

**Math and Science Academy  
Technology Task Force Meeting  
3/12/2018 @ 3:00PM RM 10**

**1. Roll**

Justin Gehring, John Gawarecki, Cheri Howe, Mark Greseth, Kassie Larson, Noah Langseth, Jacob Bukkila, Jenna Rosvold

**2. New Business**

- a. **Discussion on the Continuation of the 1:1 Program** – Everyone in attendance agree'd that the 1:1: program is the route we wish to stay. Students always having a device has become essential to day-to-day life at MSA.
- b. **Discussion on Hardware Purchases to keep the 1:1 Program going** – Continued concerns over the 6<sup>th</sup> graders and how they handle the laptops. Suggestions were made on how to address it going forward. Decision was to purchase a set of Chromebooks for the 6<sup>th</sup> graders as they don't have the same software requirements as the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders. The recommend purchase is ~\$230 with software licenses. Will look to purchase in fiscal year 2018-2019 for Fall 2018 students. Chromebooks would stay with each incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade class.

Concerns over needing to replenish HPs, both in the short run and long run. Next years engineering course will need nicer laptops to be able to run the newest versions of Sketchup and GIS. Decision made to start replacing student laptops at a rate of ~100 machines/year. For cost reasons, will stick with refurbished. Justin to research and get approved with John. First batch will be ordered this year on the 2017-2018 budget (not spent yet), and hopefully be setup and ready in time for state testing as backups. Justin will find a way to distribute them to engineering students next year first.

- c. **Discussion on In-School Monitoring Software Improvements for students (especially the Chromebooks)** – Justin will look into solutions such as GoGuardian and the costs associated to see if there is a good viable option to make classroom management of technology easier for the staff.
- d. **Smartboards** – Looking to purchase 3 more smartboards to complete Smartboard installs in all of Buidling A. 2 are being purchased with give to the max money. 1 will likely be allocated from the 2017-2018 budge. Hope to install by spring break.

**3. Adjourn - ~4:00pm**