

LPSD Technology - December Board Report

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November has been another busy month with 225 new Helpdesk requests.

Port Heiden - Internet issues related to satellite dish fan failure have been resolved.

Online Class and Virtual Meeting Platform - We are continuing to work towards replacing Blackboard Collaborate with Zoom. Tim Welch has been using Zoom for his one-on-one counseling meetings with students and our online teacher Marli has been piloting it with a select group of students. Both have reported a much better experience with Zoom over Blackboard.

We have recently learned that our internet provider, DRS, is planning to offer Zoom licenses to all of their education customers at no additional cost. We will be working with DRS to determine if the licenses they will be offering will meet our requirements. This would result in another \$2,000/year savings with a switch to Zoom.



Pilot class on the Zoom platform with online teacher Marli

Web Filtering - We are demoing two enhanced web filtering platforms to provide additional filtering capabilities on student devices. As website technology advances, we have to adapt and adjust to accommodate. I will be sharing more information about our efforts in future board reports.