

*Ohio Learning Network Governing Board Meeting
May 20th, 2008*

OhioLINK
2455 North Star Rd.
Columbus, OH 43221

OLD BUSINESS

- Minutes of the [December meeting](#): approved as written.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

- Constituency Committee Updates:
 - Academic Outreach:
 - Minnesota State Colleges and University (MnSCU) made some navigational and reporting changes to the CENTSS audit and presented how services were integrated using CENTSS as a guide at [a workshop](#) this spring that was attended by 10 out of the 16 institutions.
 - OLN hopes to convert to the CRM system in June and will begin by changing over the collaborative degree and E 4 ME registration.
 - The cooperative degree offered by Columbus State Community College, Lakeland Community College, Lorain County Community College and Owens Community College will use a common application. An MOU will be signed by each college for a four year component.
 - The Ralph Regula School of Computational Science had 60 students during its first year.
 - The Quickstart to College program, funded by a Lumina grant, helps bring in undereducated adults and is underway at James A. Rhodes State College, Owens Community College, and Zane State College. The program will partner with ABLE to recruit students over 45 years old, as well as first generation learners.
 - The board approved funding to purchase an additional 10,000 Smarthinking hours.
 - The latest set of E 4 ME data indicates: 34% of the completers enroll in college; the program recently had its 1000th completer; approximately 50% of registrants drop out before the first class.
 - Innovative Learning and Teaching:
 - An invitation to participate in the teaching online survey was sent to 421 faculty from four institutions. An invitation to participate in the all faculty survey was sent to approximately 2200 full- and part-time faculty members at Owens Community College.
 - The board approved \$50,000 in continued funding per [Regional Center](#) contingent on the final evaluation of the centers in order to move to a regional model supporting more innovations. A consultant was hired to review the Centers and has submitted a preliminary report.
 - Forty-six communities participated in the [Teaching and Learning Expo](#) held on May 19th by having an interactive booth and more than 300 people attended.
 - Annual Conference:
 - There were 385 attendees at the ODCE 2008 Conference, more than in years past due to STEM high school participants.
 - There were 64 responses to the overall conference evaluation. The most important issues were ranked high, including session content.
 - ODCE 2009 will be the last ODCE Conference and then OLN will begin working with eTech for a combined conference.

NEW BUSINESS

- University System of Ohio Strategic Plan - OhioLINK-OLN Merger:

- There is still an OhioLINK program and an OLN program, and both are now part of the Regents family. Kate Carey reviewed [the Chancellor's Strategic Plan](#) and integrated what OLN projects, current and proposed, relate to the plan.
- David Barber said the best way to provide continuity is to merge the OhioLINK and OLN boards into an advisory committee. The number of people on the board and the board's make-up will be determined.
- Kathy Krendl said there will be a meeting sometime between now and July 31st and anyone interested in serving on the advisory board should contact [Carey](#).
- FY09 Budget Draft: The board approved the FY 09 budget.
- FY09 Performance Reviews: Carey noted FY09 reviews will need to be addressed.
- FY09 Project Plan Draft: Carey said the group would advise OLN on its current, continuing and new projects and reviewed OLN's continuing and new activities. Barber said the Chancellor would attend the next meeting to discuss the group's charge
- Board members and the OLN staff were thanked for their work.