Meeting Agenda for the Technology Committee November 30th, 2017

1. Referendum, replacement tech for classrooms moving forward.

Referendum passed.

Part of the referendum will be used to replace old equipment. What is the plan for replacing SMART Board and projectors? You can no longer get SMART Board they now only make SMART TVs. SMART TV displays are 6,000 dollars.

We can replace projector bulbs but the older the projector the faster they go through bulbs. Depending on how many bulbs a projector goes through bulbs can be just as costly as just getting a new projector.

Have we looked at IPEVO (Makes any surface an interactive surface)? It works with SMART Notebook and more cost effective. Still need a projector.

How much will be left after replacing the lab computers?

How many teachers are using the interactive features of a Smart Board?

What do teachers use their SMART Board for?

Is there a different option to control your computer from a different location? We had Airliner, which allowed users to control their computer from a different location, when Brian first started but teachers seemed to prefer SMART Boards.

2. Technology space in MS breakout room(s).

The Middle School breakout room could be a technology exploration space. It is temperature controlled all year. Teachers and students would be able to explore the technology options.

It could be a proving ground to get technology. If a teacher wanted a specific device in their classroom they could demonstrate in the exploration space how they would use it in their classroom.

With class sizes getting larger and larger is this even going to be a usable space in the future?

It is not a very secured location. The security of the room would change if it became a technology exploration room.

How often does the breakout room get scheduled out? There is a class scheduled in there each trimester. It get used for other big events.

SCSU has a curriculum and technology center. Can we tap into other resources for teachers trying out?

Is there other spaces available for an exploration room?

Giving it to a teacher with the stipulation that they need to work with other teachers?

What about the DEF?

Not an easy access location. It could be a plan b location.

Jake, Mary and Mike have a meeting time set up to discuss this with secondary administration.

How much equipment could be put away? The drop in center is not used during the day. I

What if we found teachers to adopt the technology but they had to be willing to work with other teachers?

I think idea is to use it as a collaborative workspace.

Conference room in the at the end of the hall or behind Shannon?

It should be for a classroom size.

The space would be used as a District space.

Technology ideas for the space:

Smart Display Makerspace 3D Printers Laptops

We should maybe survey the staff to see if that is an interest of a room? We need to go back to our teachers and see what they are using and what they want.

These are things to think about between meetings.

3. Other.

Office 365 – more and more people are using it. You need to close the browser when students are presenting at a teachers computer. The accounts get crossed and files end up being lost. This has happened to multiple teachers. This is what the shared folders are for.

Office Edge won't let some people log out at all.

Any updates on the website? This is the next project on the forefront. Hopefully, continue conversations in January and be ready to switch over during the summer.

Next meeting will show the budget.

Are we still give grant technology money? We will decide if we will still do this in the spring or take them as they come. This will be part of next meeting agenda.

The next meeting is in January.

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