

CASE
CALET - Colorado Association of Leaders in Educational Technology
Board Meeting
September 14, 2009
Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Arlene Salyards, President
Keith Ouweneel, President-elect
Jim Abrahamsen
Denise Atkinson-Shorey
Dan Davis
Shelley Kooser
Connie Masson
Neil Schaal
Melissa Gibson, CASE Liaison

Opening

1. Call to order (Arlene Salyards)
2. Roll call (Salyards)
3. Salyards called for approval of agenda; CALET voted to approve

Consent Items

1. Salyards asked for approval of the following consent items:
 - a. April – August 2009 membership reports
 - b. Financial summaries
 - c. May 4, 2009 CALET meeting minutes
2. CALET voted to approve the consent items

Reports

1. Dan Davis, Aurora
 - Aurora in the process of conserving radio-based network to fiber
 - Refreshing servers
 - Converting to Microsoft
 - Moving to Internet 2
2. Jim Abrahamsen
 - Retired 2 weeks ago from Sheridan
 - Experimented with having 1 director for 2 districts
3. Connie Masson, St. Vrain
 - New director of instructional technology—Jo Breen
 - “Change, service, vision, and teamwork”—new mantra for department
 - New filter with less restrictions. Positive feedback from students.
 - Have new STEM focus high school within district.
 - Have “9 Teacher Who Cares” in district—will be televised this week
 - Looking at rolling out Google app’s for education with district
4. Andrew Wright, District 27J
 - Working on grant applications to be submitted within next few days
 - Working on I2
 - Possibly will launch online option for students
 - Looking at ways to roll out student email—looking for best practices
 - Conversation with directors about what’s worked/hasn’t worked

CASE Staff Liaison Report

- Membership
 - Difference between CALET and TLF: Technology Leadership Forum. TLF informally a group within CALET.
 - CALET the youngest department in CASE.
 - Arlene: need to involve members from other groups so that CALET can be advocate/voice
- **CASEY Award**
 - Jim: parent CASEY award shouldn't be forced every year. If have viable candidate; great. Otherwise don't need it.
 - Keith: what if we differentiated paid v. not-paid?
 - *Denise: seems like different awards have different levels of public importance. What is the criteria?*

eLearning Report (Denise Shorey)

- **Online professional development**
- 2 coming up this fall (John Canuel and Dan Morris); 21st Century Skills
- Need list of upcoming eLearning meetings
- Denise reviewed potential topics that she's suggested in the past

CoSN Report (Denise Shorey)

- CoSN board will be here in October; might want to do joint meeting with CoSN board and CALET
- Have a new awards piece—they have team award. Should consider moving Boulder Valley forward for recognition.
- CoSN has new website. Using Base Camp and threaded discussion. Want members to use 2.0 tools.
- Wondering if they should do tour for us? We could use it as a part of what CALET does.
- Consensus that need to take better advantage of CoSN membership
- Would like breakdown of income and expense items for Conference
- Denise moved to give CASE and CoSN: \$2K each; CALET approved.

EagleNET Update (Denise Shorey)

- Denise distributed document summarizing Broadband Infrastructure Grant Application
- Presented report to the Interim School Finance Committee—Committee might do resolution supporting it
- Believe application has passed Round One (three rounds total)
- 2,200 applications total.
- OIT will be prioritizing grants in Colorado.
- Arlene concerned that superintendents not up to speed on this issue. Wondering about EagleNET presenting to supt group to inform them.
 - John Hefty: believes this item could fit in the second day of the supt retreat.
 - Keith noted that we pay about 3 times more than other states for internet service; thinks interest would be great.

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- Perhaps show video clip of presentation
- John: Dale or Jack could raise issue at conference.

EDAC Report (Neil Schaal)

- Will submit annual report to General Assembly and State Board of Education.
- Noted that EDAC has ability to look at what CDE requires, but not other state dept's or from the federal level.

Revisit 2009-10 Goals (Arlene Salyards)

- CALET is still supportive of goals
- Look at better identifying what tech audits would look like—scope, etc. Need to establish fee. Need to be mindful of capacity issues—could be separate full-time job.
 - Will work on larger proposal.
- Provide more membership involvement
 - Tech audits (Dan and others taking the lead)
 - “Regional Show and tells”—like the idea (Keith in charge). Need to pick a date—possibly November 18? Need to coordinate with Mary McNeil to make sure it's consistent with other PD policies at CASE.
 - Keith: could tie into Supt Conference. Preview show and tell of technology in November with more at WLC.
 - Strengthen CoSN connections. (Denise to take lead)
 - Preconference—need to start planning (1/20/10). Denise has 3 speakers lined up. Discussion about possible site—Cable Center at DU? Denise to take lead. CoSN would be willing to do registration.

Future CALET meetings

- Consensus that Monday meetings are difficult
- New meeting dates: November 3, January 20 (Preconference), March 5, April 30

Executive Director Report (John Hefty)

- State budget prospects—uncertainty at this point. Guessing somewhere between 2% to 4% reduction in K-12 funding.
- PERA—2010 legislation that will make changes. Employees, employers, and retirees all expected to be affected. CASE part of coalition around issue—www.securepera.org.
- Signals and messages from the larger environment—state and federal level
 - State: aligned education system, transparency, choice and innovation
 - Federal: professional evaluation, turnaround schools, teacher and principal effectiveness
- Schaal provided update on status of ETIL plans. Issue with timing of approval in relation to funds.
 - Hefty requested a document summarizing the key points if CALET would like CASE to raise the issue with CDE.

Department Events Standards and Services

- Discussion around document. Draft only at this point; CASE would like member feedback.

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- Arlene: need to be aware of extra costs for CASE staff in planning future events.
- CALET members will review document and discuss at upcoming meeting.

Personnel Proficiency Reporting Requirements

- Neil and others to work on bullet points on this and other times

Membership

- Melissa to work with Arlene on points for inclusion in member letter

Meeting recessed at 2:30 p.m.