Rye Neck Schools

RYE NECK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
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MAMARONECK, NEW YORK 10543

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 11, 2026

Present: Mary Lanza, Director of Technology and Communications
Michael Burke, Superintendent of Schools
Trustee Alex Rainert
Jason Berndt
Michael Gillespie
Meghan Keane Graham
Leslie Lam
Ilissa Miller
Mary Ellen Chiera, District Clerk

I. Opening of Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. AI Share Fair Recap

Mrs. Lanza explained that on the last early release day, the District ran workshops for teachers on different AI programs. The different teachers ran the sessions. Some of the programs included Notebook, Diffit, ChatGPT, and School AI. This was geared towards teachers getting comfortable with AI and for them to learn how they can make use of the different programs professionally.

III. Committee Recommendations for AI in Schools

Next, Mrs. Lanza reviewed the Committee's feedback on AI in schools and some of the topics they feel should be taken into consideration for each of the focus areas. With regard to vision and alignment, they believe that human skills have to remain the most important - for instance, what are the things that can't be done with AI. There should be a very clear statement of how tech is involved and the purpose and approach to AI. In addition, the District should create a Rye Neck Red, Yellow and Green for teachers and students. They need teacher feedback in this regard.

With regard to community and stakeholder engagement, the District should set guidelines, not policies. It should be a fluid, living document that gets updated annually. There should be a place that shows what tools the District is using and why. The District should host an AI roundtable where the school can share their AI policies and parents can ask questions.

With regard to instructional core, they should consider whether or not AI fits into the unit; when to use it and why it's appropriate; and using measurement when developing the lens/vision. It doesn't have to be part of every unit.

With regard to assessments and learning design, we should create opportunities for showing mastery/performance; teacher feedback has to be part of the grading, not solely AI; and project based learning should be used.

With regard to AI literacy and skills, students should be prompted on ways to use AI to enhance learning, we should offer an AI class to Middle School students on how to use it productively; and we should encourage students to learn and develop their skills.

With regard to ethics and human rights, student privacy has to be upheld; there should be no student information entered into LLM - all names should be redacted.

With regard to professional development, there should be training and info sessions for teachers.

IV. <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Ellen Chiera
District Clerk