

## **OATN Technology Steering Committee Meeting – October 11, 2016**

### **Community College \$1.5M [Research Center Award](#)**

- A review was given of the \$1.5M award provided to community colleges for Career and Academic Pathway planning, which involves changes in systems, technology and processes.
- There is a target goal of fall 2018 to have in place curriculum pathways to 4-year degree completion.

### **Articulation & Transfer Clearinghouse (ATC) System Review**

- ATC currently only serves Ohio's public higher education institutions. As we move forward, the technology committee was asked to highlight what key items should be considered if the ATC would be re-engineered.
- Members suggested that transcripts from private institutions and high schools (high school e-Transcript) be added (at minimum) to make the system more effective and boost its benefit to college and universities.
- Considerations should also be in place for the new Ohio GED replacement, capture articulation agreements, as well as for Ohio Technical Center transcripts if at all possible.
- Cost and subscription services for private and for profit institutions could be considered.

### **Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathways Initiative**

- An update was provided to what was formerly known as the "2+2" initiative, now known as the Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathways Initiative. A handout was provided that gave an overview of the project, which focuses on 6 regional areas and 8 clusters that result in over 50 pathways.

### **Project for Transfer Credit**

An overview was given to this new initiative, which focuses on student mobility that lead to credits being transcribed correctly for the student to keep progressing forward. This will enable institutions to properly evaluate, award, code, store, and report student credit, as well as providing accurate transcripts to other institutions to support student success. This project is led by Mr. Dave Sauter and will dive into the discovery phase of what institutions currently do in hopes of finding best practices (if possible) to share with colleagues throughout the state.

### **HEI Technology Update**

ODHE representatives Jay Canupp and Michael Hopcraft were on hand to provide an update on HEI re-modernization. Progress was made on the new HEI data model, in addition to reviewing the new business intelligence tool: Tableau. Institutions should connect with their HEI liaisons to ensure they are

informed of the latest changes and requests by the HEI development team. To view the latest updates of the HEI project, please visit this site: [https://www.ohiohighered.org/content/re\\_engineering\\_hei](https://www.ohiohighered.org/content/re_engineering_hei)

The project is expected to wrap up Phase 3 in late 2017 and is on target. Funding is necessary to complete Phases 4 and 5, and an update will be provided at our next meeting on the progress being made.

### **ITT Closure and other updates**

Lastly, the committee discussed the latest efforts being made by higher education institutions to assist students that were affected by the recent closure of ITT Technical Institute. Initiatives by institutions include offering scholarships, waiving fees and using Prior Learning Assessments (PLA) to provide a path for success. The site [Chegg.com](http://Chegg.com) has compiled a state-by-state list of more than 200 not-for-profit schools that are willing to accept ITT transfer credits. Click on the link above to find out more.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2017. Please mark your calendars and send in your suggested topics for consideration.