

Educational Operating Committee Meeting

April 4, 2008

Attendance

- 48 district personnel attended
- 22 district represented

Overview

- Reorganization – COG – Effective July 1 – transparent to users. Summit county no longer employer. Hire treasurer. Own policy procedures. Better service.
- Implementing IP telephony system. 10 District participating. Five already use it. July 1 is cut over.
- Centralized email – Microsoft exchange.
- Document management – Green and Revere are currently using it.
- Reflections – Fiscal UPSP, payroll – need to upgrade license. Discussed with techs. Version 14. A sites need to upgrade too. August 1, 2008. No alternatives available. We will support reflections.
- Adding 3 new districts – Richmond Heights, St. Sebastian's, and St. Augustine.

EMIS

- Redesign – showed project timeline. Three ITCs participating in pilot. ODE purchasing hardware at NEOnet. All EMIS data will eventually be submitted to ODE from student software package (DASL). SSID integration will eliminate duplicate data entry. Sif compliant information will go to all software that uses this information.
- Brunswick asked about Aggregation? Technically possible. We are having some technical difficulties. Updates made in Alpha EMIS do not update DASL. Issue of logging out and back in to change databases. Can have multiple sessions open. Strongly encouraging to use EMIS web except for reports.

D3A2

- Loaded Woodridge, Norton, Cuyahoga Falls – EMIS and testing loaded into D3A2. Starting with data from Fall 2006 including OGT, OAT, Item analysis data loaded. Copley, Springfield, Tallmadge are attending meeting on April 14. There will be no more development on the testing side of DASL. Green and Barberton want to join the training. Every district will have 2006 information. Training beginning of May on data scrubbing. Will talk with Tech people about this. User name and password is email address. Website www.D3A2.org

Report card policy

- We want to be flexible with report cards and changes. Want to be able to customize reports. This will limit last minute changes. Will take policy to techs – who will recommend to board to put this policy in place.
- Matt reviewed policy and authorization form. Form will go to the Superintendent and copy to DASL/PB Admin. If possible, custom interims should be submitted to Student Services before the end of the school year.

Picture policy

- Tim Tracy is handling the pictures at NEOnet. Disks are received by picture companies and districts. Pictures are named correctly. Working with tech coordinators to gather “picture contact person”. ONLY excepting disk from district NOT Picture Company. NO original disks. No emails. Would like to create FTP site so CDs are not necessary. Hopefully, this soon becomes a reality. Request from Revere to keep junior picture for their senior year. Otherwise, there is no picture for DASL. Techs talked about not deleting pictures but rather overwrite what as there so there is always a picture. Matt stated this will be implemented.

Web washer

- Issues have been resolved.

DASL

- The problems from earlier this week have been identified. NEOnet is replacing all hardware this summer. Concerned about slow down in scheduling. Send Studentservices@neonet.org with concerns or problems so NEOnet is able to be able to track and monitor. DASL will be addressing needs of JVS's. Jennifer reviewed the 8.3 release notes. Susan Carpenter from Maplewood inquired the status of the enhancement request of EZQuery. She would like more options for reports. Email was sent with an update on enhancement. The options of putting reports into EXCEL as this was a big enhancement request.

DASL r

- Beginning DALSr training on April 14 and May 14 – limited to 12 – sessions will be the same. Users must have basic knowledge of Excel. Will send email with user name and password from signup sheet. Caution –information can save to Excel which allows the possibility of getting lost or shared. Concern about social security numbers.

DASL GPA Calculations

- Nancy showed PowerPoint presentation from state support. Look at GPA before printing report cards found on GPA maintenance screen. Do not refresh GPA on the R700 Screen. Refresh GPA before running report cards. Question – can you refresh the GPA more than once? Yes and should after any grade change.

PB / SSEM

- Invitation will be sent PB/SSEM Information day. Date is May 7. Teachers will also be invited.
- Parent Alert – parent access via email regarding grade change, missing assignments, attendance. Nordonia and Barberton are providing input to Software Answers for the development of Parent Alerts.
- Contact Denise about SSEM. The problem with finalization of forms was discussed. NEOnet can retrieve this information if this happens. Information is not lost.

Tentative training schedule

- DASL training – High School Middle school end of year – who should attend. Open labs are well attended. Send an email to studentservices@neonet.org if you want to attend. Times are posted on website. Please email studentservices@neonet.org if there is any additional training you would like offered.

Question/Answer

- Brunswick - Conversation about students leaving district and going to the community school – which building is responsible? Resolved - responsibility is on community school.
- Medina County JVS – how do you query on only SSID at another home school problem. NEOnet will request as an enhancement with state DASL support.

Next meeting – September 19, 2008.

