

**Technology Advisory Committee  
Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology  
September 3, 2015**

**Attendance**

Bill Fearigo	Barberton City Schools	Matt Gdovin	NEOnet
Michele Gasser	Barbeton City Schools	Chris Zolla	NEOnet
Lance Green	Copley-Fairlawn City Schools	Marie Schmidt	NEOnet
Kelly Kendrick	Coventry Local Schools	Tim Tracy	NEOnet
Jim Marras	Cuyahoga Falls City Schools	Kim Fassnacht	NEOnet
Courtney Baliman	Kent City Schools	Jen Mertes	NEOnet
Jennifer Milnes	Maplewood Career Center		
Scott Ross	Manchester City Schools		
Denise Valerio	Medina ESC		
Kyle Livengood	Nordonia Hills City Schools		
Angie Wagler	Norton City Schools		
David Mog	Richmond Heights City Schools		
Dustin Boswell	Springfield Local Schools		
Tom Jansen	Summit ESC		
Kurt Gwin	Tallmadge City Schools		
Matt McGing	Twinsburg City Schools		
Phil Luthman	Wadsworth City Schools		
Eric Unangst	Woodridge Local Schools		

**Items Discussed****Welcome****NEOnet Update**

- **DASL Performance**-Chris Zolla discussed the following issues regarding DASL
  - The technical team is looking into the issues and trying to resolve what the root cause is and how to alleviate it.
  - It has been determined that memory is not an issue
  - A hot fix is coming but no release date has been issued
  - DASL will be moving into a cloud environment so hopefully this will alleviate some issues
  - All ITC's are having the same issues
  - Chris will send out weekly updates regarding the issues related to fixing DASL
- **Student Service Initiatives**-Chris Zolla updated that DASL and Progress Book will move into a cloud based environment
  - Service Level should increase by moving into cloud

**NEOnet Network**

- **Firewall Upgrade**- the number of connections can be doubled with increase firewall, negotiations are underway for larger firewall (to implement next summer)
- **Core Swtich Upgrade**-was bought in June and put in at the DR site, will need to put in place at NEOnet.
- **Video Initiatives**-Sessions can now be video enabled and recorded.
  - A user can join a meeting from any device
- **Call Manager**-I manage is not ready yet
  - IMing can be provided if needed
  - LDAP Integration is coming (phone number must be associated with active directory)
- **Exchange 2013 Upgrade**
  - no major issues with upgrade

- users are notified if there is a compromised email user
- **Prime Wireless Admin Training**
  - Talk to Ben Claussen if interested in this training
- **Arbor DDOS appliances**-Blockers will be turned back on, will be upgraded on Wednesday

**E-Tech (Mike Edwards)**

- Release for K12 subsidy is 10/5
- Lori Germann (State E-Rate Coordinator) is working for Ohio Collaborative Services
- The conference will be February 9-11 in Columbus
- A focus group will take place on 10/9 at the State Library from 9:30-4:00pm

**Next Technology Meeting**

The next Technology Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2015

## **Items Discussed**

### **Welcome**

The minutes from the December 4, 2014 meeting will be available on the NEOnet website. The January meeting was cancelled due to weather.

Officers for 2015-2016 will be nominated at the April meeting.

### **NEOnet Update**

- January BOD meeting Update – the Board met on January 13 and discussed the following topics:
  - MCOECN Code of Conduct – NEOnet will be sending marketing materials to districts outside the consortium.
  - The E-rate lawyers are reviewing all new contracts and quotes will be sent out in response to 470s. ISP pricing has not changed.
  - The NEOnet by-laws are being reviewed. The BOD will make a recommendation for any changes to be addressed at the May assembly meeting.
  - New NEOnet employees – Tamra Dugan - library, who replaces Jeanne Steele when she retires and Kay Makishi – payroll shared services. An EMIS/Student Services position is posted on the NEOnet website.
  - The finance committee will meet on February 24 to discuss the 3 year forecast, healthcare benefits and building renovations.
  - Shared Services – NEOnet will be holding two meetings regarding EMIS and Payroll shared services.

### **PARCC Readiness**

- Consortium PARCC Meeting Review – issues were discussed.
- Proctor Caching – Chris Zolla sent an email to the group regarding local proctor caching provided by NEOnet.
- Load Testing review – load testing results were discussed.

### **NEOnet Spring Program**

This program provides participants with spare switches while theirs are being replaced/fixed. If 10 districts participate, the cost will be \$2,800 per district. Contact Marie Schmidt at [Schmidt@neonet.org](mailto:Schmidt@neonet.org) if interested in participating.

### **Online Registration**

NEOnet is working with 3 vendors for proposals. Waiting for more information and pricing.

- Registration Gateway – can push information back into DASL
- Infosnap – may also be able to push information back into DASL
- Job Router (ComDoc) – NEOnet has several districts using this vendor.

### **Lightspeed Update**

- Design and progress update – an update on the Lightspeed upgrade was given. The DR site will be set up soon.
- Proxy and Mobile devices – the proxy has a few drawbacks when doing mobile filtering off site. If a machine gets corrupted, it may cause site blocks for everyone. Districts can install their own Lightspeed box (\$2,500 for under 5,000 clients) to

maintain own identity and own proxy. This affects Chromebook, MacBook and iPad only. Contact Chris Zolla at [zolla@neonet.org](mailto:zolla@neonet.org) for more information.

### **NEOnet Network**

- Linux Ghost vulnerability – Chris Zolla sent an email to the group regarding this issue.
- EmpowerID Retirement Feb. 27 – if anyone still needs training or documentation for ManageEngine, contact Marie Schmidt at [Schmidt@neonet.org](mailto:Schmidt@neonet.org) .

### **e-Tech/ODE – Mike Edwards**

- K-12 Update on spending guidelines - \$1,800 for devices/per building. You do not have to spend the money in a particular building – a group of devices can be shared among buildings.
- State Technology Coordinator meeting on Wednesday during OETC. The session will be from 11am – 1 pm with time to break out into small discussion groups.

### **Next Technology Meeting**

The next Technology Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled to be held March 5, 2015.