# MINUTES, DARS STATEWIDE

**Sept 8, 2006**

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## OLD BUSINESS:

### 1. Any questions regarding Common Course Numbering implementation and maintenance?
- NSHE staff working with CCN are providing information about all CCN changes as they occur to DARS staff.
- Excel files for this month have been shared by UNLV.
- There are no changes for UNR, WNCC, NSC and CCSN and WNCC.

**ACTION:**

CCSN – Elda is working with Shannon to create their report.

### 2. Make DARS tables available to campus IT to create reports from campus student data warehouses.
- Susan has gotten requests for DARS data from UNR and WNCC.

**ACTION:**

WNCC extracts for degree programs and requirements are being tested the night of 9/8 in production by SCS.
UNR extracts are in progress.

### 3. Suffixes are not showing up on some institution’s transcripts (paper and/or electronic).
- Bs can be suppressed on in state transcripts according to Susan. Testing to put ‘Bs’ back on WNCC transcripts is complete. The ‘Bs’ now appear on in state WNCC electronic transcripts.
- Testing has been done in QA to include the ‘Bs’ on CCSN in state transcripts.

**ACTION:**

Need a sign off from Elda Chavez for 31355.
Once implemented at CCSN, all institutions will be sending ‘Bs’.

### 4. UNR batch audits.
- Change #30638 was for the research to split the batch audits. Changes 31284 and 31285 track the changes made to allow for this feature.

**ACTION:**

Batches have been split but are still running too long. Susan suggested the possibility that batch runs happen during the day instead of over night. Cogitation about that suggestion.

## NEW BUSINESS:

### Notes:

### Action:
1. **(Maureen) Requests that each institution update the DARS implementation table that was distributed in May.**  
Maureen distributed the updated table and there was much discussion about what each institution does with DARS.  
We will try to keep this table up to date as DARS use at institutions changes.

2. **(Laura) Request to have the ID field locked on the new version of DARS**  
Everyone has inadvertently changed the student ID in DARS and the student subsequently disappears!  
This would require SCS to modify the vendor code. Susan suggested asking Miami to provide an enhancement to allow institutions to prevent changing this field. Try not to do this but if you do go to “Get List” and check for the students at the top and at the bottom of the list – you should find them there with a funny ID number.

3. **(Susan) More about batch audits**  
SCS has asked UNLV to consider spreading their batch audits over 5 nights instead of 4 to help balance out the load. Jonathan will review.  
WNCC does not have immediate plans to implement batch audits.  
NSC is considering implementing in January 2007. CCSN will check with Elda.

4. **(Susan) Request to hold off flagging for export the morning of Tues, Sept 12.**  
SCS is testing the conversion of the last batch job to grid control. The last job is the one that extracts records flagged for export.  
SCS will send an email reminding users to refrain from locking and exporting records until they send an email indicating that testing is complete.

5. **A group of DARS users met in the classroom after the meeting.**  
We discussed several issues and decided we may want to do some DARS training after meetings, as well.