Tucson Unified School District
Technology Oversight Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Date: May 20, 2014
Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Location: Technology Conference Room
1010 E. Tenth St., Bldg. B

Committee Members Present: Doug Baker, Jeff Coleman, Andrew Gardner, Harry McGregor (Chair), Steve Peters

Committee Members Absent: Ashton Bergstrand (Vice Chair), Michael Hicks (Governing Board Member), Cam Juárez (Governing Board Member), Robb Pinegar

Staff Members Present: Damon Jackson (CIO), Rabih Hamadeh, Bob Kramer, Andrea Marafino, Kevin Startt

Guests: None

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS: Approval of March 18, 2014 Meeting Minutes – Doug Baker moved to approve the minutes, Jeff Coleman seconded the motion and all approved

STUDY/ACTION ITEMS:

- TUSD CIO Update
  - Core Network RFP – TOC members Andrew and Doug both provided valuable insight to the evaluation committee, which ended up selecting multiple vendors to provide WAN connectivity and core equipment for the new data center. The goal is to have the data center set up by October.
  - ITIMI – Zayo issues have been resolved and fiber will be installed at all sites. All sites should be complete by July/August.
  - PARCC – Field testing was successful at 46 sites.

- TUSD Strategic Planning Update
  - The Strategic Plan contains annual goals in five areas (curriculum, diversity, facilities, finance, and communication) to be completed in five years. There have been two community planning meetings so far and TOC members Andrew and Steve are both participating in the process.

- Educational Technology Update
  - The PARCC field test provided the District with the opportunity to assess new test-taking strategies and determine how quickly students could learn and adapt to these new online tools. PARCC-related initiatives going forward include:
    - Continuing PARCC readiness over the summer
    - Looking into systems to store and deliver curriculum (the State is currently exploring options for delivering curriculum via a suite of applications that TUSD needs to be aware of, such as a Content Management System, Learning Management System, Professional Development Delivery Portal, etc.)
    - Reassembling the Strategic Technology Planning Council (STPC)

- Partnership between TUSD and The UofA
  - The University’s MIS Department is interested in forming a partnership with TUSD. Their expertise spans a variety of areas that would be beneficial to the District (network integration, systems integration, cyber security, etc.) and they are hoping to engage the College of Education as well to address instructional technology issues. TOC member Steve Peters is coordinating this effort.

- Continuation of Discussion of TOC Charter
  - The Committee agreed to leave the Charter as-is until vacancies are filled.

- Continuation of Discussion of Call to Educators
  - The Committee agreed to defer this discussion until the strategic planning process is complete.

- Election of Chair/Vice Chair
  - Deferred until vacancies are filled.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE: No audience present

FUTURE MEETING DATE: Next meeting scheduled for June 13 (postponed to August 19 due to lack of quorum)

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:40 p.m.