

Westside AzTEA  
Meeting Summary - Jan 19, 2005

**Present**

Jennifer Lyndsay (Dysart), Rick Baker (Pendergast), Melissa Frey, Linda Thompson (WESD), Amanda Ulsh (Litchfield), Kim Flack (ASSET), Nan Williams (Alhambra), Ruth Catalano (retired), Laurie Shragge (GESD)

**Review of recent events - Melissa**

AzTEA Tech Integration Group spearheaded by Debi Spaulding. First meeting at Fowler last month. Online community created by Nan Williams.

Nan and Laurie's Saturday workshop, Dec. 9.  
Pointed out that there were to be 2 more "events" and WOW still to provide members this spring.

Nan reviewed the on-line community and the Saturday morning event.

**Question and discussion regarding future events, Feb 23 and April 4**

Reviewed handout of Survey Monkey results. (Thank you Peggy George)

Discussion of the response re "Information about Grants" – conclusion is that teachers would want to know about the "classroom" grants. One solution would be to add to our webpage information about little grants.

Determined topic for Feb 23 – Creating Test Success, Using the Web to Increase Student Testing Skills. Just in Time for AIMS Review..... Helping Students Achieve

Nan and Kim shared the TEAMS Teaching Circles eWorkshop Archive on the testing site

Location for the workshop will be GESD, 4:00 – 5:30. Ruth will provide snacks and water. Laurie Shragge will check availability of site.

Peggy will create Survey Monkey RSVP page.

Presenters: Tammy Hernandez, ASSET was mentioned as a potential presenter. Email will be sent to leadership group to find anyone interested in preparing and presenting workshop. That group will then meet to plan. Email will be sent out to Westside membership as soon as location is set.

### **Nan shared TappedIn**

Log on, sign in and send Nan Williams your user name information so she can get you into the AzTEA Tech Integration Group for dialogue. Nan will post things you find if you want. It's very, very easy and the HelpDesk is REAL and "always there".

Anytime that you enter a professional development "room" you will get a transcript of what you did. It reminds you what you "got" while there.

Rick raised question about a district's AUP and the ban on Chat Rooms – would have to warn them to do it from home or... there is an option to enable or disable chats. The chats are moderated by VERY top people (Bernie Dodge). We (AZTEA) have our own group the AzTEA Tech Intregation Group with 7 people registered so far. We can post, post to bulletin board, discussion board, etc.

The original base was a grant funded option. In the summer they have a 1 day summer "carnival" with a professional development component all on-line.

Everyone can join TappedIn even if not an AzTEA member – would be a way to recruit.

### **WOW update**

Update from Ruth on planning and meeting with ASU West

Reviewed Nan's postcard

Still looking for maps to hand out to participants

Linda Thompson – will contact Farmers Insurance as possible source

Rick Baker will ask Ken Barr

Next planning meeting, Feb. 2, 4:00, Ruth's house.

### **Meeting Date Change**

Discussed changing monthly Westside Leadership meetings to the 3<sup>rd</sup> WED of each month rather than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday. Approved. Will send out email notification of change.

**Lunch** - Joined the Tech SIG group for lunch provided by AzTEA

Joint Meeting – Sharing of common issues

Some issues brought up:

Staff development

Technology integration

Roles – providing tools

How to make sure teachers know about resources

Getting teachers to take the step of using technology – too many teachers afraid to step out

Administrators – both groups have things they would like administrators to understand better.