

Renton Technology Coordinating Council (RTCC)

Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2020

ATTENDING

Ellen Dorr, Gioia Pitts, Thomas Caudle, Kevin Smith, Kevin Takisaki, Bob Ettinger, Kalisa Amparo, Barbara Folmer, Tom Howley, Kerrie Thornton, Dr. Avanti Bergquist, Karen Soine, Shari Mann, Dominique Tryon, Rachel Sherin, Jason Franklin, Colin Falk, Rahman Abdul, and Cathy Gonzalez

AGENDA

- [Welcome and Introductions](#)
- [Innovation Sharing](#)
- [Team Updates](#)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ellen welcomed the members of RTCC and asked the members to introduce themselves with their name, role, and how they have been doing these past two months (with the COVID-19 pandemic and school closure, as well as the killing of George Floyd and subsequent protests across the country). Due to the personal nature of individual responses, these will not be included in the minutes.

WHAT DOES AN ANTI-RACIST DEPARTMENT LOOK LIKE?

In light of the recent events and continued demonstration of institutional racism in this country, Ellen asked the Technology Leadership Team what an anti-racist department looked like. She shared some examples including:

- Prioritizing schools for the 1:1 pilot with larger populations of underserved students
- Eliminating policy requiring signatures for tech use
- Ensuring that all students receive quality technology
- Not purchasing classroom monitoring software
- Distributing voice
- Prioritizing student and family input

MINUTES REVIEW

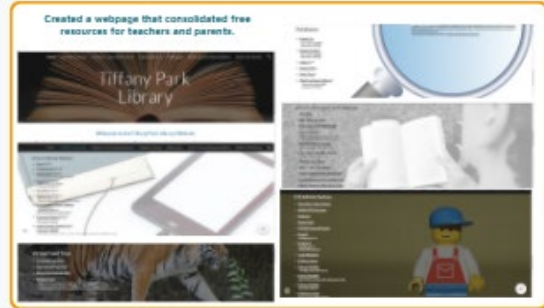
The minutes were reviewed with no corrections or clarifications

INNOVATION SHARING

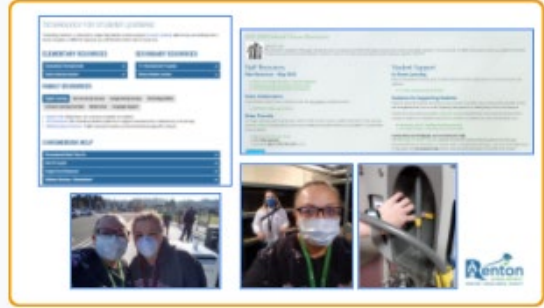
The committee was asked to prepare presentation slides to share innovations that have happened as a result of the school closure.

RTCC Member	Share Out
<p>Gioia Pitts, Dimmitt Middle School Principal Dimmitt Weekly Lunch Bunch: A weekly gathering where the school community can get together for trivia, competitions, and discuss topics that the students choose.</p>	
<p>Thomas Caudle, Hazen High School Assistant Principal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adapt and Overcome! Build out people’s capacity to use Digital Tools, such as CANVAS. Increase in Depth of Knowledge 	
<p>Kevin Takisaki, Talley High School Assistant Principal Keeping a sense of community through virtual platforms.</p>	
<p>Kalisa Amparo, Maplewood Heights 4th Grade Teacher</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flat Teacher (Flat Stanley) Sending students items through the US Mail 	
<p>Rachel Sherin, Sierra Heights Elementary Librarian Finding free resources in math, science, other languages, e-books and read-aloud materials to help staff and students.</p>	

Shari Mann, Tiffany Park Librarian
 Finding a lot of resources and consolidating them into one place for others to enjoy.



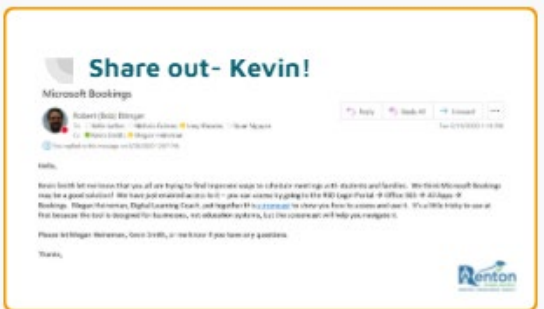
Kerrie Thornton, Administrative Assistant to the Chief Technology Officer
 Districtwide collaboration to get information and resources out into the community.



Mark Sabo, CTE Facilitator
 The development of Computer Science, Business and Marketing pathways.



Kevin Smith, CTE Director
 Microsoft bookings!



Karen Soine, Assistant Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment
 Digital Signatures!



<p>Barbara Folmer, District Website Coordinator Increased website traffic and quality communication to families.</p>	
<p>Bob Ettinger, Director of Digital Learning Creative communication coming from Technology Integration Specialists throughout the District.</p>	
<p>Rahman Abdul, Director of Customer Service The Technology Services Customer Service team is working on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remote Support • Device collection and redeployment • Continuing with flat panel installation • And managing inventory and surplus 	
<p>Tom Howley, Director of Infrastructure The Technology Services Infrastructure team is working on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone calling solutions • Video conferencing solutions • Hotspot acquisition • Website and RSDnet updates 	
<p>Ellen Dorr, Chief Technology Officer Spring Chromebook Distribution w/physical distancing.</p>	

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting went over time and was adjourned following the innovation sharing.