

NET+ BPLAC Meeting Summary

July 12, 2023

Attendees: Emily Perry, Loren Malm, Bobby Clark, Joe Holewa, Carrie Shumaker, Lester Greenman, Marra Austin, Sean O'Brien, Nikki Maloney, Sue Gavazzi

- Members approved the [June 2023 Summary](#) notes
- Bobby revisited a discussion on BPLAC goals and deliverables. Joe asked members to reflect on the value of the committee to members' schools, presently and in the future. Sean provided background on the inception of BPLAC and specifics on how its input has helped the NET+ program. Several members offered benefits to their institutions from the NET+ program and participation in the committee. Sean and Bobby will draft an updated purpose statement for the August meeting.
- Bobby requested input from the committee on next steps to continue conversations and participation in vendor management discussion after the VMWG presentation at EDUCAUSE. He also asked for assistance in planning another hybrid meeting for the October BPLAC since it will occur during the conference.
- Sean continued the discussion on vendor annual increases from the June meeting. Would members benefit from some contracts requiring mandatory annual increases rather than significant price increases after a term ends? Members suggested alternate pricing structures based on market rates and sales practice considerations.
- Emily provided a status update on the Vendor Management working group activities on the final documents and resources. She anticipates providing a deliverable to NET+ in mid- to late-August.