

## TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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November 8, 2021

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

*(Informational Meeting ONLY)*

**In attendance:** Robert W. Sanders, Christopher Fuller, Janice Johnson, Beth Anne Carr, Victoria E. Trujillo-Cortellese, Julio E. Gonzalez, Kathryn F. Brooks, Raysa Lugo, Kevin B. Williams, Olayemi A. Awofadeju, Dale A. Bondanza, Liana Pernes, Vincent C. Newman, Stephanie M. Bustillo, Sherri N. Wilson, Denise Vajanc, Michael Medina, Bree J. Miron, Jennifer Harpalani, Maximo A. Rosario, Elayne M. Hollander, Rick Reynolds, Matthew S. Bradford, Amanee Y. Tyson, Vincent Vinueza, Jason S. Greenberg, Zak K. Barbarosh, Camille Pontillo, Wendy Vazquez, Sasha P. Azouth, Ali Arcese, Rekishia T. Moore-Redding, Stephanie Marsh, Jacqui Luscombe, Harmoni D. Clealand, Rick Reece, Charlene A. Collins, Donna A. Flores, Tamecka McKay, Lori E. Canning, Naveed A. Syed, Larissa A. Chanzas

### Agenda Items:

1. **Call to Order** – Beth Anne Carr, TAC Chair

- Beth Anne opens stating this is NOT an official meeting, we can only take notes and we cannot vote on anything. Beth added we can't ask staff to do anything since it's not an official meeting.
- Beth Anne discussed designating a special time during the meeting for "Theme of the Day" agenda item...maybe adding 1/2 an hour of the meeting to discuss more of a long term decision.

2. **Business before the Committee**

- **WAN Ring Network overview** (*Vince Vinueza*)

Vince V introduced himself as interim CIO and his roles and responsibilities. He also introduced Jason Greenberg who has been task assigned to Director of infrastructure. Jason went over a presentation and chart regarding WAN Fiber Implementation. The chart illustrates in estimates how much bandwidth we're going to need and it's just going to continue to increase. Vince continued to discuss current WAN designs, businesses with the ring design, and making more use of the cloud. Most school sights should be scheduled in the next three to five months. Vince explained that we're moving faster than expected allowing us to absorb some cost savings as well. This project should be completed by March 2022.

**Questions:** (Victoria T.) What are the benefits that the staff and teachers will be seeing? Vince talked about the bandwidth improvements. Dr. Sherri Wilson, the new director for Innovative Learning had questions and concerns about that will impact several teachers and maybe in schools that are a lot more fragile and their buildings or a lot more antiquated. How are we speaking to or making decisions on the schools that might be out East or in the central area that are under enrolled and have less financial bandwidth? How are we assisting those schools and when will they be on this list in comparison to those who may have more updated equipment so we can have that equity and access? Jason explained that every school will be done in the next four to five months. So there isn't going to be a huge gap between what schools.

- **Appointed Member Training** (*Robert Sanders*)

Robert Sanders went over the list of people that were compliant and non-compliant. Beth Anne placed public policy 1.7 in the chat regarding the requirement of the ethics training. We're considered public officers and are required to be compliant under state statutes this is not a school board rule. This is actually from the state and there are legal implications for being a public officer that you must.

- **Emergency Connectivity Fund (Maximo Rosario)**

Max talked in reference to the Emergency Connectivity Fund that I presented an overview of what the it is and where we are with that particular application. The Emergency Connectivity Fund is part of the American rescue plan. We want to replace our aging laptops that were issued to students for remote learning or for students who were mainly identify as transient students that needed to have some kind of connectivity at home who lacked Internet connections at home. This was the first filing window that we applied.

Our expectation is that the new devices will start arriving sometime in the beginning of December, and we have until the end of June 2022 to get the devices out to the schools. This is happening concurrently with our refresh project. We have approximately 50,000 devices that we have ordered.

**Questions:** (Beth Anne) We've had a bring your own device policy within the district for a long time. Or is that playing any part in counting devices? Max answered No it doesn't; we do not count BYOD devices in the one to one issuance at all.

- **Procurement & Upcoming Board Items (Harmoni Clealand)**

1. WAN Network Architecture Addendum (19-097E) - Upcoming Board item
2. Video Surveillance (18-124E) - Cone of Silence
3. Replacement Student Information System (22-171) - Cone of Silence

**Questions:** None

**3. Meeting Adjourn – 3:34 PM**

**Future Meeting Dates for 2021 Time: 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm**

- **December 13, 2021 - TEAMS + Physical Location = BEACON**
- **TAC Web site:** <http://browardschools.com/tac>
- **Microsoft Teams TAC Site:** <https://teams.microsoft.com/#/files/Gener>