

Greetings,

It is our pleasure to present this executive summary of the ongoing activities of the Standardization of Postsecondary Education Electronic Data Exchange (SPEEDE) Committee of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). The AACRAO SPEEDE Committee was formed in the late 1980's and has been very active since then in the coordination, development, and implementation of international exchange standards in United States and Canada by representing secondary and postsecondary education in collaboration with the standards setting body, P20W Education Standards Council (PESC). The Committee reports to the AACRAO Vice President for Information Technology (Group VI), Nicole Rovig.

We hope you enjoy this report which contains the 4th quarter 2014 AACRAO SPEEDE Committee activities and efforts. More information can be found at the [AACRAO SPEEDE Committee Link](#).

Thank You and Cheers to Our Friend and Founding Member

The AACRAO SPEEDE Committee would like to recognize Tom Stewart for his outstanding contribution to the committee. Tom, retired Registrar from Miami Dade College, was a founding member of the AACRAO SPEEDE Committee and early collaborator for electronic exchange of education records. Tom recently announced his resignation from the committee. We wish him all the best – he will be greatly missed!

Tom began discussions around electronic exchange of academic transcripts with his colleagues at an AACRAO conference in 1988 and has been a major contributor to the EDX movement in higher ed ever since. In 1990 he helped to create the EDI Transcript Standards and in the years following focused on EDI and XML schema development and maintenance, creation of implementation guides, development of EDI/XML crosswalks, and participation in countless national and regional AACRAO conferences. Tom also led the charge to help other institutions benefit from EDX through his unwavering commitment to outreach through the years.

Thank you, Tom, for sparking the EDX flame and keeping it burning bright. We appreciate your friendship, mentorship and dedication which inspired countless others to continue the good work and adoption of EDX standards.

Welcome

We are pleased to welcome our newest committee member Mel Dvorak, Software Developer Analyst from University of Texas Austin. We are excited to have Mel as our newest contributor and hope you will meet her soon at the AACRAO Annual Meeting in Baltimore. A warm AACRAO SPEEDE Committee welcome to Mel!

Committee Meetings & Conferences:

The AACRAO SPEEDE Committee aspires to educate and facilitate expanding the adoption of electronic records exchange in secondary and postsecondary education. One way we do this is through promotion and education by offering SPEEDE sessions at Regional and National (Annual) AACRAO Conferences. If you would like more information or have a great presentation idea please let us know speede@aacrao.org.

Committee F2F Meetings

Committee members met F2F at eDINTEROP. October 8-10 Washington, DC. The Data Symposium & Summit was focused on Global Interoperability in P20W education as well as open community-driven development of technology and standards. Topics discussed at our F2F included: Crosswalk of institution codes, AACRAO 2015 & SACRAO Sessions, AACRAO Survey/case studies/micro surveys, NSC SPEEDE Server Advisory Group & common core assessment results. The committee met with a representative from Smarter Balanced to advise on the potential to report common core score data using the PESC XML Test Score Report standard.

P20W (PESC) Activities:

In line with our mission to develop, promote and maintain standards for the electronic exchange of education records, in conjunction with appropriate national and international standards bodies through participation in P20W (PESC) we have participated in the following:

Academic e-Portfolio	Canadian PESC User Group	Change Control Board	Common Data Services	Common XML
Electronic Authentication/Authorization(EA2)	Education Record User Group	PESC Board	PESC Seal of Approval	Technical Advisory Board

For more information about these PESC initiatives, to get involved, or to become a member please check out www.PESC.org !

Standards & Crosswalk Development:

Final versions of all approved EDI and XML standards and completed crosswalks can be downloaded at the P20W (PESC) Website [Standards Link](#) and [Crosswalk Link](#) . Modifications to these standards are facilitated by the PESC Education Record User Group (ERUG).

Sharing Information:

Interested in participating in various discussions with the AACRAO SPEEDE community via the SPEEDE-L list serv? Go to [Listserv Link](#).

Interested in the Electronic Data Exchange (EDX) Primer to addresses your most commonly asked questions regarding electronic data exchanges using EDI and XML. Get your copy today from the [AACRAO Online Bookstore](#) !

Wondering about PDF's? The AACRAO SPEEDE Committee released a compilation of PDF Best Practices based on survey feedback from the AACRAO Membership and PESC Community. Resulting PDF Best Practices can now be found on the AACRAO Website [PDF Best Practices Link](#) .

This concludes the AACRAO SPEEDE Committee report for the 4th quarter 2014.