

## Minutes – RSU 13 – Technology Committee Meeting November 29, 2012

	Committee members		Committee members		Integrators
P	Loren Andrews, Chair	P	Nancy Jeffers	P	Hank Reed
E	Sally Carleton	P	Scott Vaitones	P	Laurie Walsh
P	Carol Bachofner	P	Bruce Johnson		
A	Darryl Sanborn		<b>Visitors</b>		
		P	Christine Curtis		
P	Present	A	Absent	E	Excused

### Agenda & Minutes

1. **Tech staff review of what's going on**
2. **Integrators review of what's going**
3. Should we pilot a Configurator for iPad connectivity? The program runs on a mac to update iPads. It can configure a total of 30 iPads 10 at a time. Using this option would require erasing each iPad and losing data already on the iPads.  
Scott reported on a workshop he attended where Andy Wallace, the IT Director for South Portland, talked about emerging technologies. S. Portland has 450 iPads deployed. Andy said the configurator was not a good solution. He said the devices are very hard to manage and need to be looked at as individual devices.
4. Try a Microsoft Surface?  
Do we want to experiment with other types of tablets? Only way to really test one is by having it to use...  
Need to wait until after the MLTI award.
5. What are we expecting the pilot project teachers to present in December?
6. We need to remind the teachers of the meeting. Meeting will be December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM  
They need to provide antidotal information  
Talk informally not to exceed 20 minutes each  
May become a round table discussion  
Some part of discussion should be projected  
No students to this meeting  
Prepare for a presentation to the School Board on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.
7. Discussion of use of library media specialist: Loren showed some video clips of today's library and the library of the future.  
  
Discussed role of librarians. Noted that within RSU 13 the library staffing has been greatly reduced.  
  
Noted the elementary libraries have areas set up based on reading levels. It's all about leveled reading.

Research starts at about 5<sup>th</sup> grade. At the high school, students do all online unless assigned to do otherwise.

The “new” library needs to be defined.

How are the public libraries making the transition? Suggested to invite the Rockland Librarian in to talk with the Committee. Scott also mentioned that the Jackson Library in Tenants Harbor is moving and has a strong vision of how technology will fit in the library of the future.

A lot of the role of teaching how to search is shifting to the teacher and the integrators.

We need to be thinking about the merging of libraries and classrooms as one.

8. Other business

- a. MLTI – Request for proposal (RFP) was sent out this week. Montana, Vermont and Hawaii have joined in with the RFP with Maine. The proposal will cover 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders and 6 through 12 teachers and purchase options for grades 9 through 12. It is expected a decision will be announced on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

Hank does not feel the iPad works at the high school level. Some significant math software like ALEK will not run on the iPad. Pearson’s education software will not run on an iPad.

- b. Laurie noted use and sharing at grades 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> is becoming more difficult and would like to see one to one grades 5 up.

Adjourned 7:30 PM