

Spearfish District Technology Committee Minutes

February 14, 2017

Members Present: Scott Hardesty, John Mitchell, Steven Overby, Brooke McLellan, Teri Bauerly, Stacey Weglin, Janice Koski, Alisa Bentley, and Emily Benvenega..

Scott called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m. in the HS DDN room.

Agenda

District Tech Requests

- February 10, 2017 was the last day to submit a District Technology request.
- Presented preliminary budget. Waiting on quotes for final budget expense.
- Presenting Technology budget to School Board for review and discussion at March School Board meeting and final approval at April School Board meeting.

Job Posting

- Bev Draine will be retiring at end of school year.
- Job is now posted as Student Information Support Specialist.

Smarter Balance Secure Browser

- Pushed down the Smarter Balance secure browser to all devices needed for testing.
- D-Step secure browser is not available yet to push down. Supposed to be available end of February. Once available will push down to all affected devices.
- You should see the blue icon called "SDSecureBrowser" on the desktop. Teachers may want to have students check if this icon is on the desktop before testing.

Network Accounts

- Reiterated that users not to give out network account info to subs.
- Please do not write down the password and leave out so others could access it.
- We have had some students accessing teachers accounts.

Turning Computers Off/Locking Computers

- Just a reminder to turn off computers over weekends and holidays.
- Please lock your computer when away from your computer.

Teacher Rotation

- Will be purchasing 150 HP ProBook 430 G4 Notebooks.
- Cost will be \$970 with a 4 year ADP warranty, external DVD drive, and docking station.
- Will move the few classified staff computers on this rotation to next year's rotation due to the cost of teacher laptops.
- 4-year warranty will get us to the next HS laptop purchase, which allows same model for all.
- Presented a demo HP ProBook 430 G4 to committee.
- Discussed training for teachers on using the laptops and docking station.

Wireless

- Looking at upgrading wireless across the district.
- Need to add more access points in the MS but currently cannot purchase current hardware.
- Looking at moving to Cisco Meraki cloud based controller system.
- This will alleviate the cost of the current six hardware controllers.
- Will demo product and may replace MS wireless this summer.

Next meeting will be April 11, 2017