

Minutes from Technology Committee Meeting / 12/9/03

The meeting opened with introductions. Sixteen individuals attended the meeting (1 principal, 13 teachers, and 2 students). Then the committee established the major goals that would drive its discussions, efforts, and decision-making.

The three major technology goals are:

-Technology will enhance and support the educational process in the classroom and the diverse technological needs of the teachers will be recognized and addressed.

-Technology will provide for increased efficiency of the daily tasks and recordkeeping required to support the learning process.

-Students' knowledge and awareness of technology and its applications will increase.

A wide range of technology related topics and a free flowing discussion helped to identify the goals listed above. Among the discussion items was the concern about the mobile laptop labs currently at Dimond and length of time that it takes to set one up and to get the students working. A proposed ideal technology set-up for each room was proposed and explained by Pete Tryon. Specific teacher technological needs were presented and discussed (ie. a World Languages Technology Lab, the need for multiple computers in a classroom to provide internet access for an Economics simulation, and the computerized musical keyboarding lab).

The following dates and times were set for subsequent meetings:

Jan. 15, 2004 – 3:30 / 5:00 PM

Jan. 26, 2004 – 3:30 / 5:00 PM

Feb. 12, 2004 – 3:30 / 5:00 PM

All meetings will be held at the old Dimond Library.