

Dist. Ed Advisory Committee (DEAC) Meeting

Tuesday, December 15, 2015

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM CT

via Zoom 402 597 4843

<https://esucc.zoom.us/j/4025974843>

Call to Order:

Present: Scott Jones, John Stritt, Beth Kabes, BJ Peters, Jason Everett, Lois Hafer, Gary Needham, Tom Rolfes, SuAnn Witt, Gregg Robke, Molly Aschoff, Dawn Ferreyra, Linda Dickeson (3:00 PM)

Minutes from: [October, 27, 2015](#) Jason Everett made a motion moved to approve, Scott Jones second. Approved

NNAG (*Scott Jones*):

1. Statewide release for Wide Area Network [RFP 5153](#) bids will be opened on Friday, 12/18/2015
 - a. Circuits-227 K-12, 30 Higher Ed, 98 UNL, & 3 NE Game & Parks
 - i. Question - What is the advice to follow up with the bids? (BK)
 1. Scott said that the option to add on a year is an option if bid is more or small amount less.
2. Categorization of Participants--vote delayed
 - a. [Current Draft](#)
 - i. Still reviewing options with sub-committee working on draft.
3. Vote was held to purchase two 120 GB packet shapers at a cost of \$325,000 and a yearly maintenance fee of \$66,000
 - a. Purchase one with existing funds and then pay out the second system through participation fee.
 - i. Impact - Should result in no changes to next year's due.
4. A discussion about desktop conferencing with NNAG reviewing the possibility of offering this service.
 - a. How many accounts might your ESU and your ESU schools be interested in having if price is not an option?
5. Next Meeting-Wednesday, January 20th, 1-3 PM CT
6. Scott made a special presentation of Admiralship in the Nebraska Navy to John Stritt in recognition of his retirement. An NITC Certificate of Appreciation was also presented.
7. [NNAG Agenda-November 18, 2015](#)



NDE (SuAnn Witt): No Report

OCIO/NITC Report (Tom Rolfes):

1. NITC Education Council meeting on Wed, 12/16/2015. All recommended Action Items for Digital Education and Network Nebraska were approved by the NITC at their November meeting.
2. Tech Panel meeting that Dept of Ed meet before them to share about the dashboard and testing enterprise projects. Want to make sure that the providers are staying on task and on timeline.
 - a. July 1 is hoped to be the date for providers to bring up new Layer 2 Transport services. For the most part, the 226 K12 circuits will be up on time by July 1 and, if not, the provider is charged a penalty of \$500 per day per circuit following the first Friday in August.
 - b. Second RFP will be coming out for the statewide backbone in January/February.

Presentations/Booth

- State Education Conference in November, there was a booth from ESSDACK in Kansas. I would like to see us as DEAC have a booth next year.
- Can DEAC also submit a proposal for presentation at this conference as well?
 - Group suggested to have a booth at State Education Conference
- **NETA? - ESUCC usually has a booth**
 - **recruit teachers**
 - **show teachers what is available.**

EdReady/NROC (Beth Kabes):

- EdReady continues to spread in usage
 - Would like to have first line of questions go to ESU staff.
 - Suggestion that would link to a google form that would connect a request to the ESU rep.
 - Would like to use Rhonda Eis as the person to submit Help Tickets
- Sharing HippoCampus with bit.ly/ESUCCHippoCampus
- nroc English - working to add ESU staff as an LMS Administrator to install the course (free accounts will not work)

- Suggested that a list of resources be on ESU web sites, ESUCC, and state dashboards
- LTI Key Contacts
- ESU 16 - Melissa Engel
- ESU 9 - Lois Hafer & Gary Needham
- ESU 19- Dawn Ferreyra
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ESUCC report (*David Ludwig/Scott Isaacson*):

- **include the services links on the esucc website (esucc quicklinks)**
- Need to continue to have conversations with senators about distance learning

Coop Purchasing and Contract Negotiation (*Craig Peterson, unable to attend due to Annual Buy bid awards in Ainsworth*):

The following bids were awarded for Digital resources at the AEPA meeting December 1st in New Orleans.

- Mackin
- Teachingbooks.net
- The Library Corporation (TLC)

Contracts will be signed at the January ESUCC Meeting. Send any questions to Craig Peterson

NVIS:

- Link to contract for Nate to make enhancements on the system. <https://goo.gl/rkoBwH> (most enhancements are for VFT use)
 - Nate M. will be starting on updating around November 1.
 - Build a list of enhancements for next year.
 - 2016 NVIS Considerations - <https://goo.gl/jNpnpP>
 - Wisconsin site based off of NVIS - <https://courseconnwi.com/>
- Marketing DL courses
 - materials that can be shared or what strategies can be used
 - Who is the target? **Guidance** Share the ideas with all
- **Can a specific email blast be created (counselors) through the system?**
- **Send open courses for 2nd semester**
- **Need to reach out and reconnect with schools due to new staff and administrators**
- **Have a presence/booth at College Scholastic competitions**
- **Scott Jones at North Platte and McCook**
 - **March 16th @ MPCC in North Platte**
 - **March 30th @ MPCC in McCook**
- **Wayne State**
 - Colleges and universities promoting what they are offering
 - provide additional support for those teachers as well
 - Who are the targets for talking to about DL classes? Supt, Principals, G Counselors?

- **Can Linda D create a promotional item/material to be shared?**
 - What can you do to “refresh” distance education?
 - How does desktop applications
 - Build more online (Friday online?)
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 - **Hard data! Collect completion and success statistics of students in video-based, online-based, and blended distance courses.**

Online Courses

- Making partnerships with UNL Online High School at this time
- Work with teachers to develop online components
 - increased buy-in and continuity
- Schools requiring at least one online course (experience in remote and college level)
- Example: Iowa AEA Professional Development Online Courses:
<https://training.aeapdonline.org/courseList.php>

Virtual Field Trips:

- Twitter handle @ne_vft or #vft
- How can we build capacity in NE
 - Build within district/ESU similar to Wahoo Live and ESU2
 - Hour of Code
 - Digital Citizenship
 - Maker Spaces
 - Nepris - connecting industry with classrooms
 - Present at DEAC in February
 - Series on careers
- Google Community
 - <https://plus.google.com/u/0/communities/101388928818527529427>
- Currently 743 subscribed members in the NVIS Field Trip Subscriptions option
 - Upload name and email address list to add individuals to subscribe list
 - Verification email will be sent and teacher will have to click the link and complete the profile in NVIS in order to be subscribed
- Email notifications - Who is responsible for sending out these notifications?
- Reflection page results - <https://goo.gl/zoquMY> (You should have viewing rights.)

LMS:

- [What systems are currently in use at your ESU?](#)
 - ESU 16
 - We have a handful of users working with Schoology.
 - We have a higher number of folks working with Google Classroom (if you classify that as an LMS which most people don't).
 - We have a limited number of Moodle users.
 - We have opened up a couple of Canvas Sandbox accounts for folks recently. Hershey is signing up for a full deployment.
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LOR (Craig Hicks or Shane Gerhartz):

- Update from the LOR Sub-Committee

- Evaluation process completed. No funding available so only have Learn 360 for the upcoming two years based on pricing agreement.
- Report will be made to ESUCC in January.
- Gary Targoff, NET, "NET and NDE have been working on a possible Appropriations request to fund the NET Virtual Library."

NDLA: *(Linda Dickeson)*

- NDLA annual conference February 24 (Pre-Conference), 25-26.
 - Keynote on Thursday - Julie Evans, CEO of Project Tomorrow
 - Keynote on Friday - Commissioner Matt Blomstedt
 - Contracted with Marcia Kish for a half day (4 hours) workshop the day before - Feb 24. Workshop cost: \$55.00 (Maximum attendees = 40)
 - Note: if your BlendEd Pilot schools/teams have been chosen, this pre-conference workshop plus the following conference would be a great way to give them a kick-start into blended learning.
 - Request for Proposals deadline has passed. Presenters will be notified in January.
 - [Hotel Block](#) is set - \$119 per night price. Get your hotel room booked early since there are only 20 rooms in the block.
 - Registration will be available following the holidays. Early bird rate \$135.
- Did anyone submit proposal for NDLA presentation?
 - Beth - Rotation Model Environment - Personal Experience in a BlendEd Classroom
 - Molly - Can't remember what it was on? VFTs I think

Combining DEAC/BlendEd/IMat/TAG:

- [Joint meeting January 28, 2016](#)
 - uncertainty of how this looks to maintain identity of each group
 - Are the administrators wanting this to occur?
- **79-1246. Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council; duties; Open Meetings Act applicable.**
 - (1) The Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council shall work toward statewide coordination to provide the most cost-effective services for the students, teachers, and school districts in each educational service unit. The council's duties include, but are not limited to:
 - (a) Preparation of strategic plans to assure the cost-efficient and equitable delivery of services across the state;
 - (b) Administration of statewide initiatives and provision of statewide services; and
 - (c) Coordination of distance education.

Dates of upcoming meetings:

- January 28, Kearney at ESU10, 8:30 - 3:30
- February 17, 2016 - North Platte, 9-3 (DEAC and NOC meeting)
 - Nate will present on NVIS and VFTs.

NOTE: This is a joint meeting with NOC and the date has been moved from the 16th to the 17th.
- Future meetings????? Should wait until it is determined if we have a joint or individual meetings? Prefer to wait to see what will happen.

Adjourn: Jason Everett moved, Linda second. Adjourned