

St. Kilian Technology Committee Meeting Agenda

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2013-2014 Meetings Dates:
 Sep-4 Oct-9 **Nov-13** Dec-11 Jan-8 Feb-5 Mar-5 Apr-2 May-14

November 13, 2013 7:00 PM – Library

1. ETA Service
 - a. Issues with dual touch smart boards lead to both units being replaced under warranty with single touch units. We are currently waiting for new units to arrive.
 - b. Lab Thin Clients went down, something with the Thin Client software which affected anyone with these units. ETA uploaded the patch to address the issue.
2. Electronic Library Card Catalog Initiative
 - a. Progress Update
 - Status of book ID assignment – Drew Kohler has started entering books into the system. Target date is by the end of the calendar year to have them all entered.
3. Development Plan 2013
 - a. Website Updating
 - Issues?
 - Calendars – Opportunity for live calendars vs. static? We would like to look at the exchange server in the school to drive the calendar dynamically. Looking into this option.
 - Teacher training – Jane and Karen have started training the teachers on how to develop their websites. We will be looking for any free training material from Faith Websites to share as well.
 - We would like to get all the committees using the website to store things like meeting minutes or other documentation that might be of value to people visiting the site. Greg will work on getting accounts set up for the committees and getting them a space to upload documentation.
 - b. Lab Computers
 - Update on Thin Client and Software performance
 1. Software update – Found that we just needed to get the updated licensing software to get Kid Pics to work which was found and the program is working well. We are also successfully using ABC Mouse and will test that thru out the year.
 2. Issues?
 - c. Other goals for 2013/2014
 - Robotics club update
 1. Mike looked into this further and is a viable program.
 - a. Startup cost of about \$800-\$1000 which gets you everything you need to compete.
 - b. Some schools start out with kit and just get a group together to experiment internally for a year before competing.
 - c. Once you make the initial investment then subsequent years are approx. half the cost since controls components can be reused.
 - d. A team would consist of about 7-10 kids ranging from 4th – 8th grade.

- e. Typical season for build off is August thru November and they meet about 2 days a week until weeks before competition when they meet more often.
 - f. We will look into opportunities for used kits to experiment. Would be nice to get a feel for actual participation prior to investing.
 - g. More info on program can be found at www.usfirst.org
- First in Math status
 - 1. Program has been purchased and Mary is assigning user names in preparation for roll out.
 - 2. So far good feedback from teachers who tried it.
- Investigate new wireless access points?
 - 1. Need to start considering the need for improved infrastructure to support potential use of tablets, ipads, or laptops in class rooms.
 - 2. Current infrastructure could no support heavy usage.
 - 3. Need new accesspoints in each room with dual band
 - 4. Need new manageable switches in server room
 - 5. We would like to start mapping out a plan for student devices as well as infrastructure upgrades so we can begin the process of preparation now to avoid a single large financial obligation when we decide to move forward. The Tech Committee will work on mapping this plan out.