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K-12 Data Task Force Minutes

August 29, 2023
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Recording: https://youtu.be/HXO9dglxKnw

Minutes:

Welcome

New Member Introductions

- Seila Chouinard
- Brian Rayborn
- Mallory Walser
- Nikki Edmondson

Review of Modernization Project

- Modernization Project Status Presentation
  - Is Infinite Campus going away?
    - No. The systems that we currently have will stay intact. About half of the districts in MT use Infinite Campus and will not be required to change.
    - Data Lake technology will enable OPI to process data from different sources.
    - If a district is PowerSchool currently, but decided the district would like to transfer to Infinite Campus, they will have the ability to do so.
  - When will this information be rolled out to the Superintendents in the MASS meetings?
    - OPI can provide a presentation at any one of the MASS meetings if we are invited to do so.
    - Communication has also gone out in the OPI Compass over the past several months.
  - Rep. Fred Anderson comments that this work encapsulates the wishes and design of Legislation.
- Review of OPI Data Modernization / K-12 Data Task Force webpage
- Modernization Legislative Report Overview

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- o   Are there plans to create or deidentify data so that districts/schools/users can view the data on their own in the Data Lake?
    - ▪   Districts/schools/users will have access to data according to their role and will be based on security standards.
- o   Is there a data set open enough to be accessed by the public?
    - ▪   Data presentation for the public will be secured like the current GEMS site and only aggregate data will be viewable.

Next Steps

- •   The next meeting will be in the next couple of months.
    - o   The goal is to have some more interaction with the Task Force.
- •   If Task Force members have requests regarding topics or specific questions, please send them to OPI.

Adjourned: 4:05 pm

Thank you to all who attended.