

Technology and Learning Commons Subcommittee

Meeting Notes

Meeting: December 14, 2015

Present: Dan Chuhta, Jane Scease, Joanne Rogers, Ryan Palmer, Deb Tong(Chair), Nick Riggie, Matt Drewette-Card, Jim Byrne, Kathy Kahill, Jennie

Dan gave a presentation covering Learning Commons concept and goals. What is it? Who it involves - LC Curriculum -

Our Homework:

When you think about different areas of the school, what technology needs do you feel are most important for them to have?

Kathy: Flexible Spaces? Collaborative Areas?

Maybe ask how teachers would use spaces if they had them?

We want to create DIVERSITY of technologies and uses available to teachers and students.

We don't know what we don't know; google - Pinterest - Herman Miller or other Furniture Companies have done a lot of research in this area.

Recommendations:

- Decide what supporting spaces we want around/connected to the Learning Commons (How diverse do we want that to be?) What staff will be involved with LC? Specialists? What services will be provided there?
- Hire a technology consultant to help with decisions (Jonathan Tabb) who will look at infrastructure as well as instructional considerations (after referendum)
- Think of spaces we have now, what we have seen in other places (schools / pinterest etc.) think about how those spaces might look. We will have spaces that Will be used for more than one thing. Focus on the LC itself, don't sweat the rest of the school. If there are needs we "think" that exists we can inquire with the Dept. Heads

Once decisions are made,

1. We make recommendations to the Building Committee. There it will be discussed and ultimately decided on by the Building Comm.
2. Notify PDT when we want to have some time on the BC agenda to present proposals.

Dan: [Thornburg metaphors](#):

Campfire = formal gathering

Watering Hole = more informal gathering

Cave = Quiet Study

Maybe pick the brain of Sherry Wyman from the State?

Contact Learning Commons folk throughout the state and ask how things are working out for them. What works for them?What would you do differently? What do you foresee as potential issues in the future?

List what works well for **us** currently?

Next Steps for us:

Space of LC

LC Needs

What spaces do we have now? What spaces do we want or think there is a need for

Next meeting is planned for January 13, 2016 from 6:00-7:30 at the District Office PD room.