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Licking Area Computer Association

Minutes of the the meeting of the Technology Advisory Committee held January 7, 1998, at 8:30 a.m.

The following members answered present to the roll call: Rich Allen representing Granville, Debbie Palm representing Lakewood, Bruce Revenaugh representing Licking Heights, Greg Waite and Tom Larkin representing Maysville, Ray Hetterscheidt representing Northridge, Theresa Kucsma representing Southwest Licking, Vick Clark representing West Muskingum, Nelson McCray representing the Governing Board, Dave Calloway representing the LCESC and Sandra Mercer representing LACA. Brian Edwards representing Newark arrived at 9:15 a.m. Scott Tate, Chad Carson, Trish Baker and Joey Alexander were also present for the meeting. Representatives from Heath, Johnstown, North Fork and the JVS were not able to attend.

All representatives introduced themselves.

- 98-009 It was moved by Nelson McCray and seconded by Rich Allen to approve the minutes of the December 3, 1997 meeting. A vote of approval was taken.

The LACATECH goals were presented. It was agreed upon for the committee to review all current projects/discussions and determine if the goals are appropriate and being implemented. The following committee members agreed to report on the following goals at the next meeting: Brian Edwards - Goal #1; Rich Allen and Tom Larkin - Goal #2; Trish Baker and Sandy Mercer - Goal #3; Ray Hetterscheidt and Dave Calloway - Goal #4. NewsGroups as a means to promote/facilitate more communication was discussed.

An update on the E-Rate was presented. LACA is planning to hold informational meetings and workshops to help the schools through the application filing process. LACA is also working on a detailed check sheet for schools to complete and help with the RFP/bidding process. Information on the January 6, SchoolNet workshop on the E-Rate was also presented in detail and ALL DISTRICTS were encouraged to send a representative to the Jan 15 SchoolNet meeting at COSERRC. Sandy Mercer and Dave Calloway will work on a summary of information presented at the Jan. 6 meeting and post to the LACATECH listserv.

LACA and the LCESC's Professional Development Exchange Program proposal was presented in detail. Discussion and use of Woodside to reduce program costs followed. The program will be discussed again at the next meeting. LACA is currently looking into SchoolNet startup funding for the program.

Internet content filtering and discussion of liabilities followed. LACA presented an update on Web Buddy and system requirements needed. The software appeared to be more related to the classroom rather than a whole school. Northridge stated an interest in moving forward with Internet content filtering for their district. Committee members were asked to post their district intent so standardizing/group purchasing could be looked into.

Unfinished business included the notice that LACA will not be installing a firewall at this time, but will be installing a PIX to handle the immediate need of address translation. Each LACATECH member received copies of the approved LACANet District and User forms. Unfinished business also included two outstanding projects: process for student account expiration and reporting; and a web server policy.

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New business included an update from Trish Baker on the LSTA grants available to school libraries. LACA plans to submit a grant for electronic resources in this first round. Any school library who is not automated and interested in applying for the larger grant to be announced in Feb. is to contact Trish at LACA. Copies of electronic resources being reviewed by the state was also distributed. With many INFOhio items needing relayed to the school librarians and the need for LACA to form a Multitilis User's group, Sandy Mercer recommended that the LACATECH agenda be geared toward the school librarians every other month. It was agreed upon by all for LACA to set the March 4, meeting for librarians.

98-010 It was moved by Rich Allen and seconded by Dave Calloway to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Reported by,

Sandra Mercer  
LACA Director

\*\*LACANet training followed the meeting.\*\*\*