INFOhio

Distance Learning & Course Catalog Registration System

Focus Group Meeting – January 19, 2023

Project Updates -

Project Plan Status – Integration with district systems, course funding alternatives, evaluation of existing solutions.

Project Communications – User Focus Group, INFOhio Staff, ODE, CCSO, Leading for Learning, OETC. In addition, we mentioned recruiting school district representatives to the Focus Group. Paul Hieronymus asked about inviting the University of Akron to participate. Erica, Matt, and I discussed this after the meeting. We would like to recruit individuals from school districts that would be consumers of courses on the platform.

Frequently Asked Questions – Draft FAQ document shared with the group to review. There was a discussion regarding the review of this document related to funding of courses. The question was,

"Will providers be required to change to foundation payments if they are already using POs for service."

That is not the intent, we will keep this in mind as the project proceeds.

Other Discussion Items?

There was a question about discussing this project specifically at the OETC conference. Focus group members should discuss the project. I offered to share a PowerPoint that I have been using as I talk about the project.

There was a question about a name for the project. We have not yet come up with a name or a better acronym for this project. We are still searching...

There was a question about the entities that would receive the request for information document. We reviewed the list of ten vendors identified to date.

Next Meeting February 16th during OETC - March 2nd as an alternative date

We have rescheduled the February meeting due to the OETC conference. There was an offer to use the Ohio DLA room for the meeting after regular sessions had ended. Given the timing of receiving responses to our request for information a March 2nd date would be more productive.