

Technology Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Notes

Wednesday, March 19, 2014, 4:30-5:30pm, **Franklin Pierce High School – Corrigan Room**

Welcome

Tablets

Update: The tablets have finally arrived. The techs are working to get them all set up for deployment next week to the first 4 learning walls. As a reminder the tablets at this point are a teaching aide, there will be no keyboards at this time. All of the tablets will work with a USB keyboard. For staff to be able to receive the tablet they will be required to attend one of the 8 trainings where they will watch the 8 minute Atomic Learning video as well as go over basic information about the tablets. The first training is simply to get them to start using the tablet. Later we will offer more in-depth trainings.

Monday, March 24th

Central Avenue, Library, 8:15-9:15am
District Office, Board Room, 4:15-5:15pm

Tuesday, March 25th

James Sales, Computer Lab, 7:40-8:40am
Midland, Library, 4:30-5:30pm

Wednesday, March 26th

Brookdale, Library, 7:40-8:40am
WHS, Library, 4:15-5:15pm

Thursday, March 27th

Harvard, Library, 7:45-8:45am
District Office, C-View Room, 4:15-5:15pm

WiDi Installation

Update: The first 4 learning walls got their WiDi installed over Mid-Winter break. Once the teacher's receive their tablets they will be able to start using the WiDi with their projectors. TAC members if you have a newer projector or document camera you will be able to use the WiDi technology as well.

Action: If you do not have a WiDi currently and would like to have one please put in an IT work order and we will get one out to you.

Tablets for students

Update: The question has already come up of when we are getting tablets for students. This is something that we would like to do in the future but we want to make sure that we get them to the teachers first.

Students logging into teachers tablets

Update: Students are unable to log into staff technology, so at this point you will not be able to hand the tablet to a student and have them sign in with their log-in or the generic student login for the school.

NCCE Conference

Update: Several members of the committee were able to attend the conference last week. We will be having a meeting with those who attended and debrief with them. Once this happens then we will come back to the TAC group with a little more information. There is a lot of web-based software that is out or coming out in the near future. WiDi and tablets are definitely the upcoming thing and we seem to be ahead of a lot of others with the technology. Rosita's biggest take away was that as soon as a piece of technology comes out there is something new right behind it that is even bigger and better.

Action: When you get a moment check out OneNote and EverNote. Both are virtual spiral notebooks.

Office 365 for students

Update: Eventually we will be rolling Office 365 out to students. We want to make sure that all staff and teachers are comfortable using the system first. Along with this comes figuring out the best time and training method for the roll out. There is also the legal issue of younger kids having email addresses.

District Technology Plan

Update: Every 4 years the district is required to submit a 4 year District Technology plan to OSPI. As Technology is an ever changing world this is a basic over view of what we plan to accomplish. In order to be eligible for E-Rate we are required to submit the technology plan.

Action: Please take a few minutes to review the plan that is on the TAC SharePoint. If you have any suggestions please send them Liza.