



EDUCATION/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2022

Virtual Meeting - 8:30 A.M.

Committee Members: Beth Fiore, Chair

Randall Peach, Carolyn Podgorski, Carol Hample (alt.)

Administrative Staff: Dr. Jonathan Hart, Superintendent of Schools

Staci Beegle, Director of Pupil Services

Jason Bohm, SBA/Board Secretary

Dr. Stacey Brown, Humanities Supervisor

Sherry Krial, PD/Tech Supervisor

Sarah Pauch, Math, Science, Tech Supervisor

Anthony Tumolo, SEL Supervisor

Jim Belske, Technology Coordinator

Guest Presenters: Carey-Anne Hendershot, Nicole Maraventano, and Jodi Rehrig

Agenda

1. Coaching Initiatives - The committee saw a presentation by Carey-Anne Hendershot, Nicole Maraventano, and Jodi Rehrig, district instructional coaches, on the current coaching initiatives for the different schools and grade levels. Some outcomes from planning sessions with grade-level teams include co-teaching mini lessons, classroom visits by coaches, modeling small group lessons, data conversations, identifying additional resources for teachers particularly those with English Language Learners in their classrooms, as well as professional development for teachers.
2. Technology Updates - Mr. Belske shared updates to the District's technology initiatives. There were updates to the internet service, chromebooks were refreshed for 4th and 6th graders, and there were updates to the backend server. Audio/Visual upgrades are in process in the BOE Conference room, mics and speakers will be added for public attendees, and the HBS Gym received AV enhancements for larger BOE meetings. Additional technology projects include security enhancements, data assessment mapping, website ADA compliance, and phone system upgrades.
3. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Next Steps - Mr. Tumolo gave a recap of the Summer Leadership Training. Administrators will begin to share DEI activities with staff and in some cases activities for students, such as "The Story of Your Name." Next steps include forming DEI committees in each building as well as partnering with parents and community members to promote cultural awareness and celebration. More to come.
4. Tutoring/Intervention Programs - Dr. Hart briefly talked about the after school intervention programs such as Littera, math tutoring, and virtual homework help. When students participate in these interventions, their scores improve. Littera had high participation and students demonstrated improvement. Other programs had limited participation. A new group of students will be invited to participate in January based on test results. The committee asked about options to include these services

during the school day, but there just isn't time in students' schedules for this additional help. Administrators are exploring all options to increase participation. The committee also suggested that there needs to be communication to parents and the community about all of the interventions the district is utilizing to address the NJSLA test scores, perhaps listing out all of the interventions in one place.

5. Agenda items: Nursing Services Plan, Bioswale donation, other typical agenda items
6. Next Meeting: Dec 7 @8:30am

Summaries of Curriculum Revisions

N/A