Leadership Council Meeting
May 3, 2013

Joel Scherling, Brian Halstead, Freida Lange, Betty VanDeventer, Brent Gaswick, Diane Stuehmer, Sharon Katt, Margaret Worth, Mark Schultz, Melody Hobson, Mary Ann Losh, Gary Sherman, Roger Breed, Dean Folkers, Donlynn Rice, Scott Swisher, Valorie Foy; Russ Inbody

Melody Hobson provided an update on LB 507.

1. Brian Halstead – Legislative Review
   Brian reviewed the status of legislative bills. Legislative Summary document is attached.

2. Brent Gaswick - Travel Internet Pilot
   The NEaT Team purchased Wi Fi Hotspots to check out when travelling. This is to help in lowering costs charged by hotels for internet connection. See Brent Gaswick for reserving and guidelines for use.

3. Brian Halstead - LC Commissioner Recognition Event
   Brian asked that all LCs check in with Brian for details and planning a farewell for Dr. Breed.

4. Margaret Worth - Commissioner Search Update
   The Board Search Committee identified 3 firms to present to the full Board on Monday, May 6. The Board will select and announce the firm at the business meeting on Tuesday, May 7.

   Margaret also advised that Dave Rasmussen will be out on medical until May 13. Please note extra time may be needed in reviewing contracts.

5. Dean Folkers - Data Conference
   Thanked everyone for participation and contribution to the success of the Data Conference. Excellent conference, over 450 participants, received positive feedback from participants. An AAR will be scheduled to provide feedback in planning for 2014.

6. Dean Folkers - Evaluation Review Process Update
   Administrative Memorandum is an evaluation review piece which continues moving down the path to completion.

7. Dean Folkers - Data Coordinators and Program Owners
   Continue to clarify expectations and deadline setting. DEAN

8. Dean Folkers - Due Dates and Data Changes (Audit Window Process)
   Dues dates and audit windows.

9. Dean Folkers - SOSR and DRS
   The Cross Team to look at what goes in the State Report Card has been revamped. Continue looking for a system to track all processes.
10. Roger Breed - Super Day
Dr. Breed announced that May 22 will be the next Super Day for staff. The topic will be NePAS and LB 438. The next Super Day will be June 19 and the topics are SLDS and other DATA efforts.

11. Roger Breed - Electronic Employee Appraisal System
Dr. Breed reminded LCs to focus and emphasize completing appraisals for employees. It is important for everyone to be on board in completing this process.

12. Donlynn Rice - Update on Teacher/Principal Evaluation
Donlynn provided updates on the Teacher/Principal Evaluation process.

13. Good News Out on Public Education

14. Diane Stuehmer - Equitable Services Implementation Plan (EMSP)
Federal Funded programs will be covered by conference calls.

15. Diane Stuehmer - NDE State/federal GMS Requirement/Guidance Updates
Diane is in the process of finalizing documents.

16. Topics for the All Staff Meeting include:
   • Legislation Update
   • Appraisal System
   • Administrator Days
   • Super Day
   • Budget Progress Report
   • Open Enrollment
   • Commissioner Update
   • John Moon – doctorate

17. NeSA Writing – Valorie Foy
Valorie shared formatting problems with the NeSA writing test. Formatting was not graded but formatting issues were highlighted. Scores will be released noting formatting issues were detected.

18. Melody Hobson - Early Childhood Research
Melody reported on the annual state of preschool report. Nebraska ranks 4 in serving 3 year olds; 40th in support from state and local funding.

19. Brent Gaswick - Technology Advisory Committee
Brent reported that the Technology Advisory Committee has been revived.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.