
MOKENA SCHOOL DISTRICT 159
Board Technology Committee

Minutes

November 29, 2011
7:00 pm – MES S126

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE:

Joe Spalla, Mark Franceschini, Steve Hastings, Chuck Vitton, Kim Klappauf, Jennifer Macie, Amy Edmier

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joe Spalla, Mark Franceschini, Steve Hastings, Chuck Vitton, Kim Klappauf, Jennifer Macie, Amy Edmier

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

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- Approve October 18, 2011 minutes
- Discuss Technology Plan documents
 - Discuss short and long term technology goals
- Discuss next steps with district's website
- Discuss current/next steps with regard to audio-visuals of Board meetings
- Discussion on Technology Plan template

WHAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED:

1. Minutes from October 18, 2011 were approved.
2. Mr. Hastings reviewed the PowerPoint presentation being constructed for eventual presentation to the full Board of Education. A few points were made:
 - Add an infrastructure slide to the presentation (we currently have limited wireless capabilities, only a 10 meg pipe, etc).
 - Perhaps garner input from staff on how teaching has changed in the past 10 years and how technology supports instructional practice.
 - Include information on how CCSS and PARCC will affect the technology needs of the district.
 - Need to state that the district needs to develop a replacement plan to cycle through technology...we cannot afford to financially wait until all of the technology needs to be replaced in one fiscal year.

- Prioritize the "Servers" page, with Lunchbox, STI Payroll, and STI Web Server and Database Server as the biggest areas of concern in terms of age.
 - Prioritize the "Software" page with Follett and Lunchbox as areas of most concern.
3. District Website: Mr. Hastings presented his current template for the District website. The plan, at this time, would be to pilot the DO page in January, follow that up with conversion of the MJHS site, and then finish MES and MIS by the end of the school year.
 4. AV at Board Meetings: New system works pretty well, given the limits of the four microphones in use. The members of the Board need to be sure to use the microphones at all times. Mr. Hastings' plan is to record the January meeting on audio and upload that to the District website. It was discussed that the Board needs a policy on posting audio to the website (timeframe for posting on the website after the meeting).
 5. The Technology Plan template was presented to the committee and it was discussed that it can be modified from when we were required to submit the Plan to the state for purposes of E-Rate. Dr. Vitton will pull the template apart and bring revisions to the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING GOALS:

1. Tour Tech Department
2. Complete work on PowerPoint
3. Update on District website
4. Work on Tech Plan components

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Wednesday, December 14, 2011 – 7:00 pm at MES (Room S126)