

Minutes of the Colorado SASIxp Users Group Steering Committee Meeting

October 10, 2005

9:00 a.m.

Adams County School District #12 Administration Building

Meeting called by:

Jim Anderson @ 9:00 am

Attendees:

Adams 12, Wes Kopp

Windsor, Patrick Mount

Denver Public Schools, Jim Anderson

CIC, Kathy Green

Douglas County, Sheryl Shipton

Douglas County, Janece Rogers

Brighton 27J, Ann Godfrey

Adams 14, Brian Fuller

Aurora, Patty Roundy

Adams 12, Linda Hayes

Boulder, Jackie Twehues

Wray, TC Travis

Delta, LaDonna Colman

Thompson Valley, Geordy Kerscher

Pearson, Mark Richardson

Fforg, Inc, Don Groff

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Business Meeting:

- CSUG Conference Registration Forms were reviewed. A box for users to designate their expertise (Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced) was added. On-line Registration Forms for the conference are complete and can be completed on-line, printed, and sent to Ann Godfrey. We will have a different, two page form for presenters, which will include a place for the session description.
- Conference Location is the Radisson Hotel at I225 and Parker Rd. Room rates are \$79.00 per night. Patrick reported that the meal rates are cheaper also. The hotel layout was discussed. Session will be split up geographically for each of the student information systems. There was discussion on where to place the vendors and the bullpen. Vendor presentations will occupy a session room.
- Attendees broke into SIS groups to finalize the session topics and scheduling. A preliminary schedule was developed.

District Sharing:

- Windsor – 2nd year of using elementary academic grading
- CIC – Working on State Reporting on IC. Also had 3 days of internal training, which helped immensely.
- Adams 14 – Implementation of ILP data in IC
- Adams 12 – SASI Version 6.142 running smoothly. IT department is reorganizing now that Dick Barkey has retired and Janine Saulino is working in Project Management. 2 schools on IGPro Server, which is going well.
- Pearson – Reminder of the National User’s Conference from November 2-4 in Florida
- Douglas County – Coasting on SASI. Will go live on IC April 3, 2006. Looking for FTE to do feeder enrollment.
- Thompson – SASI Version 6.2.3. Change to Novell t.5 sp3 has caused problems with upload. Not clearing mapped drives. Running a batch file has fixed the problem.
- Denver – Up and running on IC for 3 months. Working on cleaning up “Households”. DPS has spent \$120,000 on temporary help to clean up this data. They are way behind in using messenger and the parent portal because of the household data. The IC Updater ran automatically on Wednesday, Oct 5th at 2:30 pm and changed production copy instead of development. Problems were created. DPS is unhappy with the updater process. Special Ed is under development in IC and is almost complete. Will implement in full 2nd semester. Using Reporting Services for October Count. This process seems to be working. The Grade Book is fully implemented in every secondary school. Working on District DPS report card, which will hopefully be complete by semester grading period. Also working on the transcript – not as much information as they are used to seeing.
- Aurora – On 4th conversion with IC. Checking and testing. Trying to deal with conversion of Elementary Academic Grading. Will go live on IC October 31 for elementary schools and on November 29 for secondary schools. Working with IC Training Department on flow charts and wording changes (to Aurora’s). Will be a lot of cleanup in Households.
- Boulder – On IC since February 7, 2005. Working on Grading Task and cleanup of household data as well as standards-based report cards for elementary schools. Also retraining/reviewing sessions for most staff. BVSD has referendum in Nov election for transportation funding and IT hardware replacement – hopefully will pass so they can deal with issues caused by insufficient bandwidth. Centralized Enrollment for 2006-07 school year – discussing whether to have 1 or more sites for enrollment. Want to have one stop shopping for enrollment other than scheduling. DPS said they use quadrants.
- Fforg, Inc – Partner for IC in Georgia. Adding staff and trainers. CIC is IC Channel Partner for remaining schools in Colorado who have not yet or may change to IC.
- Delta – Power School is working well. They are working on standards-based report cards. October Count works smoothly in Power School. An export template has been created. Parent Portal works well – amazed at how much use from parents. They kiosks in libraries and school buildings for parent use also. When implementing Parent Portal gave pamphlets to parents – also the system clears out passwords automatically at the end of the school year so parents must set up new passwords each year.

The next meeting will be Monday, November 14th at Adams 12.

Patty Fry was elected as a Board Member.