

RSU 13 – Technology Committee Meeting October 30, 2012

	Committee members		Committee members		Integrators
P	Loren Andrews, Chair	P	Scott Vaitones	P	Hank Reed
E	Sally Carlton	P	Bruce Johnson	P	Laurie Walsh
P	Carol Bachofner			E	Lynsey Ward
P	Darryl Sanborn				
P	Present	A	Absent	E	Excused

Agenda

1. Tech staff review of what's going on

The 9th Grade testing just finishing up

We are using a developer to help build a core skills data management system.

We are still experiencing difficulty with loading apps onto iPads and looking for long-term solutions. As we go forward with “apps” it will become important to establish an apps review committee to determine what apps are appropriate and limit how many apps may be on a tablet – At issue is the difficulty for teachers to load apps and the constant updates. It will become imperative to establish what apps will be loaded at the beginning of the year.

2. Integrators review of what's going on including use of Kahn Academy

There will be a need to bring 6th grade one to one as we use more and more software programs like ALEKs.

Kahn Academy – has added the ability to add a coach who then can see every student's work. Allows teacher to bring up specific problems that were wrong and follow how the student was analyzing and the thought path.

Look at Lexica at another meeting

3. Discussion of use of library media specialist - tabled

4. 4G, LTE and home use

We are already reaching the point where students with no connectivity at home will be essentially left behind.

The connectivity would need to come at the State level if it is to work with the socio / economic make-up of most communities.

How do we go about accomplishing this?

5. Text book trials

Does it make sense to pilot some textbooks within the I-pad projects?

Elementary teachers have been moving away from text books as they move to experiential based learning

6. Bruce, Laurie and Hank are to do some research on digital textbooks.

7. Other business

No other business

Adjourned at 7:33 PM

Scott Vaitones