NET+ BPLAC Meeting Summary

January 12, 2022

Attendees: Loren Malm, Bobby Clark, Carrie Shumaker, Lester Greenman, Berni Kenney, Sue Gavazzi, Tara Gyenis, John Krienke, Kevin Morooney

- Members approved the December 2021 Summary notes with no changes.
- On behalf of Sean, Bobby introduced the topic of NET+ services awareness through professional organizations such as NAEP, NACUA, and NACUBO. Members noted their institutions' participation in these organizations is varied but provide potential opportunities for building community. An idea for NET+ to host confidential, topical small-group conversations was introduced with positive feedback from the committee. Members also discussed their RFP processes and noted the variations in responsibility/authority of staff with roles in IT, Procurement, and Vendor Management.
- Bobby led a discussion on challenges for the spring semester due to the pandemic. Themes discussed included choices for virtual versus in-person instruction, potential long-term health effects on students' learning, admission application trends, and the tension between remote work options and local IT employee markets.
- Tara provided a status update on the NET+ service satisfaction surveys currently being conducted. Members are encouraged to complete and/or forward the links to peers within their institutions. Email Tara if you are interested but have not received a survey.