

Technology Advisory Committee Meeting
4/25/2005 6:30 p.m. Administration Bldg.
Meeting Notes

Present: Lois Andrews, Steve Dixon, Bob Furst, Dave Kapuler, Barbara Kulp, Craig Nicholas, Roger Northrop, Theo Rigopoulos, Colleen Sonnefeldt, Jim Spenner, Christopher Westgor, Edward Worden

New Membership

- Because of the large amount of new members, each member took time to introduce themselves.

Agenda Item: Last meeting's notes review

Agenda Item: Technology in District 57

- To bring the new membership up-to-date, Bob Furst presented the "state of technology" in District 57.

Agenda Item: Technology Plan Initiative Highlights

Technology Curriculum

- The Technology Curriculum Committee has completed a draft of Technology Performance Indicators. The basis for these Performance Indicators is the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)'s National Education Technology Standards for Students NETS•S. Reference <http://cnets.iste.org/>
- The TAC group discussed the nature and reasons for this type of curriculum.
- The TAC group is most welcomed to provide comments and suggestions for additional *performance indicators* for the Technology Curriculum.
- Among suggested technology resources was <http://www.Kidzonline.org> as a resource for the Technology Curriculum.

On Line assessments

- The week of April 25 has grades 3-5 doing Assess2Learn testing. The Junior High will follow in the 1st week of May.
- This online testing system not only provides immediate results as each student finishes the test, but also scoring for classroom teachers to assess the topics for which their students need additional help.
- The group was also shown StudyIsland which is used as practice for the ISAT testing in the Spring.

Library Automation

- The District will be upgrading its Library Automation System to Follett Destiny.

Wireless at Lincoln

- Lincoln is expanding its wireless access in a secure manner.

Replacement

- Grades K-3 in both EIEs are scheduled to get replacement computers this summer. Lincoln is scheduled for replacement computers as well

Agenda Item: Field Trip Report!

District 15, Kimball Hill School

- On February 25th, Kerry Swalwell, Rich Benson, Diane Goodman, Dan Kowalski, and Bob Furst had taken a trip to the Kimball Hill School in Palatine. Their presentation included information about their student information system, classroom technology, students video production, and the Owen Garriot Space Center.

Foundation

Dan Walsh gave the group information about Foundation activities including the success of the Dinner Dance in March as well as their grant process for staff.

Agenda Item: Technology in our classrooms

- Dave Kapuler presented to the group. He highlighted pages on the Lions Park Web Site that communicate technology utilized throughout the school. He also showcased some PowerPoint slide shows authored by 4th and 5th graders.

New Business

- The group discussed options for the District to better utilize network bandwidth via cache servers, Wide area network wireless and additional T1 circuit(s)
- Bob Furst briefly mentioned a national program called iSafe (<http://www.isafe.org>) It is basically an Internet Safety awareness program for Students, Parents and Staff.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

SY 2005-06 meeting dates

(All dates are Monday @ 6:30pm):

- August 29, 2005
 - October 24, 2005
 - Dec 5, 2005
 - Feb. 27, 2006
 - April 24, 2006
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Handouts:

1. Membership List
2. Last meeting Notes
3. Technology Overview
4. Technology Curriculum Draft