

School Board Meeting:

February 27, 2012

Subject:

2013-15 Technology Plan

Presenter:

Josh Swanson

SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Approval for Submission to MDE

DESCRIPTION:

To be eligible for eRate, the school district is required to have a Technology Plan on file that has been approved by the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE). The last formal plan that was submitted was in effect for 2008-2011. In 2010, MDE announced that it was changing the process and required districts to submit a continuation or bridge plan based on their 2008-2011 plan. We completed the process and received approval on April 7, 2011. A new plan must be submitted to MDE and approved by June 30, 2012. The new plan was reviewed at the workshop and with Board approval will be submitted to MDE. If approved by MDE, it will remain in effect through June 30, 2015.

The new planning process defined by the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) allows for greater customization and our 2013-15 plan is reflective of our District's continuous improvement process. This ensures the work aligns with our mission, core values, and key results along with district and site goals that may change while the plan exists. The plan provides flexibility so we can adapt, adjust, and grow.

The plan includes:

- An overview of our current priorities based on results from the MDE defined needs assessment and our internal annual review process
- The framework of our district continuous improvement process
- Highlights of our current goals and strategies
- A summary of related professional development
- Our annual evaluation process
- Assurance of compliance with CIPA

As approved by the board on August 22, 2011, the district technology goals have remained in effect for the 2011-12 school year while a district technology advisory committee was convened and a thorough needs assessment is completed. That process is underway and engages stakeholders from across the district. The highlights of the proposed 2013-15 plan have been shared with the DTAC Committee.

ATTACHMENT:

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