

MINUTES
TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE
Classroom Technology Integration Subcommittee

DATE: June 13, 2011

TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE: WW53

MEMBERS: Chairwoman Stefani Cook, Desiree Laughlin, Heidi Rogers, Brent Lloyd, Alan Millar, George Boland, Wendy Horman

Priority #1 Develop a shared understanding of classroom technology integration and how that supports instruction.

The Committee discussed different technologies being used in the schools, as well as effective practices. Recent graduates and current teachers receive little to no training in regards to technology integration, so in order to ensure correct implementation, the Committee will research best practices for creating a teacher mentor program. Also, professional development models will be researched, as well as limitations within the current constraints of the school year and barriers of Idaho statute. The Committee will make recommendations on how to spend professional development funds, as the definition is vague.

Priority #2 Develop a working theory of action for the deployment of professional development related to classroom technology

The Committee will identify teacher behaviors that are helping students and that can be replicated. BSU will serve as a model for teacher training programs and the math/science changes will be used to evaluate what was successful in implementing new policies. A working definition of technology integration will be created by July.

Priority #3 Discuss roles in providing professional development and/or technical assistance

The Committee aims to support innovation, integrate technology integration into evaluation, have professional development tied to effective behaviors for integrating technology, identify changes and policies that need to be made, and seek outside advice (BSU, Kansas University).

Priority #4 The Committee will identify a list of needed guidance documents and/or resources.

Priority #5 The Committee will identify action steps and timeline.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.