



Educational Resources Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, September 4, 2024 10:30 AM  
Zoom  
6949 South 110th Street  
LaVista, NE 68128

1. Call to Order  
Committee Chair
2. Roll Call  
Committee Chair
3. Agenda Item  
Committee Chair
  - 3.1. Special Populations  
Committee Chair
    - 3.1.1. NDE Special Education Update  
Amy Rhone
    - 3.1.2. ESPD Report  
Tami Clay
    - 3.1.3. SRS Staff Report  
Scott Isaacson
      - 3.1.3.1. Project Para Report  
Scott Isaacson
  - 3.2. PDO (Professional Development Organization)  
Committee Chair
    - 3.2.1. High Quality Instructional Materials Support (HQ-IM)  
Committee Chair
    - 3.2.2. SDA Report  
SDA Affiliate Chair
    - 3.2.3. Hal Cadre  
Kristen Slechta
    - 3.2.4. Literacy Update  
Polk, CEO
    - 3.2.5. PDO Meetings  
CEO Polk
    - 3.2.6. NDE Updates  
Shirley Vargas

3.2.7. BITS & BIRTS  
CEO Polk/Isaacson

3.2.8. Textbook Loan  
CEO Polk

3.2.9. CANVA for ESUs  
CEO Polk

4. Next Meeting Agenda Items  
Committee Chair
5. Adjournment  
Committee Chair

# SRS Staff Report

September, 2024

After extensive internal testing, it was decided that the major update of the software environment needed more work and was not released in July. Instead, some essential fixes were made to the current system and the environment update will move forward for a December, 2024 release. The advisory team has decided to use a schedule of two updates per year in December and July.

The enhancements included in the December release in addition to the newer software platform are to include enhancements to the IEP form related to recent findings and feedback from file reviews and investigations. A sub-committee has continued to meet and design these changes.

The SRS system was certified in mid-August to publish ADVISER data for 2024-2025 and that is available for all schools when their student information system has published ADVISER data.

## Project Para

The Canvas team has used the Canvas catalog to develop a new, smoother registration process for Project Para users. This is being tested internally and then with districts who use the current system with plans to roll out the new registration system during this fall. When testing is successful, the current system will stop taking new registrations. The current target is October 1st. Users already in progress with the current system will have time to complete their courses, while new users will be redirected to the new registration process.

The next work in Project Para during this 2024-2025 school year will be to review and modernize the course content and presentation in collaboration with the NDE, University, community college, ESU and school district partners.

# Educational Service Unit: High Ability Learner Cadre

Purpose:	To enhance the capacity statewide to support gifted and talented students through education, collaboration, and resources.
Statewide Participants:	ESU Personnel HAL Cadre Consortium Managers NDE
Norms:	To be developed and finalized in collaboration with the cadre membership.
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Resources:	To be addressed and modified as resources are vetted and shared by the HAL Cadre membership.
• <a href="#">NDE HAL Vision &amp; Mission</a>	

The following staff reached out to [kristen.slechta@esu9.us](mailto:kristen.slechta@esu9.us) on May 7th, 2024 in hopes of joining a future HAL Cadre:

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