

# BLUE OAKS PTC

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## Special Meeting Minutes December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm. There were 19 people in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mimi Magadia.

**Business Actions:** Quotes were passed out for new computer lab systems and monitors and upgrades for the existing lab computers that would be moved to the pods and classrooms. The cost for single-unit computers would be about an additional \$12000. The money for purchasing the computers was proposed to come from the Tiles for Technology fund, about \$5800 and the remaining amount from savings. There is about \$65,000 in reserve; \$5,000-\$13,000 earmarked as spent for the year, which would leave about \$20,000-\$23,000 after the computer purchase.

It was discussed that in the future the PTC will need to set aside money each year from the general budget for technology, specifically for the cost of replacing the lab in another 5-7 years. Some of the challenge with technology is that is changing so rapidly. We need to bump up our basic infrastructure with common core coming and with children having to take the tests on the computers. Additional technology can be piloted during this time.

The proposal is for 38 computers, allowing for upper grade class to use the computer lab, including the special day students who push in to the general education classes. There is a three-year warranty on the computers. The PTC has been assured by the district Information Technology staff that the computers purchased by the PTC will not be taken off the Blue Oaks campus. The existing computer lab computers will roll out to the pods and classrooms to replace the even older computers in those locations.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Jerica Siska to approve up to \$40,000 for the purchase of new computers for the computer lab and upgrades to 30 existing computer lab computers to be moved to pods and classrooms as outlined in the quotes. The money will first come from the tiles-for-Technology account, approximately \$5800. The remainder will come out of savings. This money will be for 38 new computers. The motion was seconded by Cindy Mastro. The motion approved unanimously.

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**Open Floor:** Please let other Blue Oaks parents know that after the purchase of the computers there will still be about 20,000-30,000 dollars in reserves. The money raised by the PTC is used to improve our school for the children. We need to make a plan for earmarking future money to maintain the computer lab over time.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm.