



***Partnerships for Innovation
Program of Work Mid-Year Report
December 2009***

Secondary to Postsecondary Transitions

- Career Pathway Program of Study Development and Standards Revision
 - Agriculture and Natural Resources
 - December 1 – 2, 2009: Visioning Session, Omaha
 - June 1 -4, 2010: Standards Revision Workshop, Lincoln
 - Health Sciences
 - February 11, 2010?: Visioning Session, Lincoln
 - July 12 – 15, 2010: Standards Revision Workshop, Lincoln
 - Education and Training
 - February 9 – 10, 2010: Early Childhood Development Standards Revision, Lincoln
 - February 23, 2010: Visioning Session, Lincoln
 - June 29 – 30, 2010: Teacher Education Program, Lincoln
 - Manufacturing
 - April 13 – 14, 2010: Visioning Session, Columbus
 - July 19 – 22, 2010: Standards Revision Workshop, Columbus
- Common definitions and terms
 - No funds expended - Community College Chief Instructional Officers working on definitions
- Next Steps: Business Dual Credit Coursework
 - No funds expended
- 21st Century Teaching and Learning Summit
 - No additional funds expended, anticipated \$20K after January 19, 2010
- Statewide Registrar/Articulation in Career Technical Education meeting
 - No funds expended
- Annual Nebraska Career Academy Forum
 - Exceeded \$2,000 allocated, estimated \$7,000 for workshop, see attached evaluation results

Professional Development

- Study of E-learning initiatives in Nebraska including the activities that are associated with state licenses like CAD, etc.
 - No funds expended
- Entrepreneurship Infusion: Support concepts and activities integrated in all curricular areas
 - No funds expended, expecting proposal for \$10K to plan and execute curriculum rigorous enough for dual credit with accepting institutions – train the trainer model
- Professional Development: Web 2.0, technology, electronic tools

- Request for Proposals went out to teachers to develop awareness and user ability models for integrating Web 2.0 in the classroom.
- Problem Based, Case Based Learning Workshops
 - Conducted workshop at Metropolitan Community College, no expenses except for mileage and time from P3 Community Based Job Training Grant – could invoice if appropriate
- Professional Development:
 - No funds expended, anticipate request for fund for Personal Finance institute (est. \$17K) and Health Sciences for next year (\$15-20K)
- Counselor Conference
 - \$4995.12 expended, PFI co-sponsored, materials disseminated
- Leadership Academy for Officers and Educators: How do we grow the next generation of leaders in professional organizations across the state?
 - Sponsored leadership meeting, November 11 estimated expense \$2,000.00

Statewide Partnerships and Initiatives

- National Repository for Online Curriculum (NROC) Membership
 - Update provided at October PFI meeting
 - \$50,000 expended from budget
 - Training provided through OPS and ESU's across the state
- High Schools That Work & Making Middle Grades Work Membership
 - \$45,000 annual membership expended, see report
- Economic Modeling Specialists, Inc. Statewide Membership
 - \$15,000.00 – do we want to renew?
- Illuminate Web Conferencing Service
 - \$13400.00 – do we want to renew?
- Grant writing
 - None expended to date
- Webpage Maintenance/Development
 - Contracted with David and Associates (Hastings, NE) to develop a more professional logo and website for strictly PFI, contracted for less than \$10,000 as determined by PFI LC at June meeting
 - Logo defined (available) website available at beginning of 2010 year
- Student Data Collection & Reporting System
 - No funds expended to date
- Nebraska Career Connections, reports attached
 - \$100,000.00 expended
- Today's Classroom, report attached