

NETA Board Minutes
February 10, 2012
Louisville High School, Louisville, NE

The meeting was called to order by Renee Kopf at 10:04 a.m.

Those present: Rich Molettierre, Gregg Robke, Lenny VerMaas, Nicki Markut, Matt Lee, Lucas Bingham, Tom Rolfes, William Bolen, Sandy Blankenship, Renee Kopf, Dawn Prescott, Bob Goeman, Lynne Herr, Jason Rushing, Nicole Badgley, Josh Allen, Jane Davis, Lynne Behounek, Jason Everett, Dennis McIntyre, Jackie Ediger, and Mike Burns.

Those absent: Darci Lindgren

Motion made by Gregg Robke, seconded by Josh Allen to approve the minutes of the October meeting, all in favor, motion carried.

William Bolen made a motion to appoint Lynne Behounek as the new site coordinator. Seconded by Bob Goeman. An online meeting to vote between the dates of December 31 to January 31, 2012. Sixteen board members voted and all voted yes. Motion carried.

Sandy presented the executive director's report.

Rich Molettierre presented the treasurer's end of year report. Motion made by Jane Davis, seconded by Matt Lee to accept treasurer's report with noted corrections. All in favor, motion carried.

Tom Rolfes presented the executive liason report about e-rate funding and the current status of national legislation regarding No Child Left Behind. He also presented about the ESU Coordinating Council that will come forward with an initiative for learning and content management. Implications with Network Nebraska and bandwidth changes were shared, the Improving Teachers money could affect our Learning Web grant offerings.

Lynne Behouek presented her site coordinator's report. Alpha rentals will not be with us at NETA for video production. We are now working with the Embassy to find another solution.

Mike Burns presented the vendor coordinator's report. He has categorized the vendors that are signed up. About 25% of the vendors from last year are not here for this year. We are full for the vendor areas, but it was slower to fill. Several are online companies and some new companies are vending for the first time. We have four on the waiting list.

Lynne Herr presented the Contest Committee report. Most information will come after the judging. They have several issues that need to be discussed at retreat. Digital submission may be a new issue.

ETAN advocacy day is coming up and she will ask questions that came out of the Policies and

Procedures review. We will have an ETAN registration area to get people to join the database and help with feedback on legislation.

Lucas Bingham presented the Web Coordinator's report. The only major change was the shifting of responsibilities from Jason Everett to Lucas for the NewsGram and Big Deal Book emails. He also presented about the Disaster Recovery Workshop (112 are registered, 150 were budgeted for).

Bob Goeman presented the Conference Committee report. In general numbers, more than 50% of people who submit for presentations are accepted. 39 vendor sessions, 36 poster sessions, 12 playgrounds, 20 invited speakers, 2 pick your keynote presenters, assistive technology is loaded, 248 spots on the grid are filled. Something to think about for next year is to get vendors to host the rooms and equipment. We are eliminating the room host evaluation papers. We will continue the online conference evaluations, which give us more concrete information to use. The strands are completed.

Retail committee discussed the t-shirts, recounting who will receive them and if we need to change our size orders. We need to be wearing them to advertise them more.

The App Shoot Out idea was shared: demo in front of everyone and someone will win, two or three people get on stage to demonstrate the app shoot out format, and fast paced and informative.

The prize list of small things could be done a couple of ways. We could keep giving away at the end (all the smaller prizes). We could have them give them away in their booths. We could have all the vendors give away prizes at the end of the day at a set time, all at the same time.

Mike will approach vendor about projectors for rooms.

Lightspeed, audio for the library in the Marriott will check into this for next years' conference.

Skyped in to talk to Dennis McIntyre.

25th Anniversary committee discussion: decorations committee will meet with the Embassy staff at 4 p.m., the iPads are already approved for the giveaway, \$900 additional funds for a keynote giveaway and 2 kindle fires for the pick your own keynote session. Sixty-four gift cards to give way, we are looking for a way to give them out.

Past-presidents dinner will be really full. Only 2 or 3 will be unable to come. Mike also contacted presidents from NAIDS group and some of them are also able to come. Jason Rushing will do the ordering of the cupcakes and Lynne Behounek will talk with the Embassy about placement in the building.

Executive Director search discussion began. Do we need to continue with a part-time position,

or do we need someone more full-time because of other requests that come into the board as a repository for all thing technology for the state? The board worked to make a list of what they are looking for in a new executive position.

Committee meetings were held.

- No motions were submitted from the contest committee.
- **Motion 1 -William made a motion to accept Jane Davis' proposal to act as a fiscal agent for PowerSchool User group. Seconded by Nicole Badgley. Discussion. Amended by Jason Everett. William made a motion to accept Jane Davis' proposal for NETA to act as a fiscal agent for PowerSchool User group held on the Wednesday before the conference. Registration and all preparation and set up will be handled by the PowerSchool group. NETA will handle the fiscal responsibilities. Any revenue made goes into the NETA coffers. If they don't have enough registrations, the event will be cancelled. NETA already covers the cost of the room because we have all the rooms the day before. All in favor. Motion carried. A retreat discussion should be held about how much NETA will charge for our membership as they register for these events.**
- **Motion 2 - Jason made a motion to spend an additional \$900 on prize drawings for the keynote sessions. Seconded by William Bolen. Discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.**
- **Motion 3 - Lenny made a motion to make \$100 donation to the Louisville Scholarship Fund for use of building for meeting and contest judging. Seconded by Lynn Behounek. Discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.**
- **Lenny made a motion to accept Wayne Weins' proposal to act as a fiscal agent for the PowerSchool Academy this summer. Seconded by Jackie Ediger. Clarification of the two groups was held. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Policies & Procedures Committee reviewed the manual that has been commented on and revised. Board input was taken and revisions were made. Josh Allen moves to accept the NETA Policy & Procedures document updated 2/10/2012 as presented. Seconded by Gregg Robke. Discussion was held. Roll call vote: 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain, and 1 absent. Jason Rushing, Lynn Behounek and Dawn Prescott left at 3:30 to attend a meeting at the Embassy for conference business.

Gregg Robke moved to accept the proposed amendments to the NETA Constitution and Bylaws as proposed by the Governance Committee. Seconded by Jane Davis. We commend the committee for their hard work. Roll call vote: Nicki no, Lenny yes, Renee yes, Bob yes, Josh yes, Gregg yes, Jackie yes, Rich yes, Matt yes, Nicole yes, Jane yes, Jason yes, William yes. 12-1. Motion carried.

Google Summit information was shared. July 19th and 20th, 2012 at Southwest High School. Registration opens at 9 a.m. on February 14, 2012, \$199 for the registration. Registration will be done by NCSA. The President's Council approved that NETA's contribution to Google Summit would be advertising in newsletter, NewsGrams, and to announce at the conference. No money is requested, they are self-sustaining. It would show our support for this project. It could go out through the web site, as an email to the membership, put on the Facebook page,

and possibly as a slide in the opening session.

Conflict of Interest form checklist was looked over. We will discuss them at the April meeting. and we will sign them annually at the annual retreat.

Motion to adjourn by Josh Allen. Seconded by Jackie Ediger. All in favor. Motion carried.

Upcoming Dates:
April 25, 2012--Pre-Conference Meeting at noon
April 26-27, 2012 Conference
Retreat July 16-17-18, 2012