

Discussion Notes for Dec. 7, 2015

Old Business:

Technology/Listening Tour update-

(12/11/15 email from Jeff Harrison communicated much of the following information)

- Although tech fair/petting zoo was expected to take place prior to Thanksgiving, delays have required that it be held on multiple dates throughout the month of January.
- Technology Dept. is proposing two devices from which certified staff may choose. Both are laptops; one option will be a MacBook, the other option will be a Dell laptop.
- Neither device will have CD/DVD drives as this technology is being phased and is not available as an option on new machines. External CD/DVD drives are expected to be available for check out through library media centers.
- After this teacher computer replacement, a 5 year refresh cycle will be put into place.
- The referendum could enable more personnel in terms of both hardware support and integration support.
- Media centers will have sub laptops and loaners for teachers when repairs needed.
- VDI systems may be used in elementary labs.
- Additional questions/comments/concerns can be sent to building Discussion reps and/or Jeff Harrison.

New business:

Interest based strategies as they pertain to the Discussion process

ISTA UniServ Director Becky Smith presented information about the benefits to implementing Interest Based Strategies during Discussion meetings to promote a more collaborative approach to addressing issues. Other districts have found such strategies to be very positive. If HSE/HSEA are interesting in taking steps toward implementing this approach, Becky suggested scheduling more specific training.

Meeting adjourned