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Licking Area Computer Association

Minutes of the the meeting of the Technology Advisory Committee held November 5, 1997, at 8:30 a.m.

The following members answered present to the roll call: Carol VanDeest representing Johnstown, Jesse Lyon representing the JVS, Debbie Palm representing Lakewood, Dave Calloway representing the LCESC, Greg Waite representing Maysville, Mary Blankestyn representing North Fork, Ray Hetterscheidt representing Northridge, Theresa Kucsma representing Southwest Licking, Vicki Clark representing West Muskingum, Jack McDonald representing the Fiscal Advisory committee, Brian Edwards representing Newark, Nelson McCray representing the Governing Board and Sandra Mercer representing LACA. Chad Carson, Scott Tate and Trish Baker were also present for the meeting. Representatives from Granville, Heath, and Licking Heights were not able to attend.

All representatives introduced themselves.

- 98-001 It was moved by Vicki Clark and seconded by Mary Blankestyn to approve the minutes of the May 21, 1997 meeting. A vote of approval was taken.

- 98-002 The current LACANet policy was discussed in detail and included the request to release the limit on accounts per building. Each committee member received a copy of the current LACANet District Policy. Nelson McCray moved to change the LACANet District Policy to unlimited accounts per district and to change the wording of the LACANet User Policy to address limited usage. Vicki Clark seconded the motion. A vote of approval was taken. It was agreed by all that disconnect settings may be required but no software settings to enforce this were needed at this time. LACA will look into reporting capabilities on the use of the modems for review at the next meeting. Modified policy changes will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Discussion items included an update from Brian Edwards on the status of Woodside, the SchoolNet Teaching and Learning Center, located at 235 Woods Ave., and it's availability after Jan 1, 1998. Brian is accepting requests to schedule the building use through e-mail. Other SchoolNet items included current available SchoolNet grants, the need for teachers to participate in the LessonLab project, an update on the 8-week SchoolNet TeleCourses, upcoming SchoolNet meetings, and LACA's availability to help schools with the SchoolNet wiring process. A question was raised on the ability for schools to use SchoolNet plus monies to hire Tech Coordinators who provide professional development to the teachers. Questions are to be directed to Sandy Paxton at ITSCO (800-454-5501 x111). Other items included the upcoming install of LACA's firewall, the need for LACA to get a quote on content filtering options, the discussion of LACA Technical Support Contracts, LACA's plans to contract with legal counsel to help schools with the E-Rate filing questions/issues, and a discussion on yearly termination of student accounts. It was agreed upon by all for LACA to set an expiration date on all current student accounts for June 15, 1997, and send a listing to each LACATECH committee member on the current student accounts for their district. It will be the responsibility of each LACATECH rep to send e-mail to LACA on current student accounts to be removed. Future procedures for student accounts will be discussed at a future LACATECH meeting. LACA will check into the status of the Internet Acceptable Use Policy by Bricker & Eckler.

- 98-003 Brian Edwards opened the nominations for officers. It was moved by Brian Edwards and seconded by Jack McDonald to elect Jesse Lyon as  
98-004 Chairman and Dave Calloway as Vice-Chairman. Mary Blankestyn moved and

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Theresa Kucsma seconded the nominations be closed. A vote of approval was taken.

Unfinished business included the need for the committee to review the goals at a future meeting. A modified Staff User Security form was presented. Changes included the removal of Non-interactive accounts, the addition of inactivity of accounts and the addition of MOLE and Excelsior services. The form will also be presented to the Fiscal advisory for recommendations prior to Governing Board approval.

New business included the announcement that the next meeting is scheduled for December 3, at 8:30 a.m. at LACA.

98-005 It was moved by Nelson McCray to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Reported by,

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