



**Educational Technology Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes for December 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

6:35 PM - Board Updates: Mr. Jack Reutzel attending the CASB Conference this week.

BOE Report: No BOE Report this month

7:00 PM - Reports and Discussion Items

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

- Littleton Foundation Executive Director, Beth Best, reported Tuesday, December 8th is Colorado Gives Day. This year, in addition to contributing to the LPS Foundation, who supplies funding to assist school projects, 16 LPS schools are participating directly in Colorado Gives Day. This means anyone can donate and support initiatives directly to the school of your choice.
- The Foundation is closing in on completing funding for middle school STEM centers. Currently the Foundation has raised \$400,000 for the project. An additional \$240,000 is needed to complete the project. If \$120,000 more can be raised, there is a matching \$120,000 dollars waiting! Please give generously on December 8th and help the Foundation reach this goal and ultimately support the STEM initiatives at the middle schools!

Further information regarding Littleton Foundation initiatives can be found [HERE](#).

ITS Report: Mark Lindstone attending CASB Conference, Mike Porter reporting:

- The Colorado Association of School Boards is meeting in Colorado Springs this week. Mark Lindstone district CIO, and members of our school board are attending the conference.
- LPS has entered a partnership with Denver Tech for All-Rose Keating Foundation. The foundation provides many services to less fortunate individuals and families who would otherwise go without technology and other helpful services. The district is donating termed six and seven year old computers. The computers are reconditioned and given to eligible families.
- The cyber safety night held in October was a huge, sold out success. The conference provides cyber parenting strategies among other informative sessions to community members. Thank you to our ETAC students who provided a student panel for parents to ask candid, sensitive questions regarding computer usage of students. The next cyber safety evening will be in April.

- A new STEM lab is open at Wilder Elementary. The ETAC committee will be holding a meeting at Wilder in March to check out how it is being used.
- Many senior citizens in the district volunteer to help in the classrooms through a program called VIPS. Recently, the district provided helpful information regarding cyber safety for seniors, including identity protection and how to avoid phishing scams.

7:05 PM - Thomas L. Freidman 15 minute video:

The committee watched and discussed a video from Thomas L. Friedman, an internationally renowned author, reporter, and, columnist—the recipient of three Pulitzer Prizes and the author of six bestselling books. The committee discussed globalization of the work place, and the revolution in information technology. The video is called “Average is Over.” What is the "formula for success" in America? How has it evolved in the last decade? Is America dropping the ball? Here is a link to the video. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRmFq_PJ6w0

7:45 PM - Technology Integration in LPS: Dana Levesque and Randy Stall

LPS district technology specialists, Randy Stall and Dana Levesque gave an overview of the methodology they use to assist teachers infuse technology into their curriculum. Theoretically sound professional development models are at the foundation of integration. During their presentation from time to time, committee polls were taken using “plickers,” a cell phone application that can read bar (QR) codes to take a consensus.

A copy of the professional development [presentation](#) is here for your information. Professional learning in LPS is aligned with district goals and core beliefs. Much of technology integration is done in the classroom. The specialist will try to determine from the teacher what it is they are trying to accomplish with students. With this answer in mind, a strategy is planned.

Leadership cohorts are formed in the district. This concept opens outlets and pathways to allow teachers who are leaders with technology, to nurture professional learning to others. “Here is how I use it in my classroom, and here is how it is working.”

**Next ETAC Meeting will be on
January 6, 2016**

There will be a presentation at Littleton High School.

8:30 PM –Adjournment