

VDC MEETING
September 14, 2006
1:00-3:00
At Central Vermont
Chamber of Commerce
Berlin, VT
vermontdata.org

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Minutes

1. Welcome, attendance

2. Accept August 10 minutes

- Minutes accepted.

3. Treasurer's Report

- Partnership with LAPDA is in transition.
- Health Insurance for employees thru VEHI is being pursued.
- LAPDA will be fiscal agent by 2nd quarter.
- Johns and Brian will be direct employees October 1.

4. Staff Report

- Updates to warehouse are complete.
- Additional functions and data, including NECAP, have been added.
- Integrated data models (EDW combined with local warehouse) are now available.
- John Ferrara handed out a sample form for updating EDW user accounts.
- Official project with Tetra Data has two weeks remaining; after that, maintenance mode.
- Classroom Analyzer training and piloting is underway.
- Classroom Analyzer is only for district use, because connection of student to teacher is needed.
- Districts will be able to request Class Analyzer with the local warehouses.
- Pubic Portals and Dynamic Reports are in process, and will be rolled out later.
- Training is being coordinated by George Rynak.
- Refresher and regular training is being offered.
- George would like input for organizing regional user groups.
- Contact George for help with local data.
- The new server at VDC will be used for a Knowledge Base that can be searched to get answers and to report issues.
- George is planning a Train-the-Trainer for the end of October, and is looking for a location.

5. VDC Positions Update.

- Bryant is leaving.
- Doug Holcombe has resigned.
- There 2 open positions, Data Technician, and Data Analyst.
- New Data Analyst position will provide site based support at local level.
- About a dozen applicants have applied already.
- Interviews will be conducted the end of September.

6. Update on Local Warehouses

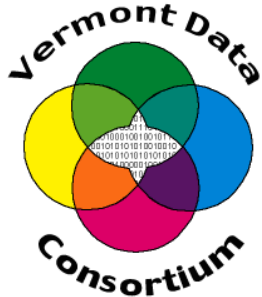
- 6 SU's have local warehouses.
- VDC is willing to work with more SU's to gather and load their data.
- After districts get over the initial hump, the process to load local data gets easier.
- Denise distributed 3 hand-outs: Help system for the EDW State Data Model, Changes in EDW Data and Functionality, Protocol for Submitting Student Census Data Revisions.

7. Using local and state data to improve instruction

- John Ferrara demonstrated new features in warehouse.
- NECAP data was queried.
- All were encouraged to use Shared Templates in folder named 'Templates- EDW' as starters for queries.
- Explanatory notes are included with the templates.
- Help can be viewed by clicking on an Object and selecting Properties.
- Some old favorites won't work because of changes to attributes.
- There was discussion about potential problems with universal access to creating shared favorites.
- Ideas for a policy on restricting shared template access will be brought to the next meeting.
- In accordance with FERPA, schools have drill through access to students history in any organization; schools can drill through on students who leave their school but stay in district; schools can drill through on NECAP data for students in their next year's testing school.

8. Agenda and location of October Meeting

- Date: Thursday, October 5
- Tentative Location: Dean Center, Springfield VT



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Attendance

	VDC SU	Directors	Directors Present	Exec. Comm. Present	Other Rep(s) Present
1	Addison Central	Patricia Aigner, Co-President			
2	Addison NE	Lauren Parren			
3	Addison NW	Bob Owens, member-at-large		X	
4	Caledonia North	Michelle Kantor	X		
5	Chittenden East	Steve Jarrett			
6	Chittenden South	Jude Newman	X		
7	Essex Caledonia	Steve Sanborn			
8	Franklin Central	Diane Lemieux,			
9	Franklin NE	Robert Gervais	X		
10	Franklin NW	George Raynak	X		
11	Lamoille North	Terry Bailey			
12	Lamoille South	Bill Kimball, President		X	
13	Orange East	W. Harvey	X		
14	Orange North	Todd Ponto, Treasurer		X	
15	Orange SW	Brent Kay			
16	Orange Windsor	David Webb	X		
17	Orleans Central	Jeffrey Everitt			
18	Orleans ENSU	Richard Smith/Jeff Everitt			
18	Orleans SWSU	Jeffrey Everitt			
19	Rivendell	Hank Plaisted, member at large			
20	Rutland SW	Chip Baldwin			
21	St. Johnsbury	Rick Mallon	X		
22	South Burlington	Steve Webster			
24	Southwest VT	Jim Boutin			
25	Springfield	Doug Holcomb			
26	Washington Central	Jeff Arey	X		
27	Washington South	Brucie Donahue	X		
28	Washington West	Aria Benjamin	X		
29	Windham Central	Jil MacMenamin	X		
30	Windham NE	Chris Kibbe, member-at-large		X	
31	Windham SE	Paul Smith/JE			
32	Windham SW	Curtis Carroll			
33	Windsor SW	Linda Waite/			
		# Directors present:			

Partner	Rep	Present
DOE	Denise Sanders	X
VDC	John Ferrara	X
VDC	Brian O'Reagan	X
Tetra	Sandy.Donnie,Leslie	