



Professional Learning Subcommittee 2016-2017



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Date: November 15, 2016

To: Professional Learning Subcommittee Members

From: Frankie Jackson, on Behalf of the Professional Learning Subcommittee

Subject: Minutes for the Professional Learning Subcommittee Meeting Conducted
Tuesday, November 15, 2016

The Texas K-12 CTO Council's Professional Learning subcommittee conference call was conducted on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 3:30. Frankie Jackson led the call, with the following subcommittee members participating: Albert Martinez, Jennifer Miller, Lewis Winn, Wes Hargrove, Alice Owen, and Joe Barnett. The following are the meeting discussions.

1. Discussed the cancellation of the Digital Convergence and Modern Teacher Webinars and look forward to the rescheduling of the webinar series for the spring 2017. The date for rescheduling the webinar series has not been announced yet.
2. Discussed a strategy for conducting a leadership book review in the format of a mastermind group, facilitated by Texas K-12 CTOs. The results from the survey conducted in October 2016, we selected the book: [Eric Sheninger, Digital Leadership: Changing Paradigms for Changing Times](#). The survey also included a suggested time for conducting the book review. The survey results concluded that Thursday's at lunch between 12 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. is the best time. Frankie Jackson took an action to provide information to Alice Owen about the book study so participation can be opened to all members. Here is a starting point for our discussions about a strategy for moving forward.
 - Announce to all CTOs that we will be conducting a book review.
 - Anyone wanting to participate can order the book.
 - We can solicit in our membership, a list of who wants to participate, starting January 2017 on Thursdays during 12:00 – 1:00 (except on monthly conference call Thursdays).
 - Once we get the list of those that want to participate, ask for volunteers to facilitate a chapter for 30 minutes, then open it up for discussion. We might ask the facilitator to prepare slides to share in advance so the discussion is guided.
3. Discussed a strategy for conducting a leadership book review in the format of a mastermind group, facilitated by a **professional training group**. There would be a cost for members to participate in this service. Alice took an action to talk to CoSN about training options. Joe Barnett took an action to propose leadership categories to consider for this training. Frankie took an action to contact the Center for Digital Education as an option for providing professional learning opportunities.



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- 4. Talked about soliciting our Texas membership to find out who plans to study for the CETL program and take the CETL exam in June 2017. Frankie took an action to send out a survey to the membership.

Texas K-12 Chief Technology Officer (CTO) Council Goals for 2016-2017

Goals for 2016-17

- Develop webinars relevant to the needs of the Texas K-12 CTO membership.
- Develop a mentoring program to encourage new membership and support of new CTOs.
- Utilize our website for posting best practices and accomplishments of districts.
- Develop a unified voice and position papers to advocate for the students of Texas.

Professional Learning Subcommittee Objectives

Objective	Action Step
2.1.4	Provide opportunities for members to participate in book studies, utilizing online resources associated with study and post their reviews online (i.e. www.johnmaxwellgroup.com).
2.1.5	Host timely webinars that correspond with current challenges or solutions based on member feedback
2.1.6	Utilize virtual two-way tools for increased human interaction.
2.1.8	Design feedback system of surveys to gauge new and existing member needs related to professional learning.
2.1.9	Provide orientation to COSN website / resources for new and existing members.
2.2.1	Provide opportunities for members to connect with CETL study groups.

Professional Learning Subcommittee Call In Numbers

Professional Learning Subcommittee meetings are set for 3:30 on the Tuesdays before the monthly Texas K-12 CTO Council conference calls. All items related to our subcommittee will be available on the council’s google drive [here](#).

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