

Technology Advisory Group Meeting

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| Meeting Date: | November 21, 2023 |
| Meeting Start/EndTime: | 8:00am - 9:00am |
| Meeting Location: | WSHS Room 201 |
| Members Present: | Kevin Flies, Robbie Brown, Lisa Deneff, Christian Siech, Jeremy Graves, Mindy Reinardy, Stacy Rasmussen, Brandon Mehling, Amber Mlynczak, Erica Upton, Kristie O'Brien |
| Other Attendees: | |



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| <p><i>Our Vision:</i> A safe and inclusive community of compassionate, curious and resilient lifelong learners..</p> | <p><i>Our Mission:</i> Inspire curiosity, empower resilience, engage community.</p> |
| <p><i>District Belief Statements:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We believe that public schools should serve and engage students, families, staff and the community. • We believe learning and teaching is maximized in a safe, respectful and inclusive environment. • We believe every individual's diversity and experience is valued. • We believe healthy relationships are crucial for the success of our schools. • We believe that every student can achieve to the best of their ability. • We believe all decisions should be focused on students and their success. | <p><i>Core Values:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety: Everyone's physical and emotional well-being is a priority. • Integrity: Everyone does the right thing and makes positive choices, even if it is difficult. • Inclusivity: Everyone belongs, is valued and is heard. • Equity: Everyone has the opportunities, access, information and support provided in the individual way they need it. • Respect: Everyone's differences are recognized, acknowledged and celebrated. |
| <p><i>Committee Purpose and Collective Commitments:</i> The purpose of the Technology Advisory Group is to serve as an advisory group in the planning, implementation and support of district instructional technology initiatives. Support advancements in technology which meet the district's strategic directions. Provide excellent educational experiences through technology. Support classroom technology integration and instructional coaching. Support district operations. Recommend strategies for innovation and improvements in technology. Support district staff through professional development opportunities.</p> | |

| <u>Agenda Item:</u> | <u>Person Responsible:</u> | <u>Discussion/Action:</u> <u>(Minutes)</u> |
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| Classroom Displays | Kevin Flies Robbie Brown Christian Siech | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Status of secondary pilots for SMARTboards & TVs: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. SMART Boards - working with teachers on use of SMART Mirror and Miracast for wireless connections to the SMART Boards. Wired and SMART Mirror connections working well. Continuing to troubleshoot issues with Miracast. b. TVs/Airtame - Airtame connections to TVs being tested in the pilot classrooms at WMS/WSHS for mirroring staff/student devices wirelessly to the TVs. Scheduling a call with Airtame support to troubleshoot some connection issues. New feature updates from Airtame will be evaluated to assist with any connection issues. c. Expansion of pilot - Consideration for adding additional classrooms to the secondary pilot of both SMART Board and TV display technologies. Will make a decision once we have resolved the connectivity questions. d. Survey - Planning for a staff survey to gather information on teacher use of classroom display technology to assist with developing a recommendation for the secondary classrooms. |
| Digital Resource Evaluation | Kevin Flies Lisa Deneff | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify members of this group who will work on evaluating digital resources used in WAPS schools relating to how the tools are being utilized, possible duplication of resources and usage levels. 2. Components of the evaluation will include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ensuring MN Student Data Privacy Law requirements and communications are being met. b. Review of WAPS supported digital resources (core applications). c. Review of 3rd party apps being used by WAPS staff. d. Analytics of current usage levels e. FY25 technology budget needs for digital resources. f. Development of a future evaluation & approval process for digital resources. |
| Staff Survey | Jeremy Graves | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a staff technology survey to gather data regarding: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Digital resource usage. b. AI (artificial intelligence) usage, interest and support needs. c. Secondary classroom display technology. d. Other poll questions to be determined. |

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| | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Determine next steps, timeline and which group members will work on developing the survey. Goal to have a draft survey review ready for December meeting. |
| SMART Training | Kevin Flies | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Reminder: SMART product training on 12/5 & 12/12. Training will be held at WSHS Learning Commons 9:30-11:30 each day. |
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