LACATech Meeting Minutes – August 6, 2003

I. Roll Call
The LACATech meeting was called to order at 8:40am on August 6, 2003. The following members were present:

Dave Calloway (LCESC),), Jesse Lyon (LCJVS), Beth Spieth (Lakewood), Michelle Berry (Heath), Sondra Wilson (Newark), Larry Smith (North Fork), Lisa Smith (Northridge) Jeff Cameron (SW Licking), Kevin Snyder (West Muskingum), Shawn Wharton (Johnstown, and Sandra Mercer (LACA).

Others attending included: Carol VanDeest (SchoolNet), Jill Merry (St. Francis), Chris Parkinson (Newark Catholic), Chad Carson (LACA), Eric Thompson (LACA), Lonny Claypool (LACA), Helen Morris (LACA).

II. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes
04-001   It was moved by Beth Spieth and seconded by Larry Smith to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2003 meeting. A vote of approval was taken.

III. Welcome to new member
Chris Parkinson – New Technology Coordinator at Newark Catholic High School

IV. New INFOhio Electronic Resources
Trish Baker announced additional free resources are available making a total of 11. INFOhio Library training is scheduled for October 1, 2003 at LACA. Morning and afternoon training sessions are available.

V. SchoolNet Update
MCOECN Technology 2003 Training scheduled for October 27 – 31 and November 3 – 7.
E-Rate Workshops: October 8, 2003 at MVESC Zanesville and October 16, 2003 at Eastland Career Center (Columbus)
FY03 Professional Development Funds Expenditure deadline is September 15, 2003 & Reports are due September 30, 2003.
Sixth Annual OH SN State Tech. Conference March 1,2 and 3, 2004

VI. E-Rate Update
a. ISP vs Consortium Filing was reviewed & decision made to stay as Consortium.
Where are we in process: 6/30/03 ended on target with $233,000
$1750/building costs capped
Anticipating drop in state funds next year
Currently getting $3000/building instead of $3500/building as in the past year
No longer getting flat rate; builled on actual costs and use
Spending needs to be monitored this year

OneNet
Funding will go directly to the districts. There is no option to choose to send the funds to the DA-Site. LACA will invoice the districts for the OneNet funds.

VII. **WAN Updates**
a) LAN Switch Maintenance for 2003-2004
  Cisco Switch maintenance forms due back to LACA (Chad) by Aug. 20, 2003
b) Fiber
   i. Carol gave update on the Third Frontier Network for statewide fiber optic service
   ii. Local Fiber Steering Committee
    Jesse and Dave are the LACATech representatives. Tom Slater and Janice Streit are
    Superintendent representatives, Brian Wilson and Rick Jones are Treasurer
    representatives. Sandy asked for suggestions for two principals to represent the disticts.
    Tom Holman and Gary Steinen were suggested.
c) Network Restructure Update
    Migration of Windows 2000 servers to the DMZ will take place on August 9, 2003.
    This move is happening to tighten LACA's network security. The DMZ will firewall
    LACA's servers from possible internal attacks from the districts we serve.
d) Webmail Replacement Evaluation Status
    Statewide committee is looking for web based product. So far, no products are better
    than Webmail for the price and features they offer. There is no compelling reason to
    switch at this time.
e) Student E-mail – Gaggle.Net
    Form was distributed which needs Superintendent signature and should be returned by
    August 20, 2003.
f) Internet Filtering & Caching – Status on review of new products
    8e6 Technologies product was evaluated. Looking for lower costs and greater
    functionality alternatives. Two additional products will be evaluated before our Websense
    license runs out. Decision must be made before November 1st.
g) Sophos Anit-Virus Update – Reminder that virus protection will be part of FY05 WAN
    services. Don't buy other Virus products.

VIII. **Other Discussion**
a) IVDL Updates
    VTEL offer for upgrades is 1200 per unit for upgrades, including 3 years of
    maintenance. Let Eric Thompson know if you have any VTEL unit problems.
b) K-12 Class Data (Progressbook) Updates
    August 13 at 9:00 – Special Ed Update meeting
    Training sessions are scheduled for Sept. 8 – 30, 2003 at LACA.
    More features are being added, like Lesson Plans (IMS), State Standards, Short Cycle
    Assignments

VII. **Unfinished Business**
a) Status Solutions was presented to the group. They provide alerts on various systems,
    such as fire prevention, security systems, HVAC, etc. No interest was shown in having
    them come in to present. The URL for Status Solutions is
    http://www.statussolutions.com/ for those who want further information.

VIII. **New Business**
a) Next Meeting Date **Oct. 15, 2003 8:30 AM**

IX. **Adjournment**
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    It was moved by Beth Spieth and seconded by Michelle berry to adjourn the meeting at
    10:30am. A vote of approval was taken.