

MEETING MINUTES
WINTER 8002 CONFERENCE 2014
Tuesday, December 9, 2014
Las Vegas, Nevada

- I. Call to Order and Introductions – President Tom Schneider called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. and thanked everyone for coming to Las Vegas, followed by introductions by the participants.
- II. Executive Director’s Report – Tom Madden provided logistical information for the conference, reviewed the progress of the Operational Plan, and set the structure and objectives for the day’s work session.
- III. Implications of the Recent Election – Tom Schneider emphasized that the success of our meetings is determined by what we do when we get back home and encouraged members to work one hour per week back home. He provided a review of the recent election results, including that Republicans did better than they expected, and provided several articles for review. He distributed the Section 8002 one page flyer and had participants meet with partners to review and offer suggestions. Discussion followed regarding the appropriate percentage of lost revenue to include due to changes in the formula payments, if the percentage of reimbursement for lost taxes should be higher to keep Section 8002 relevant, and whether the reduction of the value owed by the federal government inflates the percentage. Other ideas included more discussion about kids and less about property, adding bullet points, providing additional materials for new staffers and legislators, having two handouts (one for home and one for Congress), and providing a link to a video. An updated version will be available on the Sharepoint site for the Spring Conference.
- IV. Work Session on Long Range Plan for the Organization –
 - A. Tom Madden shared suggestions for the new name of our group and asked for ideas from the participants. Discussion ensued regarding the suggestions and possible acronyms, a brand and a tagline. After much discussion, the name and tagline were agreed upon by the group: Federal Lands Impacted Schools Association (FLISA), education for kids, fairness for taxpayers. The reasons for this include:
 - Alignment with MISA and NIISA
 - Have federal or national in the title
 - Have land or property in the title
 - Have students in the tagline
 - Address relief for taxpayers in the tagline

A motion was made by Mark Naugle to approve the name and tagline, was seconded by Sandy Doeber, and approved by unanimous vote.

- B. Tom Madden reviewed the long range plan which consists of five goals, Goal 1 – Clarify and Promote Who We Are, Goal 2 –Get Congress to Understand the True Impact of The Loss of Taxable Properties, Goal 3 –Instill a Sense of Urgency Among 8002 Participants and Members of Congress, Goal 4 – Utilize Technology and Social Media to be More Effective as an Organization (Both Internal and External), and Goal 5 – Determine what 8002 Members Need From This Organization and How We Make Meetings and Messages More Valuable and Meaningful. Three

committees will be formed to work on the first four goals. Goal 5 needs to be worked on by the Board and the whole group to determine what we can do prior to our next meeting.

- V. Approval of Minutes from Fall Conference -- The fall conference minutes were posted on SharePoint. Motion by Cathie Pezanowski and seconded by Sandy Doebert. Motion carried.
- VI. Treasurer's Report – Tom Schneider distributed the Treasurer's Report for July 1, 2014, to December 2, 2014.
 - a. Approval of the 2014-2015 Treasure's Report – Motion by Mark Naugle, seconded by Sandy Doebert. Motion carried.
- VII. NAFIS Board Update – Sandy Doebert reported out on the progress for hiring a new NAFIS Executive Director. The Executive Directors of each subgroup, the NAFIS staff and the NAFIS Board will interview six candidates later in December 2014. The final selection will be made by the NAFIS Board in January 2015 and announced at the Spring Conference for an official starting date in the summer of 2015.
- VIII. Old Business – no info presented
- IX. New Business
 - A. NAFIS Spring Conference and Possible FRO – There will be a Federal Relations Outreach meeting early in 2015 but specifics are not available at this time. Info will be distributed by NAFIS when it is available.
 - B. Items from the Membership – no info presented
- X. Information Items
 - A. Summer 2015 8002 Meeting, Boston – Tom Madden provided information for the summer meeting to be held in Boston, MA on June 27, 2015. Final information will be presented at the Spring Conference.
 - B. Winter Meeting 2015-16 – No decisions have been made at this time.
- XI. President Tom Schneider adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m.