

MSBO Technology Committee Meeting

May 12, 2022

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm – Zoom

Chair: Rick Webb, Fremont Public Schools

Co-chair: Fred Sharpsteen, Mecosta-Osceola ISD

Members Present -

Attendees: Rick Webb, Fremont Public Schools, Susan Case, Forest Hills Public Schools, Tim Blackmer, Ionia Public Schools, Nancy Corner, REMC Save, David Dziejczak, Midland Public Schools, Russ Gerbers, Byron Center Public Schools, Erik Drake, REMC Save, Mark Deschaine, Grand Ledge Public Schools, Jay Bosworth, Pinconning Area Schools, Kevin Kickbusch, Genesee ISD, Michael Conway, Retired, Michael Sutor, Alcona Community Schools, Donny Milovski, Rochester Community Schools, Chris McCoy, Brother Rice High School, Fred Sharpsteen, Mecosta-Osceola ISD, Robert Holiday, Ingham ISD, Ron Hein, Niles Community Schools, Jeff Trudell, Wyandotte Public Schools, Nate Moore, Kearsley Community Schools, John Milewski, Ionia County ISD, Jacob Hampton, St. Johns Public Schools, Collin Howell, Kent ISD, Matt Shenck, Kalamazoo RESA, Joe Polasek, MDE, Wendy Andrzejewski, St. Johns Public Schools, Peter Klein, Clinton County RESA, Robert Breedlove, Reed City Area Schools, and Debbie Kopkau, MSBO.

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Approved Minutes from March 10, 2022 – Blackmer motions to approve. Seconded by Case. M/C.

3. Joseph Polasek – Erate/ECF Update

E-rate

- FY 2021- make sure your applicant entity is invoicing on your awards
 - Around 40% of awarded funding has been drawn
- FY 2022-
 - PIA review continues without too many noted issues
 - Nearly 60% of MI FRNs have received FCDLs

ECF

- Application Window 3 closes tomorrow, May 13th @11:59:59 PM EDT
- Questions? Contact Joe Polasek: polasekj3@michigan.gov

Digital Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Data Collection Survey drafted

- Draft will be presented to METL on May 19th for comments/suggestions
 - Draft was presented to Data Hub specialists today for comments/suggestions
- Survey will inform outreach and reminders that the CCSSO approved questions are already in SISs and the data can be very informative for local districts

- 4. Erik Drake/Nancy Corner - REMC Update:** Device purchasing opened April 13. Over 20,000 devices sold which is less than last year but more sold 2020 year. It is about \$87 million in sales. The window is open until December 30, 2022.

All the timelines of receiving your devices are listed in the description of the devices. If a concern, you can always contact the vendor.

Check help.remcsave.org under the FAQ. At the end of the document, personal purchases can be made. Please distribute this to your staff or family members as you see fit.

Status of paper. It is the worst allocation they have seen in decades and the paper manufacturers are only allowed so much to sell. Central Michigan Paper is out of their allocation for this year. There may be heavier paper or colored paper available. They will be finalizing vendors for next year and are being awarded this month. There will be about a 25% increase in price of paper. The vendor is not allowing school districts to stockpile paper so that everyone has a chance to purchase.

The supply bid will be out this fall. This is about 80% of what is on the REMCsave.org Website. If you see a vendor that is not on the list, please take a moment to fill out this form remcsave.org/recommend.

Thank you, Nancy, for all your work with REMCSave. She is retiring and Mike Richardson will be taking over.

5. Kate Cermack, MDE - Update on Testing: Was unable to be with us but here is her report.

Overall online testing is going well.

- M-STEP
 - 3rd grade online ELA testing closed last Friday, May 6 with approximately 98% of expected online tests were submitted.
 - All paper/pencil testing (all grades/all content) closed on May 6 as well and materials had to be shipped back to scoring vendor by May 11
 - All other grades/content online testing continues through **Friday, May 20** and approximately 90% of expected tests have
- MI-Access
 - Functional Independence: About 73% of expected online tests have been submitted. Testing continues through **Friday, May 27**.
 - Very Important: the ELA test is divided into an online portion and a paper/pencil portion (Expressing Ideas which is writing). Students will not get a valid score unless **both** parts of the test are completed.
 - Supported Independence/Participation are student facing but scores are entered online.
 - All score entry must be entered into the system by **4pm on May 27**
 - Numbers always lag (because test administrators often wait until all of their kids are done and then enter all scores at once) so these numbers are not necessarily as alarming as they appear at first glance
 - SI – approximately 36% of expected scores have been entered
 - P – approximately 34% of expected scores have been entered
 - There is a Spotlight article planned for today to encourage schools to complete all MI-Access testing by 5/27 – please encourage your administration to monitor their test schedules to ensure all needed tests are completed and scores are entered by May 27.

Webb reminded the group of the MAEDS Spring PD on May 20.

Next meeting is June 9 at 1 pm.

Blackmer to adjourn. Seconded by Moore. Meeting adjourned at 1:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Kopkau, MSBO