

Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council
Regular Meeting
October 7, 2020 at 12:30 PM Central
LPS Admin. Bldg.
5905 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68501

Attendance Taken at 12:30 PM.

Greg Barnes (ESU 11):	Present
Paul Calvert (ESU 15):	Present
Corey Dahl (ESU 08):	Present
Dr. Ted DeTurk (ESU 02):	Present
Dr. Andrew Dick (ESU 13):	Present
Geraldine Erickson (ESU 17):	Present
Drew Harris (ESU 09):	Present
Dr. Bill Heimann (ESU 01):	Present
Dr. Brenda McNiff (ESU 05):	Absent
Deb Paulman (ESU 16):	Present
Dr. Larianne Polk (ESU 07):	Absent
Gregg Robke (ESU 04):	Present
Sarah Salem (ESU 18):	Present
Dr. Dan Schnoes (ESU 03):	Present
Dr. John Skretta (ESU 06):	Present
Dr. Melissa Wheelock (ESU 10):	Present
Constance Wickham (ESU 19):	Present

ESU Coordinating Council Information
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Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 12:30 PM

Staff: Kraig Lofquist, Deb Hericks, Priscilla Quintana

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

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Motion to approve the minutes as presented Passed with a motion by Sarah Salem (ESU 18) and a second by Paul Calvert (ESU 15).

Greg Barnes (ESU 11): Yea
Paul Calvert (ESU 15): Yea
Corey Dahl (ESU 08): Yea
Dr. Ted DeTurk (ESU 02): Yea
Dr. Andrew Dick (ESU 13): Yea
Geraldine Erickson (ESU 17): Yea
Drew Harris (ESU 09): Yea
Dr. Bill Heimann (ESU 01): Yea
Deb Paulman (ESU 16): Yea
Gregg Robke (ESU 04): Yea
Sarah Salem (ESU 18): Yea
Dr. Dan Schnoes (ESU 03): Yea
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Dr. Melissa Wheelock (ESU 10): Yea
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Yea: 15, Nay: 0

ESU Share Out Topics

ESU 4 purchased a new building, hoping to move in within a year. Discussion on supporting staff through the pandemic with fatigue, etc. Different scenarios, feel the love/jeans day; fill your cup; lunch together in big room; touching base with each; organize flu shots onsite, etc.

Petitions and Communications to the Board

State Board of Education and Nebraska Department of Education Report

Kim Snyder, NDE was present to share updates from her department. NLLN work completed and moved into theory of action. Ryan Ricenbaw has been hired to work with schools. Dr. Julie Downing will be working to help NDE/ESU support the development, implementation, and improvement of the newly revised Nebraska Teacher and Principal Performance Standards. SEED (Supporting Educator Effectiveness through Development) is a shift in focus of work to making sure there is an instructional model and evaluation model in place. There will not be a mandate for SEED but whatever instructional model is being used in the schools, they will need to prove that it is equal to or more rigorous than the NE model. Have the discussion with staff about what has been effective throughout the pandemic. Working with SDA affiliate to work on process and have them at the table during discussions. Shift focus - don't focus on just the evaluation instruments, they want principals to feel they are supported. They also want to get higher education at the table for discussions to make the process seamless.

Russ Masco, NDE gave updates on the Rule 84 meeting. Discussions on the teams and the need for common goals in the work that NDE and ESUCC do collaboratively.

Association of Education Service Agency's Report

Executive Director shared information on the AESA Call to Action. Those that attended felt that Nebraska is ahead of other states in supporting their schools through the pandemic. Federal updates were on funding of E-rate, mental health, nutrition services gaps, special education and Maintenance of Effort (MOE), liability for special education because requirements of IEPs, etc. Dan Schnoes will be running for the AESA Region position.

Learning Community Update

Not present.

Executive Reports

Executive Director Report

Executive Director shared that Rule 84 meeting will be working on Goal 2: Joint Decision Making.

ESUCC Redesign: Update

ESU Standards

No report given.

Joint Decision Making Parameters

Rule 84 work tomorrow, addresses this goal.

SIMPL Inventory

No report given.

Value-Add Metric

No report given.

Value Proposition

No report given.

Executive Committee Report

Other discussions in committee was the Executive Director evaluation. Executive Assistant to send an email with information to Administrators soon. Google form to be filled out by October 31, 2020. Administrators are not mandated to fill out the form.

Approve Claims, Financials Statements, and Assets for Month of September

Treasurer reviewed claims, financial statements and assets for the month of August.

Approve Claims, Financials Statements, and Assets for Month of September Passed with a motion by Geraldine Erickson (ESU 17) and a second by Constance Wickham (ESU 19).

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Approval of September Expenses to be paid in October.

Treasurer reviewed September expenses to be paid in October.

Recommend motion to approve September expenses to be paid in October Passed with a motion by Geraldine Erickson (ESU 17) and a second by Greg Barnes (ESU 11).

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If ESUCC cannot meet during the pandemic, authorize Executive Director to pay invoices if we are shut down during 2020-21

President Elect share the reason for the motion that if ESUCC cannot meet during the pandemic, we authorize Executive Director to pay invoices if we are shut down during 2020-21

Recommend authorization for Executive Director to pay invoices if we are shut down during 2020-21 due to pandemic Passed with a motion by Dr. Dan Schnoes (ESU 03) and a second by Paul Calvert (ESU 15).

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Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Recommendations from Standing Committees and Project Reports

Information Services Committee

Committee Chair shared discussions from committee. Software Innovation Network has four areas of work: assessment diagnostic tools, single sign on expansion (Eduroam), Canvas, and data privacy and security. Canvas training next week at ESU 10. Trainer has been hired for East side of the state. Discussion for GEERS money. Districts should be filling out the digital survey. TLT presented the 2020-21 digital learning project. TLT has updated their by-laws for committee review.

Education Resources

Committee Chair shared discussions from committee. Ruth Miller gave an update for ESPD. Cory Epler was present to give updates on High Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM). SRS updated, working with ADVISER on reporting. Title IX trainings available through KSB and pending trainings from NCSA and Perry Law Firm. Discussed shared trainers across ESUs - regional or other. Discussed about additional affiliate groups but shared affinity groups or cadres might work best. Level 3 and Mental Health are an example of one of these such groups. ESUs are not regulatory entities.

Legal Committee

Committee Chair shared discussions from committee. Annual Buy is open for vendors. Equal

Level contract will expire this year. Coop Director has begun discussions with the vendor about renewal. Curt and Jason Bromm were present to discuss some legislative studies that are happening. Discussed the general election and how it may impact the ESUs. Discussed potential legislation this coming session.

Approve Special Buy Agreement with PPG Paints

Committee Chair reviewed contract with PPG Paints.

Recommend approval of proposed resolution, upon favorable review by ESUCC Attorney
Passed with a motion by Greg Barnes (ESU 11) and a second by Dr. John Skretta (ESU 06).

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NEW ESU Chief Administrators

Discussion on SPARQ negotiation tool. Some have committees that do the array/negotiations. Perry Law Firm provides a comparability study.

Rule 84 Meeting

The October Rule 84 Meeting will be held on October 8 from 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM via Zoom.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:17 PM.