

MINUTES  
**TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE**  
**Classroom Technology Integration Subcommittee**

**DATE:** October 10, 2011

**TIME:** 1:30 PM

**PLACE:** WW55

**MEMBERS:** Chair: Stefani Cook, Brent Lloyd, Marne Curtis, Alan Millar, George Boland, Heidi Rogers

Jacque Hyatt from the State Department of Education (SDE) updated the committee with the progress of the Request for Information (RFI). She will pass a draft of the RFI out for review towards the end of the meeting. A Committee member asked if the RFI integrated hardware, one-to-one, and SchoolNet. Ms. Hyatt confirmed that that is the goal of the RFI to convey that all pieces are integrated.

James Basham from University of Kansas joined the Committee to answer questions. A committee member asked about how to get teachers on board. Mr. Basham suggested focusing on stem based perspective to prepare kids for college. Professional development (PD) is very important and it is also important to provide PD for IT personnel. Not all staff will “buy into it.” Through PD, show how relationships between all subjects can be taught to students. Mr. Basham will send resources when he returns to his office.

A Committee member asked for suggestions on statewide staff and PD. Mr. Basham suggested a hybrid of PD in conjunction with coaching. Mr. Basham elaborated on the Digital Backpack, capabilities with technology, and discussed the transition process of educator’s way of thinking about the use of technology as an educational tool; this can be successfully executed through PD and coaching.

Warren Danforth, Senior Enterprise Architect at SDE, explained that ISEE is necessary for SchoolNet to be functional. Teachers interested in PD can look up PD on the public site or through the state secure portal. SchoolNet is currently hosted in New York and SDE plans to bring it local.

A Committee member asked what funding is available for training. Rob Sauer, SDE said there are 2.3 million dollars available for training. The board discussed the benefits of teaching instructional design before teaching the technology. The first time use should be easy so users are not discouraged.

The SDE will be putting together a theory of action for PD to help identify inputs and outputs. They will share it with the Committee if it is done by next week.

The capabilities of IEN were discussed, and the possibility of accessing IEN through SchoolNet. Mr. Danforth suggested having a hyperlink available. Having registration capabilities in ISEE won't be available until July due to funding.

Wireless access was discussed. A committee member asked what the plan for getting wireless capabilities to high schools. Mr. Sauer said Troy Wheeler, Chief Information Officer at the SDE, said this will happen and funding exists to make sure it happens.

Ms. Hyatt passed out drafts of the RFI. Adding IT and students to the list of staff to receive training was discussed. The Committee will review the RFI draft and it will be revisited in the morning.

The Committee adjourned at 4:02pm.