

## **Advisory Committee on Teaching and Learning (ACTL)**

### **Minutes**

**Syphax Building, rooms 454/456/458**

**Wednesday, April 3, 2024**

**Present:** Michael Cieslak, Katie McNabb Cochran, Jessica Mueller, Ginnie Gordon, Melissa Hyatt, Gerald Mann, Anne Paris, Tia Alfred, Todd Truitt, Amy Graham, Jenny Roahen Rizzo, Allison Babb, Sheila Kelly, Robin Wallin, Marietta Palmer, Erik Johnson, Wendy Pizer, Jill Abbott, Katie Sunderland, Dr. Kristin Devaney, Kate McKenney

Attending via Zoom: Kelli Bergin, Jimisha Relerford

**7:00 pm, Welcome, approve minutes from February meeting** (Jenny Roahen Rizzo)

The March minutes were approved with no questions or objections.

**7:10, APS Budget Update** (Jenny Roahen Rizzo)

Jenny Roahen Rizzo outlined some key points in the current APS proposed budget and provided a timeline with opportunities for engagement.

**7:15, Long-term Substitutes Discussion** (Katie McNabb Cochran)

Meeting attendees divided into two groups, one focusing on elementary schools and one focusing on secondary schools. They discussed what input they had received from their communities on the impact of long-term substitutes on learning. The smaller groups reported out to the full group after their discussions.

**7:45, Educational technology, school devices, personal devices, Lightspeed**

School Health Advisory Board (Allison Babb, Sheila Kelly, Robin Wallin)

SHAB co-chairs outlined draft recommendations, including “Away for the Day” policy for secondary schools

Educational Technology Advisory Committee (Chris Woolfe)

Chris Woolfe shared a summary of data gathered from an external study of students’ use of digital learning devices in 2019 and included some changes that have been implemented since that study. Meeting participants discussed effective uses of technology in small groups and reported out to the full group.

Information Services presentation about Lightspeed

Information Services staff discussed transition from Global Protect to Lightspeed for content filtering on APS devices and gave a preview of the optional parent portal that will soon be available for interested families to pilot.

**8:50, Meeting Ends**