LHU Technology Report - Sept. 2021

Respectfully submitted, Chris Morton

*Standing Committee Members: Chris Morton, Ryan Hill, Josie Spreher, Andrew Frantz*

# Updates for 9/15 Board Meeting

Still busy with back-to-school. Note increase in tech budget from $59k to $65k this year to cover rising subscription costs - Zoom healthcare, Transparent classroom, ParentSquare. No recommendation for board action at this time.

# 8/30 Meeting Minutes

Present at meeting: Chris, Josie, Andrew, Kari Schwab, Leslie Hamilton, Stephanie Deming (joint Communications / Technology meeting)

## Budget Update:

* Budget spent YTD: $2.5k/$65k
* Recent major spend: Nothing yet
* Upcoming major spend:
  + 3 staff MacBook Airs
  + Chromebook order to manage backfill / needed repairs
  + Planned subscription renewals

## Old Business:

* By staggering EOG testing, admin has eliminated need for additional devices
* Staff MacBook Airs will be on a 6-8 year refresh cycle goal
  + Spending plan: Purchase ~15/year

## New Business / Current technology challenges:

* Andrew keeping an eye on impact of Apple M1 vs Intel chips on compatibility, management overhead, refresh cycles
  + FileWave management software - manageable so far
* Would like to see updated device inventory by level, model-age
  + Asset audits are done every year, but device inventory hasn’t been updated since 2019 due to COVID
* Joint meeting of Technology/Communications every 2 months
  + Josie asked if we could send an agenda out ahead of meeting
  + Standing Agenda:
    - “Budget Update” - Spend YTD, Recent spend, Upcoming spend

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# Projects / Issues

## No current projects

## De-prioritized Project Backlog:

* Digital records retention, physical storage costs set to double
  + $300/mo
* Printing issues/upgrades
  + Cost for “document release” w/pin
  + Worth reviewing when printer lease / support contract is up