META Strategic Plan DRAFT 2014-18

Core Ideology

Core Purpose

Technologists united into a professional association advocating for and supporting the education of all Montana children.

Core Values

- 1. **Influence**. Provide a voice to influence decisions on educational process at the school, district, state and federal level.
- 2. **Best Practice.** Develop, improve, share, and promote best practices for technology in education.
- 3. **Professional Community.** Develop a community to provide professional growth, productive relationships and mutual respect among members.

Envisioned Future

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META's vision for technology and collective leadership are recognized globally for driving the transformation of education for all children!

Vivid Descriptions

- META is the "go to" organization at the local, state and federal level when considering education technology policy and practices.
- Using a "process think" strategy to personalize educational programming.
- All audiences recognize the value added through implementing the strategies, leadership and practices developed through META.

Goal and Strategic Objectives

1. **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:** Cultivate a learning community which supports the expansion of knowledge through regional and statewide meetings, conferences and collaboration.

Strategic Objectives

1.1 List serve

- 1.1.1 Determine future of the TechRats list serve
- 1.2 Regional Meetings
 - 1.2.1 General expectations of regional directors
 - 1.2.2 General procedures of regional meetings
 - 1.2.2.1 Protocol for membership input (scheduled time at regional meeting including vote to push to the board level.)

1.3 Tech talks

- 1.3.1 Encourage each region to host at least one tech talk each year.
- 1.4 Conferences
 - 1.4.1 Align META with SAM Adminstrators Institute
 - 1.4.2 Align annual membership meeting with MASS spring conference in March
 - 1.4.2.1 Have annual budget prepared for approval
- **2. TECHNOLOGY READINESS:** Facilitate a statewide initiative to compile and share resources to enhance educational tech readiness.

Strategic Objectives

- 2.1 Explore options to develop specified tools.
 - 2.1.1 Create RFP to contract services
- 2.2 Determine types of resources to be compiled and shared through META
 - 2.2.1 Shared warehouse for documentation
 - 2.2.2 Survival guides
 - 2.2.3 Strategic plans
 - 2.2.4 Best Practices
 - 2.2.5 Boilerplates/templates
 - 2.2.6 Transition guides & support
 - 2.2.7 Digital Blasts
- 2.3 Develop organizational procedures and policies
 - 2.3.1 Determine framework for vendor relationships, sponsorships and participation
 - 2.3.2 META sponsored technologist of the year award
- **3. ADVOCACY:** META members validate and influence policies, procedures, programs and funding strategies to support a digital-age education for all students. Strategic Objectives
 - 3.1 META is seen as a relevant and vital participant during local, state and federal discussions pertaining to education.
 - 3.2 Develop platform of positions and resolutions in advance to represent technology education issues though the delegate assembly.
 - 3.3 Explore national affiliation options.