

**MINUTES**  
**WOONSOCKET TECHNOLOGY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017**  
**MCFFEE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**  
**108 High Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895**

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Meeting started at 6:30 p.m. For the record the following individuals were present: Soren Seale, SC Chairman; Patrick McGee, Superintendent; Alfred Notarianni, Director of Technology; Sheri Thibeault, Recording Secretary; Geoff Barrow, Network/System Administrator; Ted Wheeler, Elementary Technology Specialist; Mike Sexton and Heather Neil, Technology Coaches

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Discussion/Approval of the December 15<sup>th</sup> minutes.

The minutes were approved by S. Seale.

Discussion on devices.

A. Notarianni explains the difference between the 3 devices that could be purchased for the students so they will be able take PARCC testing. The laptops that we received quotes for are:

- Apple MacBook Airs
- HP ProBooks
- HP ChromeBooks

The time it takes to get the laptop deployed will be much faster with the ChromeBooks because of the Management Software, and with the ProBook everything has to be installed on the device one by one. He explains that the Apple laptops are just too expensive and he would like Heather Neil and Mike Sexton to show a slide presentation on why the district would like to purchase ChromeBooks. After the presentation Al explains that the children will be able to login to the computer using a Q-code, also with the Q-code they will be able to use it for the library and lunches. We would like to purchase 2 carts with 30 laptops for each Elementary School, 6 carts with 30 laptops for the WHS and 7 carts with 30 laptops for the each of the Middle Schools so the total of laptops that we would like to purchase is 1,020.

The following items will be placed on the next agenda:

- Defined vision on the life cycle of the ChromeBooks.
- Two different visions for laptops:
  - One on One deployment.
  - WHS & WMS One on One and Lighthouse classrooms for the Elementary Schools.
- What School Districts already have one on one and what are the benefits.

Next Committee meeting date.

March 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 will be the next meeting date.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Thibeault, Recording Secretary