

BNAS Board Report March 2023

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Last month the BNAS sent 9 staff members to the IEFA best practices conference in Helena, MT on March 16-18. We also funded 3 non BNAS staff members from the BMS. The staff members will be writing up a synopsis of what they learned to share with their respected buildings.

BNAS is also contracting two craftsmen to make us more drums and drums sticks for cultural activities and music. This will be distributed to our immersion classes and is sure to make the young aspiring singers happy. As a department we have great happiness for the fact that we get to share *sacred* music with the community and surrounding communities.

The BNAS department has shared the ASLA curriculum with the East Glacier Public Schools recently. Knowing that their graduating students eventually attend our high school we feel it benefits our program to share our materials with the surrounding schools when they request it. I have also had a meeting with the De La Salle Blackfeet School to begin a partnership with them but it is still in the planning phase.

We are currently editing more and more materials which we will share at a later date.