NEISTE Report - March 13, 2017

NEISTE provides a forum for coordination and support of statewide initiatives involving technology organizations across the region.

Last meeting held on Nov. 21-22, 2016 in Rhode Island:

Long discussion on benefits of affiliates belonging to NEISTE along with organizational structure of NEISTE

One basic premise was that NEISTE "Will do no harm" to it's State affiliate members.

Concern that NEISTE "Corporate Members" may be impacting vendors relationships (membership, Conference exhibiting, etc) for State affiliates.

Also discussion concerning the "At Large" members that are not associated with an affiliate Several By Laws changes were discussed and have since been enacted by board vote.

UPDATE:

Since the November NEISTE meeting the Rhode Island (RISTE) and Massachus (MassCUE) have formally withdrawn the affiliation with NEISTE.

An online meeting in Dec. asked for commitment from other affiliates and four elected to continue for 2017 (ME, NH, CT 7 VT).

ACTEM decided it will commit through 2017 with it's NEISTE affiliation and then determine if it is to our benefit to continue in the future.

Upcoming Meeting on April 7-8, 2017 at Gillette Stadium, Forboro, MA:

Next meeting will be the annual Vendor Summit on April 7, 2017 at Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, MA. The Vendor Summit offers eight vendors a 30 minute dedicated time to present to the NEISTE board and invited guests. These vendors present about their products or services to representatives from the New England states. The vendor summit also includes a brief tour of Gillette Stadium and colorful stories presented about behind the scene happenings at the stadium and Patriot Football.

NEISTE Officers 2016-17:

President: Gaby Harrington Vice-President: Dave Hansen Treasurer: Gary Lanoie Secretary: Lorelle Allessio

2017 Free Webinar Series

NEISTE has a webinar series free for anyone to attend and registrations will open soon for the 2017 lineup. Webinar schedule will be posted on ACTEM's website and the list serve

Eduporium Webinar

Maker Mindset and Tools – Bringing Them to the Classroom Thursday, March 16th at 7:00 PM Zoom Room - https://zoom.us/i/459234449

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NEISTE currently is sharing the ACTEM's office as it's official address and our PO Box - for mailings. ACTEM has negotiated a \$50 per month or \$600 per year fee to ACTEM for these services.