



LACATech Meeting Minutes – December 3, 2015

NOTE: This meeting was a combined LACATech/Curriculum meeting

Roll Call

The LACATech meeting took place starting at 8:37am on December 3, 2015. The following members were in attendance : Glenn Welker (Granville), Kevin Adams (Johnstown), Kevin Snyder (Lancaster), Darian Kovach (Licking Heights), Eric Smith (Maysville), Amy Norman (Newark City), Jack Kruse (Northridge), Jeff Cameron (Southwest Licking), Chris Irvin (Tri-Valley), Larry Smith (North Fork), Randy Miller (Lakewood), and Jon Bowers (LACA).

Others attending the meeting were David Dewese (Fairfield Christian Academy), David Deibel (Granville Christian Academy), Timothy Ballard (Newark Digital Academy), Kim Watson (North Fork), Justin Post (LACA), Charles Gillogly (LACA), Robert Rittenhouse (LACA), Dave Stein (LACA), and Chad Carson (LACA).

Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

16-12 It was moved by Jeff Cameron and seconded by Kevin Snyder to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2015 LACATech meeting. A unanimous vote of approval was taken.

WAN/K12 Network Updates

Lorrie Germann has conducted workshops on posting 470s using the new EPC (E-Rate Productivity Center) system. Get with Jon Bowers if you are not sure how to get into the EPC system. The window for posting 470s is now open. No workshops have been announced for posting 471s yet. Please try to attend one of Lorrie's workshops if you can. As you know funding for voice over IP has been reduced by 20% for this year, and will continue to be reduced 20% per year for the next 4 years until it phases out. LACA will still continue to offer the hosted voice service even after this occurs. Hosted Wireless implementations are now funded as well.

The K12 Network funding distribution for all districts should have been received in November. Please let Jon Bowers know if this did not happen.

Sexting and Cyberbullying

Lia Meehan and Jenna Joseph from the Licking County Prosecutor's office presented a detailed overview of definitions, consequences and protocols for dealing with student sexting and cyberbullying in Licking County. Their Powerpoint presentation will be made available once LACA receives a copy from the presenters.

Student Services Update

Beth Petty from LACA presented a demo of the new Progress Book Virtual Classroom module. The beta version is free to try for the fourth nine weeks if anyone is interested. LACA can enable this in your instance of Progress Book. Beth is available to come on-site and do training on virtual classroom. Graduation Verification is a function that is already built into DASL. It requires setup on a district-by-district basis to define your requirements for graduation, but once it is set up and in place, it is a great time-saver. You can even track only parts of the requirements if you want, without using the full system (Fine Arts requirements only, for example).

Online Transcripts is another free aspect of DASL that your district can use. This sends an electronic transcript to Parchment.com, which partners with thousands of colleges and universities to transfer electronic transcripts. This free service can be done by your EMIS coordinator through the EMIS Data Collector.

Technical Services Update

Single Sign-On - Justin Post showed a demo of Classlink Launchpad, a single-sign in portal for students. Granville Exempted Village Schools makes use of this software to collect and save credentials for easy sign-in to multiple products. Another great feature is the ability to access files on a local server without the need for VPN. There are apps for Android and iPad as well as multiple web browsers. Ballpark pricing ranges from \$2.50 to \$7.0 per student per year. There was sufficient interest in the product, so LACA will further investigate a group purchasing price.

Annual AUP Reaccept – The annual AUP reaccept takes quite a bit of time from LACA staff as well as district technology coordinators, helping users reset passwords and get logged into the AUP website. Chad Carson proposed revising this policy from an annual reaccept at the beginning of each school year, to an “as-needed” reaccept, only when the policy changes. Local district policies can be reaccepted through the LACA AUP website independently of the LACA AUP, and this date can be changed as often as the district deems necessary. This change will not have any effect on local district policy reacceptance.

- 16-13 It was moved by Kevin Snyder and seconded by Jeff Cameron to recommend to the LACA Governing Board to change the annual acceptance of LACA’s Internet Acceptable Use Policy to an as-needed reacceptance when the AUP is revised. A unanimous vote of approval was taken.

Future LACATech Meeting Schedule

The next meeting on January 13, 2016 will be a Technology Only meeting.

FY16 LACATech Schedule - Below are the scheduled dates for the upcoming FY16 LACATech meetings.

Regular Meeting Dates

- January 13, 2016
- March 2, 2016 (This will be a combined technology/curriculum meeting)
- April 4, 2016

Topic-Based Meetings

- February 3, 2016
- April 6, 2016
- June 1, 2016

- 16-14 The meeting ended at 10:25am. It was moved by Kevin Snyder and seconded by Larry Smith to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous vote of approval was taken.

Reported by Chad Carson, Director of Technology, LACA