

NET+ BPLAC Meeting Summary

April 14, 2021

Attendees: Matt D'Emilio, Bobby Clark, Emma Levett, Carrie Shumaker, Lester Greenman, Marra Austin, Joe Holewa, Kevin Morooney, Sean O'Brien, Tara Gyenis, Sue Gavazzi, John Krienke, Loren Malm

- Joe expressed that fluctuations in [IPEDs numbers](#) due to student enrollment deferrals are impacting annual software costs. An idea of proposing a 4-year rolling average count to vendors was discussed. Challenges with internal chargeback fees for current enrollment, based on IPEDs count from previous semesters (or possibly a 4-year average) is a consideration for some institutions.
- Carrie brought forth a proposal for BPLAC to host a workshop with [CSG schools](#) to discuss cloud licensing issues. A [draft survey](#) was shared. There is potential for a collaborative approach with NET+ [CSTAAC](#).
- Loren Malm was welcomed to the committee as liaison to the [NET+ Program Advisory Group](#).
- Sean shared [a presentation](#) for CSTAAC from their Cloud Storage Working Group on service provider changes to cloud storage limits. BPLAC members are invited to take and share [the survey](#) for input to the working group. He also shared a recent conversation with Google on their changes in storage limits under Workspace for Education (formerly G Suite) and the impact to research institutions.
- Tara Gyenis joined us to present on the process that NET+ uses for intake and evaluation of vendors for potential new services. Her presentation, including a slide with NET+ resources, is attached. As a result of feedback from the meeting, a [list of opportunities to participate](#) in NET+ groups is now available.
- Goals from 2020 were voted to carry forward to 2021. The committee will finalize on the [proposed 2021 deliverables](#) at the May meeting. A survey to rank the proposals will be sent later this month.