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KarenConna: did you attend NECC?

EmilyW: no

KarenConna: if you go to....

KarenConna: www.kidzonline.org/necc/

KarenConna: you can view webcasts of the keynote speakers

EmilyW: I have been looking at handouts

EmilyW: I downloaded a bunch of them

KarenConna: The webcasts are good too. they had David Weinberger, Joel Barker, and Marc Prenksy

KarenConna: Weinberger and Barker fit both education and business

EmilyW: ok

KarenConna: I'm going to hang out for a few more minutes before calling it quits for the session

EmilyW: ok

EmilyW: what was the session going to be about?

KarenConna: Highlights from NECC

EmilyW: like?

KarenConna: We didn't want to just not doing anything for July, but we weren't sure how much interested there would be during the Summer

KarenConna: just highlighting the webcasts

KarenConna: Internet2 opportunities

KarenConna: Technology That Works Research

KarenConna: Library of Congress

KarenConna: plus whatever anyone else who attended cares to share

KarenConna waves to Susan

EmilyW: maybe do this another time?

SusanR: Hi Karen

KarenConna: That's what I'm thinking - like I said, we weren't sure of attendance seeing as how much educators are on recess

KarenConna: Susan, did you attend NECC?

KarenConna: That's what we're testing here tonight....whether there is enough interest in the summer to have sessions

KarenConna: The open house idea sounds like a good one though

KarenConna: Have you held any sessions during the summer before?

EmilyW: it does

EmilyW: I think you should do that in September

SusanR: David Wexler had 14 in attendance last week for his Math and Technology session

KarenConna: September might be good.

KarenConna: Maybe Tapped In could promote a "Back to School Night" during September where anyone interested could have an open house

EmilyW: I think you should for sure do that

EmilyW: good idea

SusanR: I like that idea, Karen

KarenConna: We decided on NECC Highlights rather than a Topic session just to see how much interested there was in summer sessions

KarenConna: I'll ask BJ about the Open House Idea

SusanR: Karen can you give us a teaser about NECC..a coupla of links

SusanR: before you leave us

KarenConna: Well you can view the Keynote Speaker Session by going to....

EmilyW: Sue, did you look at the site and download handouts?

SusanR: yeh I have that link..the virtual handouts

KarenConna: http://www.kidzonline.org/necc/

KarenConna: These are the video from the actual speakers

KarenConna: Cheryl Lemke from Metiri did a session and shared these links:

SusanR: super, Karen

KarenConna: www.w-w-c.org

KarenConna: This contains research on what works with technology and kids

KarenConna: The Library of Congress did a great presentation with links on using Primary Sources....

KarenConna: how to's for using them offline. I posted those pdf file links on the SIGTC whiteboard

SusanR: excellent, Karen

KarenConna: Marc Prensky shared his ideas about games and learning and a website....

EmilyW: how to's for what?

KarenConna: www.socialimpactgames.com

KarenConna: that has excellent games for kids related to math, law etc

KarenConna: Emily -- how to view the primary sources and activities offline

SusanR: I believe, Bj mentioned Marc

KarenConna: for teachers without access at school

KarenConna: Erin Gruwell and the Freedom Writers looked very promising, but I wasn't able to go to that one. I was hoping someone else had to find out their thoughts.

SusanR: right Karen, some teachers

SusanR: prefer to have the handout or the resource without accessing the web

KarenConna nods to Susan

KarenConna: The Metiri Group also contracts with various states to provide access to their research results....

SusanR: do you think the extreme heat we are experiencing is affecting attendance here at TI

KarenConna: http://www.metiri.com/techsolutions/tsw/tsw_statelicense.asp to see if your state is one of those

KarenConna: It could be the heat, but I think it's probably just the fact that it's the end of July and people are enjoying their vacations

JeffC joined the room.

EmilyW: not loading

SusanR: http://www.metiri.com/techsolutions/

KarenConna: Emily let me check the link again

EmilyW: that wwc site is interesting

KarenConna: okay - here's a cut n paste of the link....

KarenConna: http://www.metiri.com/techsolutions/tsw/tsw_statelicenses.asp

SusanR: I just came back from cottage country myself

BillCon joined the room.

KarenConna: Jeff, you need to check to see if your state has licensed it for you....

KarenConna: if so, then you can contact the state DOE for a token

JeffC: Apparently Oregon does have a license.

KarenConna: Contact someone at the DOE there and find out the token key so you can access the work

JeffC: will do

KarenConna: I didn't realize that PA had a license either and many of the tech people in PA don't know this either

EmilyW: license for what

KarenConna: to access the research info on what works with technology regarding software programs

EmilyW: ok

KarenConna waves to Bill

KarenConna: Anything to share from NECC Bill?

EmilyW: how do you find these sites?

KarenConna: The www.-w-w-c site and metiri site I found from a NECC session

BillCon: Did anyone attend the CTO Leadership Forum?

EmilyW: I guess I need to look through the site again

EmilyW: of the handouts and stuff

KarenConna: not all the handouts or links are available on the site

EmilyW: right

EmilyW: but contacts are on there

EmilyW: I already found one I wanted to e-mail

EmilyW: about a session

KarenConna: I discovered IPTV at a vendor booth that I'm interested in following in the future

EmilyW: I am trying to find places in DC to contact

KarenConna: This is like TiVo but available permanently through IPTV

SusanR: Did you happed to attend Gail Lovely's session

KarenConna: No I didn't but I wondered if you knew of her

KarenConna: She does a lot with early learning

SusanR: I am aware of her virtual handouts from past NECC sessions

SusanR: and used some of the resources for my session

KarenConna: There was an interesting session done by an actress about Today's Students....

SusanR: oh

KarenConna: I wasn't able to attend, but watch a bit of the video from the weblink

KarenConna: I was hoping to find someone who had actually attended

BillCon: I was checking out the Internet 2 presentations, Lewis & Clark specifically. Quality was excellent

KarenConna: There are both podcast and blogs available from the NECC site

KarenConna: For those interested in Internet2....

SusanR: will check those out

KarenConna: www.magpi.net

KarenConna: can provide background information on what Internet2 is and technical things.

KarenConna: they did a series of sessions....

KarenConna: An artist in Nova Scotia plays a piano in Philadelphia over internet2. Using MusicPath, students can receive interactive lessons from expert instructions anywhere in the world.

KarenConna: Lehigh University's ImagiNations Program allows K-12 students access to Lehigh's Center for Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology and use its XL-20 Environmental Scanning Electron microscope to explore the physical and chemical attributes of specimens from their own laboratory.

KarenConna: plus one on Lewis and Clark where you can interact with re-enactors. Very Cool!

SusanR listens intently

KarenConna: David Weinberger - The Main Keynote Speaker Talked about...

KarenConna: The Shape of knowledge....

KarenConna: Focus was on how students view information affects the education system. Digital technology allows us to get past organizing information as if it were a physical thing. We can now finally move beyond linear organization. When we do this, we are changing the shape and nature of knowledge.

BillCon: Lewis and Clark was great , you can apply for time with traveling group to setup specific date and time to share

KarenConna: Weinberger went on to say....

KarenConna: Weinberger suggests that "educators need to restructure how they present information to take advantage of the nonlinear, almost bazaar-like nature of the Web. As gatekeepers or organizers of information.they may want to look into restructuring their resources-from trees to piles of leaves, from top down to bottom up.)

KarenConna: In other words....he says that information is "messy" and we can't organize in into linear categories as we have in the past. The Internet provides for a new shape.

KarenConna: He was really good. You can view his keynote video at www.kidzonline.org/necc

KarenConna: Joel Barker -- The paradigm guy was the other keynote speaker

KarenConna: He has a new book out called Five Regions of the Future and it is geared to looking at the future and how technology fits

SusanR: that was my next question

KarenConna: his website is www.joelbarker.com he book is geared to business but works for ed also

KarenConna: He feels that we need to be much more specific in describing technology....

EmilyW: how business and ed?

KarenConna: He says that it is much more useful to "describe technology in terms of how it is used: super technology, limit technology, local technology, nature technology and human technology

KarenConna: Barker feels that understanding these five regions will help grow and develop a company's talents and assets to their best advantage.

KarenConna: Emily -- he talks in terms of companies and assets etc, but that can be applied to ed

EmilyW: oh ok

KarenConna: Barker is the guy who create the videotape, Discovering the Future: The Business of Paradigms....

KarenConna: It become one of the best selling business videos in history. I know that I had to watch it three times in my school district

SusanR: are these ideas being applied to teacher education and professional development for educators, Karen

KarenConna smiles

KarenConna: I don't know that Susan. It was the first time I had heard about the Five Regions at NECC

KarenConna: I am familiar with his previous work on paradigms....but

KarenConna: while it was "preached" to teachers, it was never really applied. Does that make sense?

SusanR: yes it does

KarenConna: I guess we'll have to wait and see on the Five Regions.

BillCon: One of coolest tools I saw was smart board with built-in projector. Projector was attached at top of board and swung out from board.

SusanR: mmm

KarenConna: Weinberger's Book: Small Pieces Loosely Joined and his earlier one Cluetrain Manifesto are interesting in that he puts forth the idea that

KarenConna: people are drawn to the web not to shop, but to connect. We all understand that as we are all Tapped In members.

KarenConna listens to Bill

BillCon: It projected the image over top of the presenter. Eliminated shadows.

BillCon: Typically you get a shadow when the projector is in front of the board

KarenConna: This site has several podcasts available that are interviews of various "famous" educators that attended or presented at NECC

KarenConna: http://www.mciu.org/gtosite/cwp/view.asp?a=819&Q=427038&gtositeNav=|9272|

KarenConna: when you go to the page, choose the second link.....

BillCon: Sometimes you can loose your place when using a smartboard because of the shadows.

KarenConna: the one with rss5 in the address

KarenConna: Tighe (sp?) from Understanding by Design, David Warlick, etc are all available here

KarenConna: at that address for listening

KarenConna: You can also get a videocast of a presentation from the author of The World is Flat....

SusanR: so lots of podcasts and webcasts

KarenConna: I don't have that link handy right now, but if you visit my office, it is featured on the welcome page. It is from a presentation at MIT

KarenConna: yes Susan - lots of casts available from the mciu site

KarenConna: these were interviews conducted by various people during the NECC conference. There is some interesting stuff there

KarenConna: I also attended a session on Technology and research....

KarenConna: the wasn't any handouts available for it, but it was a panel of Higher Ed people and the basic message was that it is very important that those of us....

BillCon: I find myself listening to my subscribed podcasts for a period of time then skipping for a couple of weeks.

KarenConna: who was using technology need to be sure to document what works. They stated that the reason we almost lost the ed tech money is because....

KarenConna: there isn't much research out there to support technology usage.

SusanR . o O (where are educators going with the web)

KarenConna: So their panel talked about importance of research and how to garner support and created a scaffold for helping teachers document their work

BrookeM joined the room.

KarenConna: educators are doing lots of promising things, but they aren't documented in formal ways

EmilyW: Brooke!!!!

BillCon waves at Brooke

KarenConna: It was quite informative and thought provoking

SusanR: we need to have educators showcase their successes ..tech fairs etc

SusanR: more grants

KarenConna nods to Susan

BrookeM: Hello guys...sorry I am late

KarenConna: and we need to partner with Higher Ed to help with the research process

KarenConna waves to Brooke

BrookeM: I came to see what I missed in Philly

SusanR: actually there is some partnering here with high school students assisting elementary school kids with projects

KarenConna: The Metiri group has several of thier presentations available at

KarenConna: http://www.metiri.com/presentations

BillCon: I think total attendees for NECC was 14,000 +-

JeffC: gotta be logged in to see it Karen

KarenConna: You shouldn't

KarenConna: let me check the address again

BrookeM: Susan that is really neat...I tried to get some hs students to come to my classroom..I even offered them community service hours

JeffC: http://www.metiri.com/presentations.html

KarenConna: try this one

KarenConna: http://www.metiri.com/presentations.html

KarenConna: thanks Jeff

JeffC: apparently you need the .html

SusanR: we have a co-op program here..

KarenConna: That sounds interesting Susan

KarenConna: is it successful? I bet the kids love it

SusanR: high school students are mandated to volunteer x amount of hours before graduating

SusanR: that's where the tech assistance comes in

JeffC: While on that subject... let me toss out a few links where students can become involved with global education: http://www.takingitglobal.org and http://www.nabuur.com

KarenConna: the nabuur site is new to me

KarenConna: thanks

BillCon: Susan showcases are great, the problem is not being able to show the research data in order to sustain funding (grant, EETT etc.)

KarenConna: the iEarn site is good for projects and sharing also.

SusanR agrees with Bill

KarenConna: There's a site called Outside My Window that might work well with K-3 also

BrookeM: Those sites are really cool...is there anything for younger kids?

BillCon: Finding a way to systematically measure achievement through data would keep the funding going and growing

KarenConna: I think it was designed for older kids, but I bet you could adapt for younger kids

KarenConna: Out time is just about up....

KarenConna: stay tuned for future SIGTC events for the fall, we're just getting out events in order....

KarenConna: sneak peak....

KarenConna: John Bransford will be doing a session,

KarenConna: we'll do a session on wikis

KarenConna: and one on tablet PCs

BrookeM: is there a way to help teachers with showing the research benefits...they are doing some great work but I am not sure all teachers know how to show case it

KarenConna: we're working on getting Marc Prensky, Andy Carvin, and Thor Prichard, but many, many more

KarenConna: watch the SIGTC room for more details.

BrookeM: KC I read and interesting article on the plane a few weeks ago about wikis

KarenConna: I might even break down and get Gary Stager to do one on robots and mathematics

BrookeM: and the debate about wikipideia

BillCon: If you not an ISTE member, please consider joining and supporting SIGTC

KarenConna: Thanks Brooke - you'll have to send it to me

EmilyW: at some point I might

SusanR: Thank you Karen and Bill for sharing...

KarenConna: you're welcome Susan!

BrookeM: WOW KC- Those are some awesome speakers....thanks for the email reminders too!!!

SusanR: and for the upcoming year....exciting

KarenConna nods

KarenConna: oh, BTW....

KarenConna: SIGTC will hold future events in the SIGTC room. Just wanted to FYI everyone

SusanR makes note of SIGTC

KarenConna: Susan, I'll try to pop in for your open house. I support reading specialists who do quite a bit with reading fluency and early reading

EmilyW decided to have an open house soon for the web design group

SusanR: I plan to repeat some of my sessions and update the links on each of the tracks

KarenConna: I will definitely talk to BJ about the open house idea

EmilyW: back to school idea

KarenConna: that would be fun to do in September with other interested groups

KarenConna: Susan, I'll send that info along to my specialists

SusanR: Back to School Open House..good theme

BrookeM smiles

KarenConna waves goodnight to everyone -- keep an eye on the SIGTC room for our event schedule

BrookeM: thanks Karen! Night everyone!