

**OMS Tech Committee Meeting**  
**11/18/08**

**Present:** Julee Accardo, Terry Anderberg, Paul Appel, Jacob Bucholz, Bill Eagle, Tom Hackenmiller, Dan Myers

1. **Review September meeting minutes:** Previous meeting's minutes reviewed. Noted there was no October meeting as we had no budget figures available.
2. **Building Tech Plan:** Tech Plan states our goal is to increase the number of teachers at Tier 2 by 10%. We have no written focus to move staff toward this. Tech Thursdays have been cut to three per year, and have been scheduled for November 20<sup>th</sup>, February 19<sup>th</sup> and March 19<sup>th</sup>. Talked about whether we need to request LID time from the LIT to provide training to move staff toward Tier 2. No decision made, but something to think about.
3. **Budget:** This year's budget is \$6,345. We have spent approximately \$200, so have an available balance of \$6,137.64.
4. **Fund Requests:**

\$614.80 – Mike Mueller, 42 sets of headphones for computer lab (or 30 for \$461.10). Questioned the need for 42. Bill will check with Mike regarding the quantity. Approved the purchase of 30. Need to have a way of securing headphones when not in use and a check out system to make sure they are returned.

\$463.35 – music instructors, digital voice recorders (3 at \$129.99 each). To be used for student assessment. Approved.

\$200 – back up hard drive for the main office. Will ask Dave Yancey to purchase first. If he will not, then purchase approved through tech levy funds.

Future fund request:

There are 14 iMacs in the library that need to be replaced with eMacs. Do not know the price at this time, but it is something to keep in mind.

Mimeo smart board. Great tool for math teachers, allows them to write on whiteboard and have all information saved to computer. Also allows for charts and graphs to be pulled from the computer onto the whiteboard. Foothills has one.

Survey equipment. The survey equipment (clickers) we purchased last year have not been used as much as we had hoped. The software is not as good as we thought it would be and takes some work to set it up. It's possible we may look at purchasing another type of equipment through a math grant that is less expensive and works better, and is similar to what Pioneer is using. Ron thinks there may be somewhere in-district that would have use for our old system and we may be able to transfer it to them.

5. **Tech Support discussion.** Have been having problems with the servers this year. The district changed/ upgraded them without letting us know. Feel we should have received some notification or communication regarding possible implications of this before it occurred. Communication from tech department regarding the status of the server and other issues has been awkward and frustrating. As a building, we would like to be included in the decision-making process. Bill will bring this concern to the principals' meeting.

6. **Calendar of future meetings:**

December 9<sup>th</sup>

January 13<sup>th</sup>

February 10<sup>th</sup>

March 10<sup>th</sup>

April 14<sup>th</sup>

May 12<sup>th</sup>

No meeting in June unless necessary or there are funds left to be spent.