

NET+ BPLAC Meeting Summary

May 10, 2023

Attendees: Emily Perry, Matt D'Emilio, Marra Austin, Bobby Clark, Lester Greenman, Kevin Morooney, Sean O'Brien, John Krienke, Nikki Maloney, Lucy Joyce, Sue Gavazzi

Note: this was a hybrid meeting with some in attendance at Community Exchange and others online

- Members approved the [April 2023 Summary](#) notes
- Emily updated the members on the VMWG. Full group met on April 26th to review task lists documented per sub-group. Open meetings will be scheduled through June 30th for each sub-group to gather additional input from other WG members and discuss overlaps. Proposal for panel discussion at EDUCAUSE has been submitted.
- Bobby and Matt led a discussion on how BPLAC's goals should align with and support Internet2's Five-Year Roadmap with regard to vendor management. Topics discussed included:
 - Identification of rising services/suppliers
 - Formalization of vendor/product alert process
 - Support for under-served and under-represented institutions (lowering barrier to Internet2 membership)
 - Use our unified voice with vendors
 - Use data and tools that already exists on campuses
 - Put forth a big vision that will impact higher ed at scale
- Sean noted that the NET+ template contract is outdated and requested a sub-group of members to advise on updating it.