



**Educational Technology Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2015
Chair: Brian Bostwick Chair-Elect: Mark Almer CIO: Mark Lindstone
LOCATION:
Educational Services Center**

6:00 PM – Arrival

6:32 PM – Convene Meeting: Mr. Brian Bostwick - Chair ETAC 2015-2016

Call to order: Pledge of Allegiance

6:33 PM – Introduction: Superintendent, Brian Ewert

Mr. Brian Ewert, new superintendent of Littleton Public Schools [LPS], stopped by to introduce himself to the committee. Mr. Ewert gave an overview of his previous career experience, and also thanked the committee for creating and maintaining a vision for district technology for the future of LPS. He also stated that he enjoyed the fact that the committee has voices from parents, teachers, community members, and above all, students.

The meeting opened with all new Educational Technology Advisory Committee [ETAC] members introducing themselves and expressing why they are interested in being on this committee.

Mr. Brian Bostwick, ETAC committee chair 2015-2016, facilitated an understanding of last years ETAC activities and accomplishments. Mr. Bostwick also explained the role of an advisory committee, and outlined how the committee will proceed in refining the ETAC Charge for the year. Updating the 2015-2016 tasks, or charge, is the goal for the evening's meeting.

6:45 PM - Discussion Items and Updates:

Calendar Committee Report: As the ETAC calendar committee representative, Ms. Holly Biggers gave a brief update of the discussions being had around the school calendar and the Christmas holidays of 2016-2017. The calendar committee will reconvene their discussion on September 16th, a final decision will be made by September 23. If anyone on the committee would like to voice an opinion on calendar matters, Ms. Biggers is encouraging feedback from ETAC members.

Citizens Bond Oversight Committee Report: [CBOC]

Mr. Brian Bostwick, committee CBOC representative, gave the committee an update on the status of construction and renovations going on in the district. For district bond construction updates, please click [HERE](#) for the website.

Foundation Report: Ms. Beth Best, Executive Director of LPS Foundation:

The LPS Foundation exists to raise money for Littleton Public Schools. In addition, the Foundation partners strongly with I.T. to support technology projects. [ie: netbooks, Discovery Ed. techbooks, wireless, STEM centers] The Foundation recently closed out the books on a stellar year. The Foundation donated a record setting \$558,000.00 for year 2014-2015!

In addition, the Foundation recently donated \$136,000 to roll out the next phase for middle school

tech labs. The Foundation needs to raise \$250,000 more dollars to complete the project, but with a matching grant in hand, we know the Foundation can do it! Don't forget the Littleton Stride fun run is coming up on October 25th. Thanks to the Littleton Foundation for all the support they provide to Littleton Public Schools! Further information regarding Littleton Foundation initiatives can be found [HERE](#).

ITS Report: Mark Lindstone, Mike Porter: [“What We Did This Summer”](#)

- Doubled internet bandwidth within LPS.
- Structured cabled closet implementation.
- Wireless streaming devices capability for students.
- Rewiring of existing and additional access points installed.
- New contemporary LPS website.
- 1:1 computing is being implemented at the middle schools.
- A professional development model to improve teacher competencies with technology at the school level is being implemented.

7:00 PM - Mr. Jack Reutzel, Board of Education Liaison Report:

Board president Mr. Jack Reutzel, thanked all ETAC members for volunteering to be involved in the committee and taking the time to make meaningful contributions to LPS. Mr. Reutzel has chosen to be on this committee and will serve as the Board liaison for the next two years.

- The Board participated in a workshop focused on a report from the Safety and Mental Health Committee. It is being decided whether the committee will sunset or continue on. There is a lot of good work left to be done around the topic of mental health, and Littleton is one of the first districts in the nation to proactively address mental health issues in schools.
- An informative update by Options High Schools was presented to the Board.
- The Board is working towards finalization of the school year calendar.
- A presentation summarizing LPS's community survey given by Lori Weikel showed that the LPS community is very overwhelmingly supportive of the school district.

7:45 PM – ETAC Small Group Discussion

The ETAC yearly Board report will be presented at the Board meeting on October 22, 2015. As part of that presentation the [ETAC charge](#), (located below *value statements* in this document) in addition to [ETAC value statements for 2015-2016](#) will be presented. The committee broke into small groups and participated in a *Padlet* activity to provide edits, opinions, and ordered the importance of the proposed charges. The committee will explore a charge relating to teacher professional development. This is the ETAC [Padlet activity](#) with committee feedback provided on the link.

**Next ETAC Meeting will be on
October 7, 2015**

There will be a presentation by Littleton Academy Charter School

8:30 PM –Adjournment