

MEETING MINUTES
SPRING NAFIS CONFERENCE 2013
Sunday, March 3, 2013 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

- I. President Elaine Jansen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and everyone was asked to introduce themselves by name, school district, and impaction.
- II. Winter Conference minutes from January 12, 2013 were posted on SharePoint. Motion by Tom Davenport, seconded by Karen Huddleston to approve the minutes. Motion passed.
- III. Treasurer's Report – Tom Gregory, Treasurer, presented the Section 8002 Treasurer's Report for the period July 1, 2012 through March 1, 2013, which is posted to SharePoint.
- IV. Budget Presentation - Tom Gregory, Treasurer, presented an update to the FY13 budget and the proposed FY14 budget which will be voted on at the summer 2013 meeting.
- V. Executive Director's Report - Tom Madden reviewed the new language in the technical amendment and stated that Robin Robinson of the Department of Education will address it in greater detail at tomorrow's meeting. He reported that the DoE has released the 90% foundation payment for FY2010 for all districts except those who receive additional monies for federal lands other than Impact Aid. Tom informed the group about a possible solution that he will present to Alfred Lott. The FY10 through FY13 applications will need to be amended to reflect the new technical amendment language requirements and districts will have 60 days to respond. It is imperative that districts respond in a timely manner otherwise they will be deemed ineligible. Once the amendments are completed, the FY14 application will be released. Tom encouraged 8002 members to continue pushing for reauthorization when they go to the Hill on Tuesday. Tom also reported that Tom Schneider and Sandy Doebert are both currently serving on the NAFIS board and representing us well.
- VI. Sequestration Update – John Forkenbrock updated the membership on the effects of sequestration on Impact Aid funding. As of 3/1/13, 70 million was cut from the Impact Aid program of which 3 million came from 8002 funding. On March 27th a continuing resolution will need to be passed to fund all programs through the end of FY13. John anticipates that President Obama will present his FY14 budget in late March. With sequestration being a ten year process, John predicts that the Federal Properties Program (8002) will be gone if something isn't done. Secretary Duncan seems to be sympathetic to our cause and will be speaking on Monday.
- VII. Targeted Lobbying Discussion - Tom Schneider distributed several handouts regarding sequestration, the polarization of congress, the political agenda for 2014, and government spending. He encouraged everyone to be prepared as they go to the Hill on Tuesday. He reiterated that the Continuing Resolution is more critical than sequestration right now. Tom also announced that he will need volunteers to serve on a committee to develop a new marketing strategy for our 8002 group. He also suggested that we establish a newsletter and asked for volunteers to coordinate that.
- VIII. Adjournment – President Jansen adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.