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TO: NITC Commissioners  
FROM: Alan Wibbels, Education Council Co-Chair  
Jack Huck, Education Council Co-Chair  
DATE: June 22, 2000  
RE: Education Council Report

The Education Council report today consists of three items:

2A. Two action items related to the Education Council Charter and Member replacements

[Attachment: **Membership Terms Review5.00.doc**]

2B. An information item relating to the Technology Training Mini-Grants recommended by the Education Council Training Advisory Work Group and administered by the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission.

LB1217 Am 2629: " The NETC shall inform the Nebraska Information Technology Commission (NITC) and the Education Council of the NITC of its grant submission procedures and its tentative awards of grants in a timely fashion." [Attachment: **TAWGgrantssummary6.1.00.doc**]

2C. Council Report--

The Education Council has met only once on May 19 since the April 20 NITC Meeting. At that meeting the Operations Work Group gave an update on their work concerning the revised priorities and procedures for scheduling satellite and terrestrial telecommunications resources.

The Training Advisory Work Group provided the list of recommended mini-grant awardees for Cycle 8 of the Technology Training Mini-grants.

The Policies, Procedures, Planning Subcommittee recommended that the NET Video-on-Demand project can continue its pilot until Fall, 2000, and that the funds needed to complete the Network 3 upgrade can come from the unexpended K-12 satellite downlink grant program.

The follow-up focus groups from the Educational Technology 2010 Conference are researching and writing white papers related to the six Education Council priorities.

The Education Council nominated its two representatives to the Technical Advisory Committee of the TINA Study. The Education Council will also assist in gathering K-12

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and postsecondary data for the TINA Bandwidth Inventory.

The Education Council also heard a presentation from the Nebraska Higher Education Information Technology (NEHEIT) group about IP-centric networking.