LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Meeting – July 9, 2012

Present: Brian Halstead, Betty VanDeventer, Scott Swisher, Roger Breed, Valorie Foy, Diane Stuehmer, Joel Scherling, Mary Ann Losh, Melody Hobson, Frieda Lange, Sharon Katt, Donlynn Rice, Russ Inbody, Sameano Porchea, Mark Schultz, Margaret Worth

1. Dr. Breed welcomed Valorie Foy, Assessment Team Leader.

2. Dr. Breed thanked the LC for input into the Administrators’ Days message. This is an important opportunity to the start of the school year and our efforts payoff great dividends.

3. ESU Strategic Planning Dates

   Freida Lange reminded members of the meeting with ESUs at ESU 10 at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday evening, July 24. Asked for input for that meeting and what ESUs might expect in the year ahead.

   Two meetings required under Rule 84. The first will be September 11 at ESU 3 in La Vista. This will be an opportunity to begin systems thinking on how to work with NDE, Districts and ESUs.

   October 22 – ESUCC and Rule 84 requirement for 2 meetings each year to coordinate statewide initiatives (Lincoln)

4. Discussion of Educational Technology Center – Brent Gaswick, Su Ann Witt

   Brent Gaswick presented a possible reorganization of the Technology Team and an opportunity for all to think differently about this team. The goal would be to increase the Team’s role to make NDE work as well as better service to schools and districts. Right now, schools are way ahead of NDE in technology use and integration. It should be our goal (need) to catch up and become the educators.

5. SLDS Grant - Sameano Porchea

   Review goals for SLDS grant. Need for development of a data dictionary for consistency and integration.

6. Getting the Good News Out About Nebraska Schools – reminder to keep Betty informed of schools successes

7. All Staff Meeting
   ● Science Cut scores - Valorie
   ● Budget process - Russ
   ● New Insurance Plan - Joel
   ● Administrators Days - Scott
   ● Pay increases effective July 1 - Joel
• Gap Audit – Joel
• Review State Board Meeting actions

Possible topics for future Staff meetings:
• Ben Baumfalk & Matt Heusman to present on data
• Consideration of the education technology center

8. Sequestration

Diane Stuehmer asked for clarification on sequestration and discussed GANS.

9. Scott Swisher will be on Jury Duty in August.