



## ***New Jersey Association of School Administrators***

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TO: NJASA Technology Committee Members

FROM: Mary Capasso, NJASA Director Business Development

**RE: Meeting Notes - October 4, 2016**

DATE: October 10, 2016

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The NJASA Technology Committee met at 10:00 am on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at NJASA Headquarters in Trenton.

In attendance were: Dr. Scott Rocco, NJASA Treasurer and Co Chair, Spotswood, Middlesex county; Brian Z. London, Weymouth Township, Atlantic county; J. Scott Strong, Merchantville, Camden county; Dr. Alfred Savio, West Cape May, Cape May county; Michael Fetherman, Cedar Grove Township, Essex county; Robert Iocona, Kingsway Regional/South Harrison, Dr. Patrick McAleer, Pitman, Gloucester county; Tom Farrell, Shore Regional, Monmouth county; Dr. Vanessa Clark, Lacey Township, Ocean county; Nicholas Diaz, Frelinghuysen Township, Warren county; Tom Murray, Future Ready Schools, Chris Porter, NaviGate Prepared, Mary Capasso, NJASA Staff Liaison, and Anne Gallagher, NJASA Staff Liaison.

Dr. Rocco opened the meeting with committee introductions followed by discussions on the following agenda items:

### **Association Update – Dr. Rocco, NJASA Treasurer**

Dr. Rocco updated the committee on-

- Legislation as it relates to the resurrected Bill requiring Computer Science by 2023
- Superintendent Evaluation Subcommittee work with NJSBA tying into the 10 Standards
- NJASA/FEA/AASA Women in Leadership Conference – March 30-31, 2017 at the Forsgate Country Club.
- Senator Sweeney's remarks before the NJASA Executive Committee
- Joint Committee on Public Schools
- Salary Cap update

### **NaviGate Prepared Presentation**

Chris Porter, Account Manager, delivered a 20 minute presentation on NaviGate's school safety emergency response system designed to assist and prepare school officials and first responders for emergency situation. Chris is looking to pilot the program in NJ and the pricing reflects this.

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### **Future Ready Schools Presentation**

Tom Murray, Director of Innovation spoke to the Committee and shared resources which are "free".

**Website:** [www.futureready.org](http://www.futureready.org)

**Pledge for Superintendents:** [www.futureready.org/pledge](http://www.futureready.org/pledge)

**Future Ready Dashboard:** [dashboard.futurereadyschools.org](http://dashboard.futurereadyschools.org).

**Future Ready Framework:** [dashboard.futurereadyschools.org/framework](http://dashboard.futurereadyschools.org/framework)

Future Ready Schools (FRS) is a bold effort to maximize digital learning opportunities and help school districts move quickly toward preparing students for success in college, a career, and citizenship. Beginning with a systemic planning process, FRS will help any district develop the human and technological capacity needed to personalize learning. With more than 2,000 districts already signing the *Future Ready District Pledge*, the Alliance for Excellent Education (the Alliance) and the U.S. Department of Education (ED) are leading this effort alongside a vast coalition of organizations.

### **Instructional Technology Best Practices**

Discussion started with a review of last year's thoughts of working with the New Jersey Department of Education on a concept of "no more snow days" where educational technology could be used to make up days where school was closed due to weather or other issues. The discussion continued with identifying the topic the committee would like to focus on and if this could produce a document or white paper that would be submitted to the New Jersey Department of Education for feedback.

### **Techspo '17:**

Discussions included a request to the committee members to encourage their staff to submit session proposals and ask their colleagues at Roundtables to solicit in their respective districts. To date only 58 have been received and the goal is 80+. The deadline was extended from October 7 to October 14 to encourage additional submissions. Click on the proposal link or paste in your browser.

**<http://bit.ly/2b1xKKI>**

A request for proposal readers is open. Please email Mary Capasso at [mcapasso@njasa.net](mailto:mcapasso@njasa.net) if you are interested in volunteering. This is an electronic process which will be completed by the second week in November.

The Travel Waiver was approved the NJ Commissioner of Education. As a result, school districts, charter schools and renaissance school projects will be able to **reimburse** attendees for **overnight lodging** on January 26th to the extent permitted by *N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.11(c)and(f)*. Harrah's Resort Atlantic City is the official host hotel for the TECHSPO '17 Conference.

**Keynote Speaker suggestions included:**

- Matt Beaudreau
- Adam Bellow
- Ian Jukes
- James Veitch
- Mark Wood
- Lavanna Roth
- Derek McCoy
- Don McMillan
- Heidi Heyes Jacobs
- Jane McGonigle

The Committee narrowed down the search to Matt Beaudreau and Jane McGonigle.

**Included in this year's Techspo '17 will be**

- Microsoft Experience Center
- Maker Space
- Possibility of additional labs (strategically set up in the conference pre-function area)
- Please use #Techspo17 as this year's hashtag for the conference.

**New Business:**

Please email Mary Capasso at [mcapasso@njasa.net](mailto:mcapasso@njasa.net) if you have additional topics you would like to explore with the Committee.

**Meeting Calendar:**

- December 7, 2016
- February 28, 2017
- May 25 (this is a snow date if needed)

***Meeting adjourned at approx 12:30pm***