Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council
Education Record User Group
Notes from the August 4, 2009 Conference Call

On the call were

- Barbara Clements (ESP Solutions Group)
- Tuan Anh Do (San Francisco State University), Co-Chair
- Larry Borgione (Oracle)
- Jason Hurdlow (Washington State University)
- Anne Johnston (National Transcript Center)
- Clare Smith-Larson (Iowa State University)
- Tom Stewart (AACRAO SPEEDE Committee)
- Andy Weiss (University of Oregon)

Tuan started the call at 10 minutes after the hour.

1. **Posting of Documents on AirSet.com:** We agreed that once a new document is posted to AirSet.com under Files and Current Documents, it would be acknowledged and briefly discussed on the next call. An opportunity to discuss it would be provided on the next two calls. If there were no adverse comments by then, it would be considered approved by the group.

2. **College Transcript XML to EDI Crosswalk and the PCL Segment:** It was brought to our attention that the rules for the crosswalk did not map anything to the EDI PCL segment. This has now been corrected and the revised crosswalk is now posted on AirSet.com.

3. **Crosswalks from EDI to XML and vice versa:** It was agreed that the Crosswalk rules that have been developed by the AACRAO SPEEDE Committee can be useful not only to the UT Texas SPEEDE Server, but to others as well. So once they have been posted for several weeks on AirSet.com, they will also be forwarded to Michael Sessa so they can be posted with the XML Approved Schemas on PESC.org.

   **Request for Student Transcript XML to EDI and EDI to XML:** The AACRAO SPEEDE Committee developed and approved these two sets of crosswalk rules. They have now been posted to AirSet.com.

   **Transcript Acknowledgment XML to EDI and EDI to XML:** The AACRAO SPEEDE Committee developed and approved these two sets of crosswalk rules. They have now been posted to AirSet.com.
4. **PESC XML High School Transcript and a New Summary of Credits Earned:** It was brought to our attention a while back that many high school paper transcripts include a summary of credits and grades by curriculum area, grade level, etc. Scott Hillman from Docufide drafted up a User Defined Extension that could be used for this. This has now been posted on AirSet.com. Tuan will invite Scott to participate in a future call where we can discuss it in more detail.

In general, it was felt that since these types of summaries appear frequently on high school transcripts, it would be better to add new data elements to the high school transcript schema in lieu of adding a User Defined Extension.

5. **Student Attendance Summary on the PESC XML HS Transcript:** It was agreed to add a new optional complex data element called “Attendance” as child to “AcademicSession”. This new data element would be located immediately below “AcademicSummary”. The two optional simple child data elements would be “DaysPresent” and “DaysAbsent”. These two new data elements would be decimal types.

6. **Code Set for Academic Programs in North Carolina:** We briefly discussed a request that a new code set be added to the PESC XML High School Transcript to transmit standard codes for academic high school programs in North Carolina. It would be added as a child to Student. AcademicRecord. AcademicAward. AcademicAwardProgram. AcademicProgramCodeGroup. Existing code sets are ProgramCIPCode, ProgramHEGISCode, ProgramCSISCode, ProgramUSISCode, and ProgramESISCode. Only 2 of these code sets are in regular use (CIP and ESIS) and none of these is appropriate for high school programs.

The values for high school programs currently being used by the state of North Carolina are

- VOC - Vocational
- GNRL - General
- CP - College Prep
- CTP - College Tech Prep
- CRP - Career Prep
- OCC - Occupational
- CPCT - College Prep / College Tech Prep

There is no known nationally recognized code set for high school programs so there is definitely a need for a new code set. Barbara Clements volunteered to do some research to come up with enumerated values for a new code set that would include the values now being used in North Carolina.
7. **Agency Assigned ID:** We had a discussion on this simple data element that is child to “Person” in the High School Transcript Schema. The problem is that there is no way of identifying which agency assigned the ID. In the Admissions Application Schema, the workgroup agreed to change this simple data element to a repeatable complex one called “AgencyIdentifier” with three optional child data elements: “AgencyAssignedID”, “StateProvinceCode”, and “OtherAgency”.

On today’s call, we proposed doing something similar. We agreed to changing from the optional simple “AgencyAssignedID” to an optional complex “AgencyIdentifier” with possibly six child data elements: “AgencyAssignedID”, “AgencyName”, “AgencyType”, “CountryCode”, “StateProvinceCode”, and “NoteMessage”.

On the call, we agreed that “AgencyAssignedID” and “AgencyType” would both be required data elements. However, we need a discussion to verify that making two of the child data elements required would still allow this new version of the schema to be backwardly compatible.

Suggested enumerated values of “AgencyType” were District, Migrant, MutuallyDefined, National, Regional, and StateProvince.

8. **Submission of ERUG approved changes to the PESC CCB:** Tom volunteered to prepare an Excel document of all the changes to the PESC XML High School Transcript Schema Version 1.0.0 approved so far by the ERUG so it can be submitted for approval of the Change Control Board. This would then create a new version 1.1.0.

9. **Submission of Agenda Items for Future ERUG Calls:** All members of the ERUG are encouraged to submit agenda items that can be discussed on future calls. You can submit the items to Barbara Clements (bcllements@espsg.com) and Tuan Anh Do (doey@sfsu.edu).

The call ended at 59 minutes after the hour.

Next Call is Tuesday, August 9 at 2 pm Eastern (1 pm Central, noon Mountain and 1 pm Pacific) Daylight Saving Time. Call 1-800-508-7631; Room *9976409*.

Next Face to Face Meeting at the PESC Fall Summit is tentatively scheduled for October 19 - 20, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC.