Education Telecommunications Council

Friday, June 17, 2016
Iowa Department of Education
B50 and various Zoom sites
Welcome and Roll-call

Gwen Nagel, Iowa Department of Education
ETC Chair
Approval of October Minutes

Gwen Nagel, Iowa Department of Education
ETC Chair
ICN Updates
Mark Dayton, Iowa Communications Network

- Limited time Video@LightSpeed upgrade offer
- Changes to video model
- New Services (Security Suite, Managed Voice Service, TAC)
E-Rate update

Pam Jacobs, Iowa E-rate Coordinator is unable to join us today. I will provide the slides that she had prepared for her presentation after the meeting, and you can send any questions that you have either to Pam directly pam.Jacobs@iowa.gov or I would be happy to forward those if you would like to send them to me angi.hillers@iowa.gov.
ETC/RTC Survey Results summary

- Difficulty in filling RTC vacancies, getting committed members
- 50% of respondents have weekly contact with K-12 schools; 20% only have occasional contact
- Only 50% of respondents contact K-12 Tech Directors in their area
- Q5: Are schools in your area utilizing ICN services other than MPEG video sites or Video at Light Speed (V@LS) IP service?
  - 100% Internet
  - 90% Data
  - 60% Voice
ETC/RTC Survey Results summary continued

- Q8: Should the ETC and RTCs help recommend alternate technology options for schools?
  - 82% Yes

- Q9: What alternative video technology are schools in your area using?
  - 100% Zoom
  - 60% Adobe Connect
  - 50% Blackboard Collaborate
Q1 & 6: How can the ETC and RTCs help schools & libraries with technology needs/distance learning opportunities?

- Most common item mentioned was explore/advocate/provide increased bandwidth
- ETC/RTC model/demonstrate/inform regarding existing and new technology
- Ensure adequate & equitable infrastructure exists
- Also mentioned, become a resource in developing and/or locating technology needs at an affordable price; professional development, sponsor student and staff learning activities, provide programming
751 Administrative Rules Discussion

For Questions Contact:
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Lori Larsen (ICN): lori.larsen@iowa.gov
Overview

- Administrative Rules: Chapter 751
- Administrative Rules apply to Educational users
- Designed around MPEG video technology & equipment
- Reevaluate rule language & purpose
‘Full Motion’ Verbiage

- 751–7.7(8D) Use or access to full motion interactive video services
  - Modify ‘full motion’ language

https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/iac/rule/12-17-2008.751.7.7.pdf
Scheduling and Site Usage

- 751–8.2(8D) Role of education telecommunications council
  - Responsible for establishing scheduling and site usage
  - Conflict resolution policies
    - Transitioning to a new scheduling web-based platform on July 1
      - Webinars: May 24 and June 14
    - Scheduling functionality changes

Hours of Operation & Site Fee

751–14.3(8D) Hours of operation

- Support access and facilities use Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

751–13.1(1)(8D) Site fee.

- The hourly charge for a site may be up to $12.50 per hour for use of a classroom for interactive video transmission.

Action:

ICN requesting feedback/recommendation from ETC

Recommended Funding Request for RTC Support for FY 2018

FY2017 Appropriation $992,913 (same as FY2016)
SF 2323:
The regional telecommunications councils established pursuant to section 8D.5, subsection 2, shall use the moneys appropriated in this subsection to provide technical assistance for network classrooms, planning and troubleshooting for local area networks, scheduling of video sites, and other related support activities.

Moneys appropriated in this subsection shall be distributed by the department to the regional telecommunications councils based upon usage by region.

Base rate for FY2017 $50,000
RTC Funding Plan and Guidelines for FY 2017

SF2323:

*The regional telecommunications councils established in section 8D.5 shall use the moneys appropriated in this section to provide coordination of technical assistance for network classrooms, planning and troubleshooting for local area networks, scheduling of video sites and other related support activities.*

Further guidance from the DE for FY 2016:

Funds within the plan may be allocated for staff support and equipment/software purchases that support long-term region-wide needs. For example: LAN/WAN support, scheduling hardware, regional loaner parts depot for ICN video classroom and/or Internet service, diagnostic hardware/software used for troubleshooting ICN video classrooms and/or local area networks, research services to assist schools in finding technology solutions, installation, troubleshooting assistance, training schools on technical topics, school technology planning, and wireless networking assistance.
## RTC Funding Allocations FY 2017

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Approval of 2017 ICN Educational Video Scheduling Deadlines

- **SPRING SEMESTER 2017 - January 1-June 2, 2017**
  - End users enter requests into VOSS OR submit requests (including temporary “no transmits” for K-12) to their regional scheduler by Fri., August 12, 2016
  - Regional schedulers process (accepts) requests from their end users by Fri., August 19, 2016
  - Regional schedulers must respond to ALL requests by committing or rejecting sites by Tues., September 6, 2016
  - RTC conflict resolution(s) completed by Mon., September 19, 2016
  - Spring in-advance scheduling requests are committed by Mon., September 26, 2016
  - K-12/AEA 8:00am-3:00pm flexibility extended until Wed., November 9, 2016
  - (K-12/AEA Temporary “No Transmits” are removed from VOSS)

- **SUMMER SEMESTER 2017 - June 5-August 18, 2017**
  - End users enter requests into VOSS OR submit requests to their regional scheduler by Fri., January 6, 2017
  - Regional schedulers process (accepts) requests from their end users by Fri., January 13, 2017
  - Regional schedulers must respond to ALL requests by committing or rejecting sites by Fri., January 20, 2017
  - RTC conflict resolution(s) completed by Fri., February 3, 2017
  - Summer in-advance scheduling requests are committed by Mon., February 13, 2017

- **FALL SEMESTER 2017 - August 21-December 31, 2017**
  - End users enter requests into VOSS OR submit requests (including temporary “no transmits” for K-12) to their regional scheduler by Fri., February 24, 2017
  - Regional schedulers process (accepts) requests from their end users by Fri., March 10, 2017
  - Regional schedulers must respond to ALL requests by committing or rejecting sites by Fri., March 17, 2017
  - RTC conflict resolution(s) completed by Fri., March 31, 2017
  - Fall in-advance scheduling requests are committed by Mon., April 10, 2017
  - K-12/AEA 8:00am-3:00pm flexibility extended until Mon., June 12, 2017
  - (K-12/AEA Temporary “No Transmits” are removed from VOSS)
State Digital Learning Plan update
Gwen Nagel, Iowa Department of Education
ETC Vacancies

- ISEA - both positions vacant
- IASB - one vacancy
- DE - Iowa association of nonpublic school administrators representative
- SAI - one position will become vacant as Carol Montz is retiring
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Hand-off to new ETC Chair

Ellen Kabat-Lensch, Iowa Association of Community College Trustees
Election of New ETC Chair-Elect

Will serve as Chair-Elect for 1 year on the ETC Executive Council, then takeover as ETC Chair in spring 2017.
Upcoming RTC Deadlines

- FY2016 Annual Report Form Due July 31, 2016
- FY2017 Regional Support Services Budget Due September 1, 2016
Adjournment