Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council Regular Meeting
March 7, 2019 at 8:30 AM
ESU 9 plus Zoom
5807 Osborne Dr. W
Hastings, NE 68901
DL Information: ESUs 3, 6, 9 (host), 13, 16, 18

Attendance Taken at 8:24 AM.

Heimann ESU 01: Present
DeTurk ESU 02: Present
Schnoes ESU 03: Present
Robke ESU 04: Present
McNiff ESU 05: Absent
Shoemake ESU 06: Absent
Polk ESU 07: Present
Mowinkel ESU 08: Present
Lofquist ESU 09: Present
Wheelock ESU 10: Present
Barnes ESU 11: Present
Calvert ESU 15: Present
Paulman ESU 16: Present
Erickson ESU 17: Present
Standish ESU 18: Present
Wickham ESU 19: Present
Jeff West (NE): Present

Attendance Update Taken at 10:34 AM.

Standish ESU 18: Absent

ESU Coordinating Council Information
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Educational Service Unit No. 9
Video Conference Sites: ESUs 3, 6, 9 (host), 13, 16, 18

Call to Order
Call to order at 8:00 AM.

Staff: David Ludwig, Deb Hericks, Scott Isaacson, Priscilla Quintana, Craig Peterson, Beth Kabes

Guest: Russ Masco
Roll Call

Approval of Minutes
Review of minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes as presented Passed with a motion by Barnes ESU 11 and a second by DeTurk ESU 02.
Yea: 15, Nay: 0

ESU Share Out Topics
ESU 4 had Engaging Educators Conference that was well attended. ESU 8 officially has occupancy permit to move into their new building. First events will be held next week.

Petitions and Communications to the Board
Learn360 Presentation by LPS
Chris Haeffner was present to share how Lincoln Public Schools uses Learn360. Add Learn360 to the April Talking Points. Make sure everyone receives the monthly update for Learn360.

Value-Add Demo (Bold Step #4)
The Bold Step Committee (Bold Step #4) gave an update on the value add in using SIMPL. They demoed how to enter the value add for each professional development services. Nate McClenahan will be working to add the Coop value add services. Need to figure out a cost for staff developers for their hourly rate. You need to have an explanation of why/how you came to the hourly rate. If on your worksheet the area is grayed out, that means the entity did not plan to use your service this year. ESU 7 did a market analysis three years ago that everyone can use as a guideline to help get them started. If we could have numbers in by April 1, 2019 let Dr. Polk know when you are finished so they can do some testing. Discussion on how we can make this work with the single ESUs. Future conversations to be held with SIMPL Advisory Committee for single ESUs.

State Board of Education and Nebraska Department of Education Report
Russ Masco was present to share NDE update. Talking points were geared this month towards CCSI, NNLN, ELLC. Please share comments on the Talking Point document. Let's share our story back to NDE as well. i.e.: Learn360. MTSS Coordinators will be considered an ESU employee but NDE will reimburse the funding through a grant. They were considered through the planning regional teams. MTSS focus will be on academic and social/emotional behavior. Will there be a potential for additional support for other ESUs? Russ Masco will work to get more information. PEAK funding can also be used for MTSS Coordinators. NDE contact has been Amy Rhone throughout this process. Questions on NLLN, is the CSI Schools (27). NLLN work may focus on these schools or may not. There will be 6 schools identified for this process. NDE is currently determining which six schools will be identified. Need to continue to discuss joint decision making because we should be included in these processes. The Aware Grant schools should be working with their regions throughout the grant.

Association of Education Service Agency’s Report
Nothing to report.

Learning Community Update
Not present for update.

**Executive Reports**
**Executive Director Report**
**ESUCC Redesign: Update**

**ESU Standards**
Committee to schedule next meeting.

**Joint Decision Making Parameters**
Joint Decision committee met this morning and discussed Smart Sheets more in depth on how we can coordinate better with NDE.

**SIMPL Inventory**
Small group of advisory members will be numbering the work from January PDO. After this work is completed, they will schedule a meeting.

**Value-Add Metric**
They gave a presentation on the process to the Board.

**Value Proposition**
Nothing new to report.

**Executive Committee Report**
Executive Committee had a presentation on the Smart Sheets. This should help with communication. This process should help to connect the work across the state. Executive Committee discussed the make-up of the Executive Committee as we will not have a past-president after Dr. West leaves in April. Discussed the annual review of the Five Bold Steps, May was discussed as the appropriate time frame by doing May 6 prior to the Committee/Board meeting. Ask new administrators to attend this review. Board Meeting change of April 2020 meeting - Data Conference is April 6-7, 2020, ESUCC Committee Board meeting/NDE Collaboration will be on April 8-9, 2020.

**Recommend Approval of Executive Director Appointment**
Dr. Schnoes shared the appointment and contract for the Executive Director position. ESU 17 will approve contract in March at their Board meeting.

Recommend Approval of Kraig Lofquist Executive Director Appointment Passed with a motion by Jeff West (NE) and a second by DeTurk ESU 02.
Lofquist ESU 09: Abstain (With Conflict), Standish ESU 18: Absent
Yea: 13, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

**Public Comment**
There was no public comment.

**Recommendations from Standing Committees and Project Reports**
**Finance, Audit, Budget Committee**
Approve Claims, Financials Statements, and Assets for Month of January
Committee Chair the January reports that committee reviewed.
Approve Claims, Financials Statements, and Assets for Month of January Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by Mowinkel ESU 08.
Yea: 14, Nay: 0.

Approval of February Expenses to be paid in March.
Committee Chair shared the February expenses to be paid in March that committee reviewed.
Recommend motion to approve February expenses to be paid in March Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by Erickson ESU 17.
Yea: 14, Nay: 0.

Technology Committee
Committee Chair shared discussion in committee. Appreciates the discussion between NOC and Global NOC. Tech surveys are done. SRS will be doing beta testing soon. TLT Budget requests are tabled until next month.

Approve Learn 360 Agreement - 2019-20
Discussed Learn360 agreement. The cost will be $.45 per student.
Recommend approval of Learn360 Consortium Agreement Passed with a motion by Polk ESU 07 and a second by Heimann ESU 01.
Yea: 14, Nay: 0.

Approve ESUCC commitment to update LR 264 Study
ESUCC has been asked to be a part of the update to the LR 264 study.
Recommend approval of our commitment to the renewal of the LR 264 study. Passed with a motion by DeTurk ESU 02 and a second by Wheelock ESU 10.
Yea: 14, Nay: 0.

Approve ESUCC Hosting Services RFP
Discussion regarding the RFP’s that were submitted by ESU 3, 6, 10.
Recommend approval of ESUCC contracting with ESU 3 for hosting services Passed with a motion by Robke ESU 04 and a second by Lofquist ESU 09.
Yea: 12, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 2

Special Projects and Learning Objects Section TLT
Committee met to review the changes in the MSA.

Recommend changes to MSA for the Special Projects and Learning Objects Section Passed with a motion by Polk ESU 07 and a second by Barnes ESU 11.

Approve NOC Budget Request for KSB Q&A
NOC budget request to have KSB join them for a meeting to answer questions.

Recommend approval of NOC Budget request for KSB Q and A Passed with a motion by DeTurk ESU 02 and a second by Wheelock ESU 10.

Approve NOC Budget Request
Committee Chair shared the NOC Budget requests for 2019-2020.

Recommend Approval of NOC Budget request for 2019-2020 Passed with a motion by DeTurk ESU 02 and a second by Robke ESU 04.

Cooperative Purchasing Project
Coop Chair shared discussion in committee. Reviewed COOP reports, this will become part of the value add bold step. Continue to have discussion with adding other states.

Approve Renewal/Extension of SIS Special Buy contracts dated August 2016 with Edupoint, Power School, Harris Computer, and Tyler Technologies.

Have Coop Director negotiate with SIS vendors for renewal of Special Buy contracts and approve upon a favorable review by ESUCC appointed Attorney. Passed with a motion by Mowinkel ESU 08 and a second by Wheelock ESU 10.
Heimann ESU 01: Yea, DeTurk ESU 02: Yea, Schnoes ESU 03: Yea, Robke ESU 04: Yea, Polk
Yea: 14, Nay: 0

PD Leadership Committee
Committee Chair shared discussions in committee. Continue to discuss CCSI/ELLC/NLLN. Reminder to register for May PDO with two day training with Brad Geise on data.

Approve SDA Budget Requests
Discussion of SDA Budget requests. PDO Budget request to be approved next month following the approval of the TLT budget requests.

Recommend approval of SDA budget requests for 2019-2020 Passed with a motion by West ESU 13 and a second by Barnes ESU 11.

Approve ESUCC_PDO 2YR Calendar - 2019-2021
Discussion regarding the ESUCC/PDO Calendar.

Recommend approval of two-year calendar with the change in April 2020 Board meeting to 8/9th at LPS Passed with a motion by Lofquist ESU 09 and a second by Wheelock ESU 10.

Special Populations Committee
Committee shared committee discussions. The NDE February Newsblast are attached for review. Mental Health Conference is open for registration. Discussed the SRS tier-structure. Jean Anderson was present to share about the MIPS process and Fairbanks. Important for ESU need to have staff claimed under the ESU and not the school. Jean Anderson will survey the ESPD to find out how they are currently reporting. Send request of MIPS info to Jennifer Irvine with Fairbanks.

Approval of SRS Fees Structure (5% Increase for 2019-2020) and also Invoice ESUs ONLY
Recommend approval of SRS Fees Structure - 5% Increase for 2019-2020 and also Invoice ESUs ONLY Passed with a motion by Polk ESU 07 and a second by Erickson ESU 17.

Legislative Committee
Committee Chair shared discussions in committee. Bromm's were present to give updates. They have had busy the past couple weeks with 12 hearings. Senators have a couple more weeks to declare their priority bills. They will continue to communicate through the Executive director on updates. ESUs have been mentioned in hearings, feel that they have been in a
positive manner. Revenue Committee nor Education Committee have not had any major items they will be voting on. LB725 - Sen. Walz bill on Mental Health has not received a hearing date. Recommend to support getting a hearing date. We will have a few to testify when the hearing is scheduled. Revenue Forecast has downplayed the revenue by $100 million. So now bills with fiscal note will be voted out. Continue to talk efficiencies and savings to schools that we provide services. Discussion on sparsity to have a broad definition. NCSA Coalition meet every Wednesday through the legislative session. Next Tuesday, a group of people will be scheduling visits with Senators and pulling them off the floor. Will provide reports from SIMPL to add to discussions. Executive Director to share packet digitally once ready. The debriefed about the Senator day with suggestions to add to those days.

NEW ESU Chief Administrators
ESU 10 Administrator shared that the MTSS is a cooperative agreement. Begin with three regions this year with the intention to expand to two more next years and two more the year after.

Discussions on anyone having schools move back to Nebraska Frameworks from AdvancEd. Some ESUs plan to change/or are exploring the change back to Frameworks.

Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 11:39 AM.