

**Minutes of the Technology Committee Meeting Held December 12, 2011
In the Calabasas Middle School Library**

I. Introduction

A public meeting of the Santa Cruz Valley Unified School District No. 35 Technology Committee was called to order at 3:45 p.m.

Present at the meeting were the following:

Stephen Saint-Coeur, Allison Fluke, Donna Bazzo, Haydee Montemayor, Linda South, Mary Lucker, Raymond Meeker, Jennifer Meeker, and Jennifer Spegal.

II. Discussion:

Mr. Saint-Coeur outlined the new features of Genesis, soon to be called, Synergy. New features include a drop-down-box for switching between schools, the ability for teachers to import grades from an excel spreadsheet, support for Android and IPHones, Grade book Alerts for teachers to automatically notify other teachers of grades, and language bars for translation to 250+ languages.

Information on the personal device policy was updated. The personal device policy was sent to the lawyer and we are awaiting the response on this.

New website was discussed. Committee members suggested that we ask for a search feature, the ability to make blogs, and that we find a provider that allows for a WYSIWYG editing feature for WebPages.

The transfer over to Gmail over the Christmas break was also discussed. Mr. Saint-Coeur indicated that all of the present users email and contact will be ported over and a new email link will be displayed on the website.

Committee members discussed their concern with the lack of training for Gmail and technology in general. Mr. Saint-Coeur indicated there was no training for Gmail is being planned for now. Mr. Saint-Coeur asked Technology Committee members to assist fellow staff members in the crossover to Gmail at the beginning of the Spring semester.

Discussion moved then to solutions to the slow student computers in the library at Rio Rico High School in particular and the District in general. Mr. Saint-Coeur outlined a plan to build a "Terminal Server" that students can use that would be much faster. Plans are to implement a pilot for this at RRRHS Library in February.

IV. Agenda items for the next meeting:

Agenda items for the next meeting will be feedback from the Gmail crossover and a presentation by one of the Web developers on their suggestions and ideas for templates for our new website.