community Unit

Indian Education Monthly Smore/Newsletter Plan

- CFAs will cover the months while LT is out. Themes for each month have been identified.

	Looking Ahead October/November ● TNEC Meeting – Tribal Nations Education Committee Consultation ● Drum and Dance begins 10/26 ● Cultural family teaching class – November 12th at District Service Center Family Engagement Events – SY 22.23 – Family Math Night at Oak Ridge on Thursday, October 27th. More information will be shared a later date. Teaching & Learning Department Updates ● Work will continue on 6 & 7th grade curriculum writing team and 10th grade US History Curriculum writing team (American Government). NAPAC Chair, N.Lontree-Brovold and Lisa Turgeon both sit on the committee. Title VI Updates ● Title VI APR due October 28th ● Parent Family Survey ○ Survey will go out at the end of October ○ NAPAC will review the survey for input prior to the survey is distributed. The informational letter will be reviewed as well. Once approved the letter will be emailed and posted online ○ Those who complete the survey will be eligible for a raffle MDE Update ● Draft will be emailed to NAPAC prior to submission. A draft will be shared with NAPAC for feedback. The final copy will be shared during the November 17th, NAPAC meeting. ● The final copy will be mailed to TNEC on November 30th.
Student Representative Updates	No Updates
	Meeting Adjourned – 8:08 PM– Motion by Katie Coulson, Second by Austin Corbine

Next meeting date:

Thursday, November 17th, 6:30-8:00 PM at the DSC