Network Advisory Committee

Present:
Lisa Smith, ACCESS
Dale Santangelo, ACCESS
Nate Aldrich, East Liverpool
Joe Warchol, Columbiana ESC
Phil James, CCCTC

Absent:
Rich Denamen, ACCESS Board
John Hopkinson, Youngstown City
Kevin Stoklosa, Struthers City (MCESC/Lowellville)

NAC Membership
Membership terms were assigned by random drawing. Dale Santangelo drew for Kevin Stoklosa and Lisa Smith drew for John Hopkinson in their absence.

Columbiana County Schools - representation
Phil James   expiration September 2009
Nate Aldrich   expiration August 2010
Joe Warchol   expiration August 2011

Mahoning County Schools - representation
Kevin Stoklosa   expiration September 2009
John Hopkinson   expiration August 2010
Vacancy   expiration August 2011

Seats expiring September 2009 will be open for appointment, as well as the vacant position in Mahoning County. Phil James indicated he would like his name placed in nomination. An email to the Technology Coordinator distribution list seeking nominations for the vacant and vacating positions will go out. Once nominations are closed, districts will each have one vote to select their representative. The ballot will be distributed via an on-line survey tool.

The committee reviewed the 09-10 District Representative list compiled by Lisa Smith. The Tech Reps listed therein will be receiving the ballot on behalf of their district.

Marshal8e6 Internet Filter
The ACCESS Board of Directors approved the purchase of the new Marshal8e6 Internet Filter. This filter is now in production. As a result, the NAC reviewed the Database Categories associated with the filter and determined the policy to be used as the "Global Policy" for ACCESS. This policy, indicating PASS (previously ALLOW) and BLOCK, will be submitted to the ACCESS Board for adoption. All non-Delegated Administration districts will follow the Global Policy. All districts choosing to accept Delegated Administration will start with this Global Policy.

Three areas yet to discuss with Marshal8e6 for clarification for proper tagging are:
Streaming Media
Domain Landing
Reviewed & Miscellaneous

A training session will be set-up for Delegated Administrators, and anyone else interested, in learning more about the Marshal8e6 filter. The initial session will be web-based (Webinar).

Enterprise Reporter
ACCESS also purchased the Enterprise Reporter from Marshal. This reporter works in conjunction with the Marshal8e6 Filter, recording information on daily use of the filter, by IP or user login. More information will be shared about this product in the future. The ER will also be able to be utilized by districts to generate reports on their traffic patterns, etc.

LDAP/Active Directory
Dale Santangelo shared ACCESS' intention of using LDAP/Active Directory (AD) for the staff in conjunction with the Marshal8e6 Filter Appliance. This new filter appliance provides for districts to be able to use Active Directory to create groups and individual policies as needed.

ACCESS intends to use Active Directory with WebVPN authentication and is currently working on setting up the VPN process to look at the Active Directory used with Exchange toward migrating to single sign-on for our users.

Password Expiration
The committee discussed password expirations on accounts. Dale Santangelo shared that by using a script, users will receive a reminder starting email will be sent to users as a reminder (daily) until their password is changed – starting at approximately 14 days before.

The next meeting for the NAC will most likely be in September 2009. Meeting time and location are yet to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned.