

VBODA Technology Committee 2014 Report

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2013 Technology Summit --- August 1 and 2, 2013

Meeting held in Sterling, VA, with the following present: Stan Schoonover, Dan Kosko, Art Pittman, Larry Einuis.

VBODA Database

Project is underway, although slowly, to create a “single-source” web-based data structure, to capture and retain data about schools, programs, directors, fees, ratings, scores, All-Virginia participation, VBODA auditions, etc.

VBODA Directory

Current data contained in the VBODA Directory will be used as the basis for the new database. Existing data taken from the 12-13 directory was “scrubbed”, reviewed, and compared to data gathered from Program Fee payment forms. Edited data was prepared for distribution to District Reps.

Virginia DOE data was downloaded, and will be merged with our existing data for 2014-15 edition of the directory. Both public and private school data will be merged.

RECOMMENDATIONS [motions from the committee to the Board]

- #1** Purchase hardware to allow for web-based data program to be implemented.
A Windows-based server is necessary for the project to move forward.

DONE!!

- #2** Purchase software to allow for creation of web-based database.
FileMaker Pro Server Advanced is required for creation of the database. Once loaded onto the Windows-based server, this product will allow access to the data from multiple sites [>25], with little or no disruption in service. Recommend adding this to the existing VBODA Site License contract with FileMaker Pro.

DONE!!

- #3** Convene the 2nd Annual VBODA Data Summit in summer 2014.

TO BE DONE, if approved

Respectfully submitted by Stan Schoonover for the committee.