ESU Coordinating Council Regular Meeting  
November 14, 2018 at 8:30 AM Central  
ESU No. 3  6949 South 110th Street  
Omaha, NE 68128

Attendance Taken at 8:30 AM.  
Heimann ESU 01: Present  
DeTurk ESU 02: Present  
Schnoes ESU 03: Present  
Robke ESU 04: Present  
McNiff ESU 05: Present  
Shoemake ESU 06: Present  
Polk ESU 07: Present  
Mowinkel ESU 08: Present  
Lofquist ESU 09: Present  
Wheelock ESU 10: Present  
Barnes ESU 11: Present  
West ESU 13: Present  
Calvert ESU 15: Present  
Paulman ESU 16: Present  
Erickson ESU 17: Present  
Standish ESU 18: Present  
Wickham ESU 19: Present

ESU Coordinating Council Information

Call to Order
Call to order at 8:30 AM.  
Staff: David M Ludwig, Deb Hericks, Priscilla Quintana, Craig Peterson, Scott Isaacson  
Guests: Russ Masco, Mike Dulaney, Dan Ernst, Dorann Avey

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes Review of the minutes  
Motion to approve the minutes and collaboration notes as presented Passed with a motion by Calvert ESU 15 and a second by Barnes ESU 11.  
Yea: 17, Nay: 0

ESU Share Out Topics
Petitions and Communications to the Board
State Board of Education and Nebraska Department of Education Report
Russ Masco was presented to give the NDE update. The talking points have been sent out to administrators and affiliates please share with your schools. Russ Masco has been working on the questions/concerns. CCSI Facilitator training has begun and they worked together a couple days this week. CCSI Committee is being co-lead by Executive Director Ludwig and Lane Carr from NDE.

OER Update/Presentation
Dorann Avey, NDE, Beth Kabes, Rhonda Eis were present to update on the OER. They gave a review of the website for the Nebraska OER Commons. TLT and participants will have a training and curating materials for the OER Hub tomorrow. They continue to have workshops to help curate materials and grow this website. The Special Projects TLT work will become the ownership of the ESUCC once work is completed. They discussed the Service Plan and the upcoming year and moving to the Advanced Service plan. This will allow us to continue get standards updated as well. NDE will be covering the extra cost for the upgraded service plan. Next year they plan to go back to the basic plan as they shouldn't need the extra help/resources. NDE plans to have teachers curate materials for several content areas like Science, PE, etc.

Association of Education Service Agency's Report
AESA update on annual conference, Nebraska is one of the top states attending the conference.

Learning Community Update
Dave Patton was not present at meeting to give an update.

NCSA Update
Dr. Dulaney and Dr. Ernst, NCSA were present to give an NCSA update. Senator Kolterman created a special retirement work group to discuss substitute teachers and create a balance between protecting the retirement plan and the OCERP Plan. Senator Kolterman has decided to not pursue a substitute bill. NPERS to finish their audit. NCSA will begin working with Team Mates and Senator Kolterman on definition of volunteer is clear and not interfere with coordinators jobs. NCSA started an Education Association Coalition to begin working together to communicate better together. Open Sky facilitates this meeting so no one side is more important. There is a need to look at other sources than just property tax relief. CPI (Consumer Price Index) could possibly be talked about this legislative session. They expect a bill for retirement plan to change from 2% state input. NCSA appreciates the invites to speak at Superintendent meetings. Resiliency is a good concept but fearful there will be an impact on education. Resiliency program run/offered through EHA to help pay for this program. Hope to move plan forward slowly.

Polk Dissertation Presentation
Larianne Polk presented her work on her dissertation, “Nebraska ESU Legislation from 1992 to Present.” She will be sharing her dissertation on Thursday, November 15 in Fedora 1, Embassy Suites at 4:30 PM. There is more information on the attachment on the agenda. There are three basic types of AEs, Cooperative (Type C) - this is Nebraska, Special District (Type A) and Regional (Type B). When ESUs were born in statute, it only passed by one vote. Black Hatters Group were against large government, calling ESUs Super Schools. She shared a timeline of her studies on NE ESUs Legislation.

**Executive Reports**

**Executive Director Report**

**ESUCC Redesign: Update**

**ESU Standards**

ESU Standards Chair reported that they have had two meetings and reviewed the standards crosswalk document they have created. This document contains Advanced Ed Frameworks, Nebraska Standards, and Committee Chair standards. Then they are going to synthesize to come up with what ESU/ESUCC standards may look like. After that they will share with the ESUCC Board, affiliates, etc. for review.

**Joint Decision Making Parameters**

Joint Decision Making Chair shared they have not met this past month but there is action taking place with more of a ground up effort. There has been some joint leadership established on some committee work like OER, CCSI and others.

**SIMPL Inventory**

SIMPL Inventory Chair shared that they have received another ESU list of services. Don’t expect more until January PDO when we will work on services.

**Value-Add Metric**

Value Add Chair shared that they have met, and have been reviewing vendors for the return on investment work. The committee has decided to move forward on our own and create it ourselves. They will begin with PD Team (SIMPL) and figure out cost and COOP sales and services. Between the two they will get a feel of what needs to request.

**Value Proposition**

Value Proposition Chair shared they met and worked together on a Google Doc to help narrow focus. Continue to work around the "What would we do, if we didn't have ESUCC?"

**ESUCC Matrix/Structure of Support**

Executive Director shared the work being done across all associated work and how it all ties together. Shared the structure of support that was done the Fall of 2017. He reviewed the new document and how the plan to work with this document will help to tell our story. Important to share with schools, legislature, etc. how involved and connected we are across the state.
Executive Committee Report
President shared discussion in committee. The committee is beginning to review policies; they are currently working on the 1000 series. The committee discussed CCSI and the work of the committee and the training for the facilitators. They reviewed the redesign process/updates.

Public Comment
There were no public comments.

Recommendations from Standing Committees and Project Reports
Finance, Audit, Budget Committee
Committee Chair reviewed September/October reports with the Board. The Committee continues to work on budget goals for future budgets.

Approve Claims, Financials Statements, and Assets for Month of September and October
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Heimann ESU 01: Yea; DeTurk ESU 02: Yea; Schnoes ESU 03: Yea; Robke ESU 04: Yea; McNiff ESU 05: Yea; ShoemakeESU06: Yea; Polk ESU 07: Yea; MowinkelESU08: Yea; Lofquist ESU 09: Yea; Wheelock ESU10: Yea; Barnes ESU 11: Yea; West ESU 13: Yea; Calvert ESU 15: Yea; Paulman ESU 16: Yea; Erickson ESU 17: Yea; Standish ESU 18: Yea; Wickham ESU 19: Yea. Yea: 17, Nay: 0

Approval of October Expenses to be paid in November.
Committee Chair reviewed October expenses to be paid in November.

Recommend motion to approve October expenses to be paid in November Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by Heimann ESU 01.

Heimann ESU 01: Yea; DeTurk ESU 02: Yea; Schnoes ESU 03: Yea; Robke ESU 04: Yea; McNiff ESU 05: Yea; ShoemakeESU06: Yea; Polk ESU 07: Yea; MowinkelESU08: Yea; Lofquist ESU 09: Yea; Wheelock ESU10: Yea; Barnes ESU 11: Yea; West ESU 13: Yea; Calvert ESU 15: Yea; Paulman ESU 16: Yea; Erickson ESU 17: Yea; Standish ESU 18: Yea; Wickham ESU 19: Yea. Yea: 17, Nay: 0

Recommend approval of December Claims as approved by Executive Director
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Chair shared the need to approve December claims by Exec Director due to no board meeting in December.

Recommend approval of December Claims as approved by Executive Director Passed with a motion by Schnoes ESU 03 and a second by McNiff ESU 05.
Technology Committee
Committee Chair discussion in committee. It is important that NDE is alongside with the OER Hub. Discussed the reporting of ADVISER, will continue to work out the bugs and next time will be much smoother. The BlendEd Special Projects is going well and will begin working with teachers next week. NOC meeting last week went well and currently discussing the need to meet with KSB to have a Q & A discussion. TLT will continue to discuss Learn360 and the impact if some ESUs do not participate. NE Math Readiness Project is to help senior students that need help to get passed the college remedial courses. Nancy Movall will continue to work with Cory Hatt and NDE so that work can progress alongside of the statewide work we are doing. If you take both levels of NE Math Readiness class, student will enter at College Level Math.

Cooperative Purchasing Project
Committee Chair shared discussions in committee. Chair, Exec. Director, Coop Director met with legal to discuss future resources, work with other state, etc. Working to get Coop back as a revenue stream. They will continue to follow and pursue, etc. Post-secondary Ed are working to share our info so that may be able to expanded the program to those schools. Discussion on Annual Paper Buy and the lack of manufacturing and the cost of pulp.

Approve Special Buy Agreement with Impero
Committee Chair shared the motion at hand.

Approve upon a favorable review by ESUCC appointed Attorney the Special Buy agreement with Impero Passed with a motion by Mowinkel ESU 08 and a second by Robke ESU 04.

Approve Special Buy contract extension with hand2mind Inc.
Committee chair shared the motion at hand.

Approve Contract Extension with hand2mind upon a favorable review by ESUCC appointed Attorney. Passed with a motion by Mowinkel ESU 08 and a second by Robke ESU 04.
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**Approve Addendum to Special Buy Agreement with JourneyEd**

Committee chair shared the motion at hand.

Approve upon a favorable review by ESUCC appointed Attorney the Addendum to the Special Buy with JourneyEd. Passed with a motion by Mowinkel ESU 08 and a second by Robke ESU 04.

Heimann ESU 01: Yea; DeTurk ESU 02: Yea; Schnoes ESU 03: Yea; Robke ESU 04: Yea; McNiff ESU 05: Yea; ShoemakeESU06: Yea; Polk ESU 07: Yea; MowinkelESU08: Yea; Lofquist ESU 09: Yea; Wheelock ESU10: Yea; Barnes ESU 11: Yea; West ESU 13: Yea; Calvert ESU 15: Yea; Paulman ESU 16: Yea; Erickson ESU 17: Yea; Standish ESU 18: Yea; Wickham ESU 19: Yea. Yea: 17, Nay: 0

**PD Leadership Committee**

Committee Chair shared discussions in Committee. Lane Carr and Brad Portin were present to discuss CCSI, ELLC, NELN, etc. Executive Director shared the draft of the PD Leadership Structure so there will be more leadership across the committee. Discussion on January PDO, the ESUCC committees/board will meet the beginning of the same week. Discussion and approval of Brad Geise two-day training at May PDO.

**PDO May - Brad Geise**

Discussion and approval of Brad Geise training at May PDO.

Motion to approve PD Planning Budget Request for Brad Geise to present in May 2019 Passed with a motion by West ESU 13 and a second by Erickson ESU 17.

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**Special Populations Committee**

Committee Chair shared discussion in committee. The committee had an overview of the new SRS platform. They will be looking for a few schools to pilot next semester and will be available to all next summer. Jean Anderson was present to give an update from ESPD meetings. Steve Milliken was present to give updates for NDE. The final financials will change for the upcoming years, to go from 3 reports down to 1 report. The NE School Mental Health Conference is on June 11-12, 2019 in Kearney. Call for proposals has opened up. Lots of great things happening
across the state, showcase at this conference. There will be a school mental health survey coming out next week to ESU administrators, please have your staff help answer the survey.

**Legislative Committee**
Committee Chair shared discussion in committee. NDE was present to help inform us on the K-3 Reading Program. They are collecting assessments to be published by March 1, 2019. Templates will be available for supplement. Bromm was present to share legislative update. He expects that there may be additional changes to the Reading Bill. He gave updates on the election. There are still 3 open seats. One is a contested/recount and then there are two additional seats that are open because of being elected into different seats. The recount should be settled this Friday. One returning to the legislature and is pro-education. Educational Chair could possibly have someone running against for the Education Chair position. Medicaid expansion bill passed. Expect Governor to use as a bargaining chip. The aide to to Education Chair has moved positions, he was a good advocate for education. Tentative legislative calendar begins on January 9 - June 6. ESU Legislative Day will be on February 13, at the Bromm's Conference Room from 7:30-2:00 PM. Recommend to personally invite your senator.

**NEW ESU Chief Administrators**
OER has been approved at ESU level, can we define further such as blogs, who owns when they leave the district. They will need to get approval from employer in order to take materials with, may need to remove all graphics that may be the ownership of the employer. Executive Director will ask legal for advice. How do you revamp a position to meet the current needs especially with marketing, etc.? Administrators shared how they meet the marketing, graphic needs for their ESUs. How often do they have superintendent meetings? Administrators shared how each do their own meetings. Several options were shared; Zoom meetings, extra meetings throughout the year like during legislative session, etc.

**Adjournment**
Meeting adjourned at 11:38 AM.