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Native American Parent Advisory Council: Summary of October 1, 2026

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Old Business**
- III. New Business**

A. District Updates

- 1. School Board
 - a) School Perceptions Survey Finalization
 - b) Approval of Survey Organization (School Perceptions)
 - c) Block Schedule Presentation
 - d) Policy 505: Distribution, Posting & Display of Materials on School District Property
 - e) Ice Arena
 - f) Constitutional Amendment Discussion
- 2. Dr. Wehrkamp-Herman: Superintendent
 - a) Language and Culture Positions
 - (1) No new applicants
 - (2) Review plan and look at possibilities
 - (a) Adjusting our positions to Dakota and Ojibwe
 - (b) Utilizing the Ojibwe Rosetta Stone for interested secondary students
 - b) New Director of Facilities and Safety Hired
 - c) Supervisor of Human Resources position is open
 - d) Smooth start to the school year
 - e) MCA results are in
 - (1) New, more challenging test
 - (2) Remained relatively flat
 - (3) Deep-dive has not started as of 10/1/2026
 - f) Fastbridge assessments finish tomorrow for all grades (K-8)
 - (1) November update will include disaggregated data by age and race.
 - g) NAPAC budget update in November after most expenses and encumbrances begin to come in
 - h) Working on a new mailing list that we can use as a district to distribute NAPAC updates to families
 - i) Indigenous People's Day
 - (1) Instructional resources and expectations sent to teachers
 - (2) Principals will be following up with staff next week regarding the educational resources that they will be using in their classrooms

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- (3) Discussions with Nutrition Services on including more indigenous cuisine in the cafeteria. This will be ongoing to plan for and might include
 - (a) Items on the line
 - (b) Special tasting events at sites
 - (c) Coordination with outside vendors for the tasting events
 - 3. Cyan Peacock-Hale
 - a) Has been networking to promote the Language and Culture Positions
 - b) Teacher t-shirt sizes - each principal gather sizes
 - c) Middle School and Elementary Flags
 - (1) Potluck gathering to celebrate
 - (2) Middle or High School
 - d) Student Group Connection
 - (1) Committee and students meet during group
 - e) Room decor
 - f) Order quilts for this year's graduates

B. NAPAC Updates

- 1. Mocassin Making
 - a) October 3-4
 - b) 9 AM - 3 PM
 - c) Curriculum Center
- 2. TNEC
 - a) Professional Development
 - (1) 10/27 and 10/28
 - (2) 9 AM - 3 PM
 - (3) Treasure Island
 - b) Presentations on:
 - (1) Program leadership and evaluation
 - (2) Native Language Revitalization Grant
 - (3) Indigenous Education for All (IEFA)
 - (4) AIPACS and DIstrict Personnel
 - (5) TNEC Q and A

IV. Future Events

A. Mocassin Making

- 1. Curriculum Center
- 2. October 3-4
- 3. 9 AM - 3 PM

B. Indigenous People's Day (October 12)

C. November Meeting

- 1. Curriculum Center
- 2. November 5, 2026
- 3. 6:00 PM

D. December Meeting

1. Curriculum Center
2. December 3, 2026
3. 6:00 PM

E. Ribbon Shirt and Skirt Making

1. Curriculum Center
2. February 20-21
3. 9 Am to 3 PM

F. Minnesota Indian Education Association (MIEA) Conference

1. March 24-26, 2027
2. Mystic Lake Center, Prior Lake, MN

G. Graduation Ceremony

1. Tuesday, May 4, 2027
2. Hastings High School Commons