

## ***Technology Committee – April 19, 2021***

*The Technology Committee met on April 19, 2021. Mr. Hein, Director of Technology, and Mrs. Herrington, Assistant Superintendent, presented to the committee plans for technology upgrades for the 2021-2022 school year. As a part of our original Smartbond Plan, we have planned to update our inventory on a rotating basis. For the upcoming year the District will be replacing student devices in grades: 1, 2, 11 and 12. Also, elementary desktop computers, laptops and Chromebooks for some faculty and staff will be upgraded as needed. The District is researching insurance and warranty options for new purchases and will determine at a later date how to proceed. Additionally, Mr. Hein and Mrs. Herrington are researching the possibility of moving the District authentication process to the cloud using Azure (Microsoft Office 365). This change will result in the District being able to reduce the number of on-site servers. Mr. Hein gave the committee an update on the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) cybersecurity recommendations and explained the steps he is taking to ensure that we are implementing best practices to safeguard our systems. The Committee also discussed the American Rescue Plan and the funds that may be available in the future for technology purchases. We are awaiting guidance from the State outlining how the District can utilize the funds. The next committee meeting date is to be determined.*