On today’s call were

**Rachel Hendrickson**, Retired Director, Student Academic Support, California State University Chancellor’s Office

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

**Scott Hillman**, VP, Operations & Customer Services, Parchment

**Tom Stewart**, Retired Registrar, Miami Dade College (FL) and Member of the AACRAO SPEEDE Committee

Bob started the call at 3 minutes after the hour.

**High School Graduation Class-Of:** Scott raised a new issue about the need to be able to include the projected high school graduation year, commonly known as the “Class-Of”, in the PESC XML HS Transcript.

The latest version (1.2.0) of the PESC XML High School Transcript includes a simple optional data element “AcademicAwardDate” as child to the optional complex data element “AcademicAward”. This can be a future date. However, this requires a full 8-digit date (CCYY-MM-DD).

Scott noted that the four digit projected graduation year is commonly included in the paper high school transcript. SIF also allows the inclusion of the projected graduation date as the four digit year, or the six digit year month, or the full 8 digit projected graduation date.

The new Common Education Data Standards (CEDS) include a data element called “Projected Graduation Date” which has a format of CCYY-MM. If we were to include this CEDS approved data element in the PESC XML HS Transcript standard, we might get a few brownie points (???).

We could also create a new optional complex data element called “ProjectedGraduationDate” as child to “AcademicAward”. This new data element could have two optional child data elements: “Year” and “YearMonth”. This could also be a choice data element which would allow either the “Year” or the “YearMonth”, but not both.
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It was agreed to postpone a final decision on this for at least two weeks to allow for additional input before a final recommendation is made to the PESC Change Control Board.

Those who would like to transmit the 4 digit year or the 6 digit year-month in the latest approved XML HS Transcript can do so now with a UDE or with the use of the NoteMessage, but this is not a good permanent solution.

Proposed Electronic Discussion Group: Bob raised the issue of a way to make it easier for interested folks to pose a question or comment for discussion among the PESC membership. He may proceed to develop such an electronic group and make it available for interested ERUG participants.

Today's call ended at 28 minutes after the hour.

Next ERUG Conference Call is Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at noon Eastern (11 am Central, 10 am Mountain, and 9 am Pacific) Daylight Saving Time. Call 712.775.7000 and use access code 269525 #.

Next Face to Face Meeting of ERUG: PESC Fall Data Summit October 12-14, 2011 in San Francisco at the Sheraton Hotel at Fisherman’s Wharf. The ERUG session is currently scheduled for Wednesday, October 12 at 1:30 pm Pacific Time.