

**PERU PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 124 BOARD OF EDUCATION
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2009, 3:45 P.M.**

Present: Cindy Gustat, Mark Lamboley, C.G. Pillai

Others Present: Mark Cross, Sherri Pannier, Debbie Pletsch, Sally Kampwerth, Julie Jenkins

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 p.m. by Committee Chairperson Cindy Gustat.

TECHNOLOGY PLAN UPDATE

The three year district technology plan will be up for revision next year and it must be submitted in February of 2010 for approval. Year one of the plan will need to be submitted in October, 2009 prior to filing for the E-rate Form 470. Sherri would like to have any surveys created for this plan distributed and tallied this April because of time constraints when school starts and when year one needs to be submitted. The revision of this technology plan will include the analysis of the survey data, ISAT data, RTI district planning/data, School Improvement Plans information and various other programs we have. Administrators and Technology Committee members will be asked to help with the plan.

Sherri also discussed the idea of getting a Technology Curriculum/Professional Development team together this Fall. Since there will be different grade levels in the buildings next year, we need to examine the technology curriculum (which includes software) and what training teachers need. Everyone agreed that this plan should move forward.

WEB-BASED PROGRAMS UPDATE

The district website, accelerated reader, and TeacherEase/Common Goal will all be looked at over the next few months to plan for the school name and grade level changes. Some programs will require more time to adjust than others.

INTERNET SAFETY LAW

School districts need to have an internet safety program/curriculum in place by the start of the 2009-10 school year for grades three through twelve. Sherri will attend an ROE meeting in April with area tech coordinators to draft a first year curriculum. There are also online programs you can use.

SUMMER MOVING/SUMMER SCHOOL

There was discussion about moving computers at the end of May. It would be nice to have Washington students assist the last two days to carry computers out of the rooms at Washington. Northview needs to have all the computers brought over to Washington during the last week. Teachers will be given laptops to work with the last few days. Sean, Sherri and Sue will make sure everything gets labeled properly before they are moved.

Roosevelt will continue with summer school and will still need an internet connection. With the moving of the T1 lines this summer between the schools, this could become an issue. We will have to meet with an AT&T rep to see how we can let RV have a connection for a couple weeks and move the line to the appropriate building later. This may cause some delays with technology setup in one of the buildings. Usually all lines are 'moved' and connected at one time.

2009-10 HARDWARE/EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

There will no major computer purchases for Northview or Washington. We will be looking to purchase one LCD projector for each grade level at Washington (total of 3). Northview may need an additional LCD depending on the use of the one they have. Both Northview and Washington will also need one new printer, and possibly two.

PARKSIDE TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND BIDS

After hearing back from the architects and the cost of installing smartboards in all the classrooms, it was decided to put only two smartboards in each grade level and one in the computer lab. This will allow the district to determine if this will be a valuable resource for all students, and the district can utilize a teacher-trainer model if the smartboard program is expanded. Discussion of additional mobile labs was also brought up do to the fact that Parkside will have an additional grade level and computer classes. It was concluded that this appeared to be necessary.

The committee was then presented with the bids for the networking, audio-visual, and phone systems. Further clarification will be needed on some of the bids at the time of the meeting and those updates and final recommendations will be made to the board on the March 18th meeting.

The Technology Committee adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Committee Chairperson

Superintendent