



FY 2002

# Annual Report

of the Miami Valley Educational Computer Association

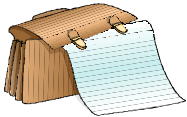
## MVECA MISSION

MVECA will work in partnership with all participating districts in a cost effective manner to ensure they have the knowledge, skills, resources, and support to use current technology to enable them to conduct their responsibilities and enhance student success.

## WHAT IS MVECA?

MVECA was established in November 1980 as a data acquisition site to provide comprehensive educational computer services to Ohio Schools in the Miami Valley. MVECA's primary function is to provide cost effective computer solutions for our member districts. These services include accounting, payroll, inventory control, student attendance, student scheduling, registration, grade reporting, INFOhio support, Ohio Career Information System, Internet access, distance learning coordination, computer networking, LAN and WAN connectivity, electronic mail, computer training, and technology support. The MVECA service covers 1,800 square miles in Clark, Clinton, Greene, Fayette, and Highland counties. MVECA has 24 member districts, and serves more than 50,000

students, staff, and administrators. MVECA is governed by a Board of Directors, consisting of seven Representatives of the Association Assembly. The Association Assembly is comprised of all member district Superintendents and Treasurers. The Association Assembly meets twice each year (November and April). The Board of Directors meets at least six times each year, and oversees the operations of MVECA. MVECA currently has ten staff members: an Executive Director, Director of Operations, Student Services Software Specialist, Student Services Coordinator, INFOhio Support Specialist, Network Specialist, Financial Software Specialist, Technology Coordinator, a Distance Learning/Interactive Video Coordinator, and a Secretary.



## ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FY 2002

This past year we have expanded our services considerably. The response to **DASL** from districts has been overwhelming, as teachers, administrators, and other staff discover its usefulness in accessing student schedules, transcripts, proficiency scores, and much more. We added an **IVDL** coordinator in July 2001, resulting in much greater use of the IDVL and IP equipment to support curricular and professional development needs. Twelve additional buildings have come into the **INFOhio** network, with more to convert in 2003. **EMIS** and **SSID** have created additional challenges for us as well as for your district EMIS staff. We continue to have as much input as possible into important decisions made at the state level regarding both the EMIS redesign and selection of new student administration software. We support your **technology** need as you continue to repair and replace your aging equipment. We have replaced and upgraded servers at MVECA to try to keep up with your need for speed and reliability. Treasurers have seen the introduction of many new **fiscal reports** and features, each necessitating training and support. We have provided Internet filtering to help districts meet CIPA requirements. Service to you is our #1 responsibility.

### STUDENT SOFTWARE SUPPORT (EMIS, SIS)

- introduced SWAN attendance program
- created manuals for EMIS Oct. reporting
- effective implementation of SSID
- VDMS training for all three county ESC's
- updated EMIS webpage
- quarterly meetings for SIS and EMIS users

### DASL (Data Analysis for Student Learning)

- new DASL website ([www2.mveca.org/dsl](http://www2.mveca.org/dsl))
- provided 11 DASL training sessions or district staff
- many new features added during 2002

### FISCAL SOFTWARE SUPPORT

- introduced SSWAT, FISCweb, MONTHLY CD
- requisition screens for building use
- USAS, USPS roundtables
- calendar and fiscal Year end meetings
- frequent and prompt communications about new releases

### INFOhio

- held users/training meetings for district media specialists
- INFOhio support, documentation available on website
- trained 25 media specialists in use of video conferencing

### DISTANCE LEARNING & INTERACTIVE VIDEO

- Summer IVDL Academy for 40 teachers
- increased usage of IVDL in Clark and Greene Co.
- provided leadership for integrating IVDL into curriculum
- sponsored VC Wizard Training
- supported implementation of ATM & IP video teleconferencing

### NETWORK AND OTHER SERVICES

- new website design
- all ATM's installed
- new caching setup
- new filtering software
- replaced K-12 server
- provided consulting and purchasing services
- prompt phone and helpdesk support
- various network upgrades and installations
- updates through emails and MVECA newsletters
- sponsored 78 trainings and meetings at MVECA

## MONEY MATTERS

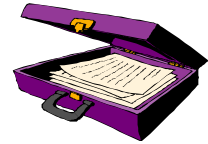


MVECA receives funding from two main sources: state subsidy and local fees paid by member districts for services. We also receive a small amount of funds from interest income, but that amount is not significant, nor reliable. We strive to keep three months of operating expenses available at all times as contingency. We have been able to maintain such a balance and keep our fees among the lowest in the state. We are non-profit. All MVECA funds are used to provide services to our member districts.

MVECA INCOME		FY 02		MVECA EXPENSES		FY 02	
<b>Local Sources</b>							
Member Fees for services (USPS, SIS, OCIS, INFOhio)	\$	339,837		Purchased Services	\$	59,677	
Member fees for MVECA-Net equipment access		640,060		Repair/maintenance		175,637	
Districts equipment maintenance fees		33,098		Building rental		24,763	
EMIS - from districts		102,293		Lease purchase		72,290	
<b>State Sources</b>							
EMIS - from state		70,861		Communications		652,416	
INFOhio		36,000		Utilities/other purchased services		4,894	
Other Intergovernmental revenues		964,034		Supplies/materials		46,423	
<b>Other: Interest income</b>							
		16,015		New equipment		67,071	
				Replacement equipment		43,460	
				Dues, fees paid (MCOECN, DASL, EPC)		28,024	
				Salaries & Fringe benefits		617,895	
				Travel/meeting expenses		20,412	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>2,202,198</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,812,962</b>

### A LOOK AHEAD FOR MVECA

- \*completion of a full network security audit (planned for Nov. 2002)
- \*continued support of wireless and other emerging technology
- \*support of further expansion and development of DASL software
- \*planning for the migration of school library automation to SIRSI
- \*additional MVECA support to districts with network issues and equipment repair needs
- \*examination of the fee structure to more accurately reflect actual cost of providing services
- \*implementation of new HelpDesk software to improve our service and response time (Spring 2003)
- \*acquisition of a new web-based student management software that is affordable and effective
- \*address need for additional space in current facility as well as additional staff to serve your needs
- \*conversion of MVECA to Service Provider status for greater eRate discounts (effective July 2003)
- \*work with legislators to eliminate further reductions in funding from state for services provided by DA sites
- \*continue to facilitate EMIS reporting changes as a result of addition of unique EMIS student ID number (SSID)
- \*increase use and reliability of IVDL/IP video conferencing equipment for professional development and curricular uses
- \*facilitate coordination of services among regional service providers to avoid duplication of efforts and save money for districts



### A Final Word...

**MVECA is YOUR organization, working for YOU. We sincerely welcome your comments and feedback. Please feel free to contact us at any time.**

### MVECA BOARD MEMBERS 2002-2003

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