

Horry County Board of Education Technology Committee

Minutes

Monday, May 9, 2016

4:00 PM at District Office, Four Mile Road, Conway, SC

Board Members Present: Janice Morreale, Committee Member; Ray Winters, Committee Member; Sherrie Todd, Committee Member, and Holly Heniford, Board Member

Staff Members Present: Dr. Rick Maxey Edward Boyd, Charles Hucks, Edi Cox, Kenny Generette, John Gardner, Daryl Brown, Carolyn Chestnut, Boone Myrick, Dottie Brown, Teal Harding, Angela Rush, Sie Gilbert, Beverly Pilkey, Jeanie Dailey, Elissa Blosser, Judy Shelley, Cindy Magrath, Jill Jeter, Tonya Pickett, Tammy Martin, Becky Hinson, Buffy Roberts, Jeanna Allen, Ashley Gasperson, Tammy Brown, Jill Erwin, Ebony Livingston, Stephanie Yancey, James Gorcesky, Meagen Cox, Meaghan Quillen, Holly Barnes, Chad Smith, and Ben Coy. Sixteen principals, several school staff and community members were present. Three members of the news media were also present.

Welcome

Ms. Morreale called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Winters moved to approve the agenda. Ms. Todd seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Winters made a motion to approve the April 18, 2016 minutes. Mrs. Todd seconded. Motion carried.

Recommendation to Purchase New Devices for Middle School Grades 6-8 and Move Middle School iPads to Elementary Grades 3-4

Ms. Morreale opened the floor for discussion on the agenda item. Ms. Morreale referenced Dr. Maxey's comments from the April 18, 2016, meeting in regard to allowing teachers time for training. She stated that the middle school teachers she had spoken with felt there is already a lot of curriculum that they could use regardless of the device selected. Ms. Morreale stated that she feels the keyboard is the main thing that is missing at the middle school level. Mr. Winters agreed with Mrs. Morreale's comments based on his experience.

Ms. Morreale called for any motions or recommendations. Mr. Winters made the motion that the District review the effectiveness of the iPad as an instructional tool in the middle schools. Ms. Todd seconded. Motion carried.

Ms. Morreale asked Dr. Maxey and Edward Boyd to evaluate the effectiveness of the devices in the middle schools and bring back a report at the next meeting. Dr. Maxey stated that we would put together a constituent group similar to the group used initially to select the iPad to receive feedback to systemically receive input regarding the iPad before making any changes.

Adjournment

Mrs. Morreale adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m.