



District-wide Technology Committee Meeting

Monday, March 26, 2018; 4:00 p.m.

Central Administration Office Board Room

Minutes

Members Present: Superintendent Douglas Sullivan, Mrs. Kristi Meidinger (Heart River), Mrs. Chantal Heth (Jefferson Elementary), Mrs. Rebecca Bautz (Prairie Rose Elementary), Mrs. Jackie Glaser (Prairie Rose Elementary), Ms. Kelly Jahn (Lincoln Elementary), Mrs. Ruth McCabe (Lincoln Elementary), Mrs. Lexi Steiner (Roosevelt Elementary), Mrs. Laura Kelly (Jefferson Elementary), Mr. Brent Seaks (Board Member), Mrs. Tanya Rude (Board Member), Mr. Mitchell Murphy (Technology Coordinator), Mrs. Laura Hondl (Technology Specialist), and Mr. Ryan Dukart (Technology Specialist).

Members Absent: Mr. Brian Ham (Dickinson High School), Mrs. Elisa Kensinger (Dickinson High School), Mr. Christopher Kovash (Dickinson Middle School), Mrs. Kim Goodall (Dickinson Middle School), Mrs. Danielle Kappel (Dickinson Middle School), Mrs. Cil Skabo (Community Member), Mrs. Stacy Northrop (Educational Technology), Mrs. Andrea Dvorak (Heart River Elementary), Ms. Emily Bren (Roosevelt Elementary).

Call to Order: Superintendent Sullivan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Norms: The meeting norms were available on the agenda.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda Items: There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

Approval of February 22, 2018, Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Meidinger moved to approve the meeting minutes, as presented. Ms. Jahn seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Business Topics

Embedded Technology – Dr. Sullivan asked for comments on how the embedded technology was going in the buildings. Mrs. Meidinger stated that there will be two new third grade teachers at Heart River and the pilot teachers have not been decided yet. Fourth and fifth are adjusting well, however with teachers leaving and transferring that is starting to affect the pilot. Mrs. Kelly stated that having more devices have helped with library skills. Mrs. Heth stated that things are going well and the devices are used a lot. Mrs. Glaser commented that it is very difficult for her to do classroom projects as there are not enough devices for her students so she has to borrow the 4th grade cart. She is working on getting her students' parents to approve Gmail accounts. Mrs. Glaser inquired about getting Google Chrome installed. Mrs. Hondl stated that Google does not allow the state filter to filter images; this would allow students to search and be able to view inappropriate images. The sites would still be blocked; however, the pictures would be visible. Mr. Dukart stated that the extension can be pushed through GSuite and would then be accessible for the students on different browsers. Dr. Sullivan stated that until the state filter can filter all Google items, Chrome would not be installed. Mr. Seaks asked if we could contact the state and somehow get them to make Google work. Mr. Murphy stated that he has requested multiple times for the state to fix this issue and Google makes it

impossible for the state to filter. Mrs. Meidinger asked for clarification on whether the high school is using chrome or not. Mrs. Hondl will contact Mr. Ham and get clarification. Mrs. McCabe stated that Mrs. Conrad in second grade would be doing the pilot. Mr. Kuntz does not have his Google Classroom set up yet, but is working with other options. Mrs. Steiner stated that her teachers would like more devices.

Grades 2 and 3 Pilot Teachers—Dr. Sullivan stated that Mrs. Hondl has the list of teachers for the 2nd and 3rd grade pilot with some exceptions that will be determined once teachers are hired.

Other—Dr. Sullivan thanked the committee for their time and dedication to getting the embedded technology approved and moving forward.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Minutes provided by Laura Hondl.