MADISON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING CB MURRAY BUILDING Tuesday, November 10, 2020

The safety committee meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Micheal Wetherbee.

Committee members present were: Micheal Wetherbee, Kendra Horn, John Russ Hamilton, Klint Todd, and Destiny Howser (via Zoom). Sara Decker and Rodney Braaten were absent.

There were no visitors.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

TECHNOLOGY: Destiny Howser updated the committee on the following: There is currently a shortage of Chromebooks, but the District has 15 on order; some of the original Chromebooks are starting to have problems, but they are still under warranty; grades 5-8 have started using their Chromebooks and it is going well; she is able to work on the Chromebooks remotely; over the summer, the Wi-Fi in the elementary was updated and there is now a guest Wi-Fi; the new server was installed and that went well; ISM has been really helpful; we have the highest bandwidth available through Three Rivers, so even if we go to remote learning only, there should be no problems; we may go back down to a lower level and see if it impacts anything; overall, there is less use of desktop computers in the District, but they are more reliable for testing; the next area that will probably need to be updated is the elementary computer lab, but the RAM can be upgraded rather than replacing the machines; the computer that manages the door locks was finally upgraded, and she asked Kenco Security for a quote for a new system; ISM has helped to work out some of the issues we were having with the phone system. Mr. Wetherbee looked into an agreement with NFHS to stream sporting events, but it was expensive for the District, and charged a fee to any users of the program; the District can stream games on YouTube and it is free to the District and to spectators. Other discussion included, but was not limited to: if it becomes necessary to go to distance learning, the best platform may be Google Meet; it is already linked to Google Classroom; all elementary teachers now have their webcams; it is a good idea to teach students how to access distance learning platforms while they are here so they will know what to do if they need to do it at home.

SCHOOL DATA PRIVACY CONSORTIUM: Any site or program where students make their own account must have an agreement between the District and the company regarding the protection of student information; Mrs. Howser is working on this, and expects we will have approximately 30 agreements total, and we are nearing compliance.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:42 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

The minutes of this meeting were recorded and transcribed by Rebecca E. Larsen, District Clerk.

CLERK