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Technology School Board Report
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- As of October, the Innovation Lab (STEM Lab) at WLCS is running with students creating videos and news segments using green screens and video editing systems. This technology driven space is designed for creation and collaboration using high tech tools. Two new 3d Printers have been installed and there are teaching units planned this year for computer programming and robotic design. Virtual reality and 3d rendering systems have been budgeted for next fiscal year.
- 15 Chrome tablets have been setup and delivered to FRES for lower elementary use. These systems provide touch screen devices for students in an environment consistent with other devices in the district. Teachers were provided training on their use and we will be looking to expand the number of systems we have next fiscal year.
- There was an unscheduled phone system outage the evening of Nov 7th due to an engineering error from Mitel. The outage did not happen during the school day but all phones district wide were affected. The issue was cleared before school the following day.
- After discussion with the PUC and Mitel it has been determined that, the best course of action for the 654 phone numbers is that they remain with TDS and Mitel will decrease our bill by \$475/mo to cover the cost of the Call Forwarding charges. This agreement will remain in place in perpetuity until we end service with Mitel or until Mitel has a porting agreement in place with TDS and can accept the numbers. Mitel was extremely apologetic for this issue and has changed their onboarding process for new customers moving forward.
- Two new large format TV display screens have been installed at WLCS, one in the library and the other in the computer lab. These screens are being used for news broadcasting, announcements and mirroring of computer devices.
- After discussion with both town administrators it has been determined that, the SAU will not be able to extend services without additional staffing. At this time we will not be looking to increase staffing levels of the IT department but I have offered to provide feedback and opinions to the towns should they need assistance in the future.

Respectfully,

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