

Technology Committee – October 19, 2020

The Technology Committee met on October 19, 2020. Mr. Hein, Director of Technology, updated the committee on the actions that the District has taken to ensure that our security systems are updated to help prevent cyber threats. Mr. Hein provided the committee with an update on current hardware and stated that our replacement devices are estimated to arrive in December. The District has been advised by New York State that they have placed a hold on all School Smart Bond reimbursements; therefore, the District will need to reevaluate our replacement plan and may have to put purchases on hold or reprioritize our hardware purchases for this year.

Mrs. Herrington shared the steps being taken by the District to secure student data. She also outlined the professional development offered to faculty and staff over the summer to support the integration of technology. Professional development opportunities will continue to be available to teachers. The District also has an integration specialist from Ulster BOCES available to work with staff. Our website has been updated to include video tutorials for our teachers, students and families which is designed to assist them when using applications. Mr. Hein has also been providing professional development on a daily basis and has created tutorials for continued learning.