

MINUTES OF MEETING
ESU #13 ADMINISTRATIVE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, February 27, 2019
Regular meeting - 10:00 AM
DL Meeting locations:
ESU #13 -Scottsbluff; ESU #13 - Sidney;
CSC Miller Hall Rm. #309 Chadron
Dr. West hosted from Sidney

Present:

ESU #13 - Dr. Evelyn Browne, Bob Hastings, Charles Isom, Dr. Elizabeth Owens, Tim Cody, Kathy Urbanek, Laura Barrett, Jadie Beam, Dr. Katie Carrizales, Craig Hicks, Desira Martin, B.J. Peters, George Schlothauer, Paul Smith

Chadron - Kirk Hughes, Dr. Don King, Dr. Julie Downing

Sidney - Patrick Ningen, Dr. Paula Sissel, Chris Geary, Jay Ehler, Dr. Jeff West, Dr. Andrew Dick, Nici Johnson

Gordon-Rushville - Lori Liggett

Absent:

Dr. Troy Unzicker, Dr. Travis Miller, Chuck Lambert, Dr. Caroline Winchester, Tessa Fraass, Russell Lechtenberg, Joe Sherwood, Greg Brenner, Rick Myles, Dr. Brett Gies, Dr. Kim Dale, Ellen Dillon, Julia Newman, Paula Abbott, Danielle Cole

Guest: Bill Pulte - ESU #3

Welcome and Introductions: Welcome and introductions were made at each site.

Bill Pulte - ESU #3 - Student Data Privacy

The amount of data stored electronically about students, and the number of online applications students are accessing as part of their educational experience continues to grow. It is essential that school districts develop policies and procedures to protect themselves as well as the students in the buildings.

There are three federal acts that guide decision making around this topic:

1. Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA): Protects children from harmful content
2. Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA): Limits the ability of commercial companies to collect personal information from children under 13
3. Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA): Protects the privacy of student education records

NDE joined the Student Data Privacy Consortium on behalf of Nebraska schools. The Nebraska Student Privacy Alliance project includes members from ESU #3, ESU #13, NDE, ESUCC, LPS, and KSB Law. It is recommended that school districts decide whether a particular site's or service's information practices are appropriate, rather than delegating that decision to the teacher. Currently, this Alliance is vetting a state contract. School districts can then collect information on their contracts and put them into the database. It is the hope to "crowd source" so that school districts can see what applications have been approved by the state and other school districts.

Click here for the powerpoint and example of Student Privacy Alliance:

[Link to Slideshow
Nebraska Student Privacy Alliance](#)

Superintendent's Items for Discussion

Charles Isom introduced discussion regarding 403 (b) administration

Laura Barrett, ESU #13 - Medicaid in Public Schools

Laura gave information regarding the two cost pools: Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS) - direct providers, and Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) - screenings, paperwork. Previously for MIPS, it was only SLP, OT and PT that could be entered, however, now we can include nurses, mental health providers (LMHP) and licensed psychologists, personal care providers like paraprofessionals. It is very important to put providers on the participant list. The staff that provide direct services also need to be registered in Maximus. All but the paraprofessionals need to be entered into Maximus to capture the funds. If a school district contracts with us, they can get the provider information, including the NPI number, to ESU's SPED secretary, Stephanie Ryan, and she will get the provider registered into MAXIMUS.

Link to Laura's Powerpoint:

[MIPS Slides](#)

Jadie Beam, ESU #13 - K-3 Reading Improvement Act and Needs Visits

ESU #13's SOAR department is having a Regional Planning meeting for districts on March 25th at 9:00 AM. The meeting will be held in ESU's conference rooms B/C. This is for K-6 principals, Curriculum Specialists, Instructional Coaches, Title I teachers, reading teachers, special education directors, and special education teachers. The purpose of this meeting is to create regional documents for the Nebraska Reading Improvement Act K-3 Literacy.

The purpose of the meeting is to review the requirements of the bill, learn what assessments have been approved by NDE, recognize early identification, develop sample parent letters, develop individual reading improvement plans, create regional

letters and plans, gather resources for summer reading programs and gather resources for parent communication, and creating slide presentations for School Boards and staff.

[Link to information flyer](#)

Information regarding needs visits was given. Due to time constraints, needs visits will be done by DL. She will be emailing a Google Doc for time slots. If the district's superintendent would prefer it be in person, just let Jadie know.

Administrator's Report

Discussion was held regarding student enrollment count when parents remove student from school. How long does the school need to keep them on the enrollment? One legal opinion was obtained which is that the student needs to stay on the district's count until another school re-enrolls them. A suggestion of calling the state to see if another school has enrolled them was given.

Discussion regarding "opting" in or out of a district took place.

Several superintendents spoke of interest to have staff attend the KSB School Law Seminar - Student Discipline- on March 19th. ESU 13 staff will send registration email to the superintendent. It will be held at three locations: ESU #13, ESU #13 satellite office - Sidney and Chadron State College, Miller Hall.

Upcoming Advisory Council Meetings:

- No meeting in March
- April 10, 2019 - 10:00 AM - Hosted by Scottsbluff Public Schools- room number will be emailed at a later date

Director's Reports Reviewed

Additional comments not on reports:

Behavioral Health: In late May or early June, Stepping Up - Behavioral Health for Law Enforcement will be happening. This would be helpful for SROs.

Alternative Ed: Scottsbluff Public Schools will not be renewing their contract with VALTS for the 2021-22 school year. George will meet with other school districts.

Special Education: ESU 13 is hiring an MTSS facilitator.

TECH: B.J. reported that the e-rate filing window is coming to a close. We have assisted several districts in preparing applications for network hardware. He reported that although this is the final year for the e-rate hardware budget, there is indications that this category will be continued.

Introduction of Dr. Andrew Dick. He will begin as administrator for ESU #13 beginning June 3, 2019. He would like to meet with each superintendent individually to discuss district needs.

Meeting adjourned.
This ends the minutes for the meeting