



Curriculum & Technology Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 2, 2016 in District Conference Room

Attendees: Dawn Heine (Chair), Kelly Spletzer; Dr. Dressler; Mr. DiBello; Dr. Goodin; Mrs. Bast; Mr. Webb; Mrs. Gardy; Mrs. Long; Mr. Cromley

Curriculum:

I. Acceptance of last month's minutes

II. **Good news:** Eash Aggarwal, was selected as a semifinalist in the Intel Science Talent Search (most prestigious such competition in the US). Eash is one of only 5 semi-finalists in the entire state of Pennsylvania. Spring-Ford Senior High School which will soon count among its distinguished alumni another rising star of science. Eash has accepted early admission to the University of Pennsylvania.

III. Updates:

- A. STEAM update (Mrs. Bast) Progress on Action Plan – continuing as presented in the plan. Looking at courses, gaps, what we can add.
- B. K-6 Curriculum Work- Mrs. Gardy has done tremendous work to the curriculum framework and documents and is sharing it with teachers so they can continue the work and have the curriculum ready to go this Spring.
- C. In-Service planning 2/12/16- Department chairs have designed learning experiences for their departments, others are continuing curriculum work.

Curriculum & Technology:

I. Modernized learning update

	Updates/information	Next steps
9-12 Project	WE are planning another cohort for next year, with the same training we provided this year. We will fully utilize the money in the budget to maximize the number of teachers and students in the program.	A full presentation will be made to the board in April 2016.
Hybrid at RES	We are moving forward with Hybrid in 3 rd grade at RES for next year. We will begin communicating with RES parents and teachers now, and continue to communicate clearly and often with staff and parents as we move forward.	A full presentation will be made to the board in April 2016.

Technology:

Projects

Project	Timeline/Dates for more information	Date of Decision/Action
<p>Pilot: Monitoring solution: We are looking for a product to see how the network is working and be proactive about fixing problems before they occur. Cost hasn't been fully explored yet, but should be around \$20,000, annual maintenance cost would be incurred. *Remember to check on laws regarding emails, etc. and other regulations.</p>	<p>Narrowed down from 3 applications to 2 applications. Pilot will conclude on 2/19. Requirements sheet has been built and testing the two products based on our requirements.</p>	<p>2/26 a decision will be made based on a requirements checklist and determine how to fund it</p>
<p>Proactive copier work: Research has concluded and have determined the copiers with the most issues and service issues we've been facing.* Think about adding a budget line item in building budgets (maintenance, paper, etc.)</p>	<p>1/29 to complete the delivery of the consumables that often need replaced to store onsite; Will have an update on 2/19.</p>	<p>2/12 to complete information cards at each copier to call support for any messages on the copier.</p>
<p>Website options/ investigation: Working through two vendors to supply information, costs, demonstration for a new internal/external website. Requirements have been formed initially by marketing and technology.</p> <p>One vendor has concluded their review and a requirements review. Next steps is an onsite visit. Second vendor has been contacted to work through our requirements to setup a demo.</p>	<p>A committee of stakeholders will be brought in for demonstrations for each solution.</p>	<p>2/19 will have more information. Looking for a 2016 launch once a decision has been made.</p>
<p>Office 365 email solution: To go back to the cloud...1/29 Onsite Vendor worked through a session with our technology team for a timeline and requirements document for the rollout. Once complete the funding will be initial \$3,000 to setup the connection and a \$400 a year maintenance fee. No additional costs through Microsoft as we already are paying through our EES agreement through Microsoft.</p>	<p>Still ironing out details with Microsoft 365. Looking at all options, risks, etc. including doing nothing.</p>	<p>2/5 (may be a little later) a decision will be made to go with Office 365 email cloud to remove internal mail from our data center.</p>
<p>Telephone system replacement: Board indicated that we did start putting money away in the budget (2 years ago) because we knew there would be a need for a phone system (so this is a capital reserve savings project).</p>	<p>2/5 will work with one of our vendors to go through our review and requirements. Solutions will be discussed during this meeting, including doing nothing.</p>	<p>Ongoing. This is a capital reserve savings plan as this would be a full replacement of our existing telephone system complete with end user telephones.</p>