Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council
Education Record User Group
Notes from the January 25, 2010 Conference Call

On today's call were

Robin Greene (College Foundation of North Carolina & Member of AACRAO SPEEDE Committee)
Jason Hurdlow (Washington State University)
Anne Johnston (Edustructures/Pearson in TX)
Clare Smith-Larson (Iowa State University and Member of AACRAO SPEEDE Committee)
Tom Stewart (Miami Dade College in FL - Retired & Member of AACRAO SPEEDE Committee)

Since neither of the two co-chairs was on the call, we only had some informal discussion for about 20 minutes.

1. **Status of New Versions of College and High School Transcript Schemas:** Anne asked about the schedule. Tom advised the group the PESC Change Control Board has approved both new versions (High School Version 1.1.0 and College Version 1.2.0). However, they are both based on proposed Version 1.8.0 of Core Main. At the same time, the set of IPEDS schemas use the same version of Core Main and that version has not yet been approved by a vote of the PESC membership. When that is done, and there are no changes made to Core Main that affect our schemas, our updated versions of the XML Transcripts should also be approved. Hopefully, that will be within the next month.

2. **Maximum Length of NoteMessage:** Jason would like to discuss extending the length of the simple data element NoteMessage. He would either like to make it at least twice as long, or perhaps make it of indefinite length. Since this data element is used in so many PESC schemas, Tom felt a change of length might not be easily approved by PESC. Another possibility is to create a new simple data element with no max length and add it where needed in future schema updates. Jason would like to discuss this on a future call.

3. **Non-Residential Credit Summary:** Jason had brought this item up on the October 12, 2009 call and it was approved by the group. However, Tom requested a clarification (that could be included in the Implementation Guide) as to whether or not the non-residential credits would be included in or excluded from the other credit hour totals. Jason will make a recommendation on the next call.
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