Information Technology Advisory Committee
June 15, 2020 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Meeting Notes

Call to Order  4:36 PM

Carlos Del Valle called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. Roll call is as follows:

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• Other Staff Present: Information Security Manager April Mardock, Director of Enterprise Applications and Data Services Nancy Petersen.

BYOD Recommendations

Carlos reviews the BOYD Recommendations slide.

Elizabeth has a question about teachers accessibility while working from home. April said Amazon donated earbuds. Elizabeth asks could we have a learn from home pack for students. Carlos ask Nancy if we’ve thought about this in the past. Nancy says they didn’t budget but there is a budget for teacher laptops but not sure they’ve added headsets. Carlos says we so have money for instructional technology and he’ll follow up.

Roy ask if there is a way to monitor how well the BOYD program is working. Nancy says Lincoln liked BOYD and the people at Lincoln were happy with the program and had some suggestions. One of the main challenges were kids that brought Mac’s wanted other laptops for compatibility. Roy follows up asking is there a plan to gather the information as the BOYD program grows. Nancy is going to look into that.

Marcello says they should have a minimum bar for antivirus on laptops. April says the Network is set up. They’re expecting guests to get to the internet and Office 365 and they don’t have direct access to the server.

Peter ask if the BOYD program at 10% allow us to do the 1-1 laptop program effectively. Carlos replies it will cover some of the elementary school and we have the funding to support purchases for those devices. Nancy says we’ve guessed 10% for elementary. It’ll be lower than other grades when parents are purchasing devices for their students. The extra laptops would be to fill in for middle school laptops or aging devices. Eventually we’re going to replace the older equipment. Carlos also says that any equipment we buy, because of COVID, we can apply for reimbursement for federal funding.
Nina asked if the cost avoidance for this year will carry past the COVID response. Is it a year-to-year estimate or just an estimate for this year? Carlos says the hope is to move this device program forward. Marcello asked if the refresh cycle is two or four years. Nancy until this point, we haven’t had a refresh cycle. Nancy says the pandemic is the catalyst but to think of this program for the long term.

Motion to make BOYD program recommendation across all grades. Elizabeth motioned. James seconded.

Carlos asked the group on a Laptop vs iPad recommendation for K-2 1-1. Which device is the most cost effective and fulfills the requirements for students – this is also taking into consideration the Amazon donations, 10% BOYD and laptop carts.

Elizabeth asked if the recommendation is iPads, would the K-2 teachers be receiving devices as well. Carlos says they can make that recommendation. Carlos says the learning departments recommendation is iPads. Elizabeth asks if they can put teachers receiving iPads in the recommendation to be added to the cost. TuesD mentions if it’s not in the budget, where does the teacher support come from.

Roy suggested the recommendation goes under Academic Access. Marcello says the second recommendation is making sure the current systems are compatible for everyone.

Elizabeth says the teachers are going to be required to use laptops for work as well as work on the iPads with their students. She’s aware it’s an additional cost and they’ll need to look at it how to make it work.

Carlos goes through each item page and request input. James says somewhere on the recommendation it should mention teachers need to have other technology tools.

Christine says to make sure we think about the IAs and they should be on the same platform as the teachers and students.

James suggested adding “and their teachers” to the blue box at the top of the recommendation. Elizabeth asked for teacher recommendation to be added under Academic Access. James asks if IAs are able to bring their own devices. Elizabeth says her IAs devices were not set up as district devices and that presented some security issues. Nancy says there’s money set aside for getting IAs devices.

James says there are security issues with IAs bringing their own devices. April says we do BOYD for staff working at home because of COVID and they set up security for those devices.

Peter asked how does teacher training fit in this recommendation. Is that something worth putting in the recommendation? Carlos says they can put it in the consideration.

Molly asked if we should add a professional development to the recommendation. Carlos added language for professional development in the recommendation.

Carlos says if we go with laptops, they go to our warehouse for imaging around September or October. Motion to approve the use of iPads for K-2 and laptops for 3-5. James motioned Peter seconded.

Carlos will update the information with ITACs input and send it to Jolynn with both recommendations.

Open Comments

Elizabeth thanks Carlos for using the ITAC Committee as a resource.
Molly says the carts they have at elementary school are much better for middle school. Nancy says they have a lot of carts available now. They’ll be looking at what to do with K-2 devices if students coming into schools.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Adjourn**

Elizabeth motioned for the meeting to adjourn. Marcello seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

**Next Meeting**

Monday, July 20, 2020