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Members of NAESP:

Mr. Dave Wick's significant contributions to education coupled with his vision for the leadership role of principals, ensure that he will serve as an outstanding leader when selected Vice President of our professional association, NAESP!

Characteristics that describe Mr. Wick include:

- Exceptional educator with deep understanding of school curriculum, educational opportunity, operations, policy development, state and federal role, and child development.
- Outstanding communicator with the ability to 'tell the story' in vivid, compelling ways that influence action.
- Team builder, collaborator, possessing a sincere interest in creating an atmosphere of 'gracious space' to invite all views to the table and 'learn in public'.

Mr. Wick is accomplished in his work at the school and district level indicating he is a quality administrator who builds relationships that lead to accomplishment of the most important district and state level initiatives -- a great foundation for leading at the national level! Dave's service to the Montana Association of Elementary and Middle School Principals (MAEMSP) for the past 23 years is significant and his leadership outstanding. His service on the MAEMSP Board of Directors shows outstanding ability to research and communicate actions making a difference for the education of Montana students. Mr. Wick served NAESP as the Middle Level Director At Large, representing principals' voice at the national table. His effective characteristics -- communicator, team builder, and collaborator -- have served NAESP well and all who have worked with him would confirm this strong endorsement.

Dave's vision described in his NAESP goal statements will be accomplished. I am proud of Dave's representation of what is right for students in our schools at the state and national level and know that as Vice President of NAESP he will broaden his positive impact on education in our country!

Sincerely,

Kirk J. Miller, Ed.D.
Executive Director
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