On today’s call were

**Tuan Anh Do**, Assistant Director, Systems Support Group, Undergraduate Admissions, San Francisco State University (CA) & Chair of AACRAO SPEEDE Committee and **Co-Chair of ERUG**

**Keren Gavra**, Product Development Manager, Docufide, Inc.

**Bob Hewett**, Principal Software Engineer, Pearson, and **Co-Chair of ERUG**

**Scott Hillman**, Vice President, Operations and Customer Service, Docufide, Inc

**Tom Stewart**, Miami Dade College (FL) - Retired, & Member of AACRAO SPEEDE Committee

Tuan started the call at 3 minutes after the hour.

**Change Control Board Approvals:** The three requests for changes to transcript schemas that had been previously approved by ERUG were approved by the PESC CCB on its call this week. They were (1) Changing the length of the simple data element `AcademicAwardTitle` from 80 characters to no limit on the length of the field; (2) Adding a new enumerated value of “Correspondence” to the simple data element `CourseCreditBasis`; and (3) Allowing for multiple code sets being used in an instance document to identify a school. Although these changes will be made in Core Main and in the appropriate sector libraries, they will not affect any instance documents until ERUG asks for new versions of the XML transcripts to be created.

**Crosswalk for PESC XML College Transcript Version 1.2 to EDI TS130 Version 4010:** The first draft of this crosswalk was created by Tom and critiqued by Bob. A final version was approved on today’s call and will be distributed with these call notes. Tuan will ask Michael Sessa to post it to the PESC web site.

**Future Call Agendas:** Tuan plans to send out agendas (and calls for agenda items) each Friday for future ERUG conference calls. If there are no agenda items to discuss, Tuan or Bob may then opt to cancel the next week’s call.

**Review of the Face to Face Meeting in Los Angeles:**

**For Next Meeting in Boston:** Scott suggested that the next face to face meeting of ERUG at the Westin Copley Square April 26-27, 2011, be kicked off with a brief review (PowerPoint?) of the activities and accomplishments of ERUG for the previous year.
Common Data Standards: One important issue that was addressed throughout the Data Summit was the work being done by the Task Force addressing data standards. It was repeatedly pointed out that this group is not creating a national data base. They are primarily attempting to create a repository of important data elements used in the US Department of Education’s National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), SIFA and PESC. An immediate goal appears to be to settle on a common definition for each data element used in the PreK through 20 system of education. Another goal is to come up with a standard format (type of data, enumerated values, length of the field) for these data elements so that users of these data elements can work toward commonality in the use of these elements. There is no mandate at the present to require users of the data to adhere to these formats. However, PESC has endorsed the anticipated end product and intends to attempt to move toward acceptance of any standards that are agreed upon.

The PESC Change Control Board has spent most of its weekly calls for the past several months reviewing the current product of the CDS and making suggestions for improvement.

Michael Sessa, Rick Skeel (U of Oklahoma) and Tim Cameron are PESC reps working on the project.

Including Binary Data in an Instance Document: We discussed this again on today’s call and Scott said he will review the current info we have and Scott will try to encourage Jam Hamidi (BC Campus in British Columbia) and Brendan Bellini (U of Southern California) to join us on a future call to discuss it further.

Immunization Info: Bob will review the additional info that is included on transcripts transmitted from the National Transcript Center to see if there are additional data elements that might be added to our transcript schemas.

Today’s call ended at 53 minutes after the hour.

Next Conference Call is Tuesday, October 26 at noon Eastern (11 am Central, 10 am Mountain, and 9 am Pacific) Daylight Savings Time. Call 866.352.3799; Meeting Number *7696363*. 