

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY TEAM  
MINUTES  
MEETING DATE APRIL 20, 2004

The meeting opened with Paula Borland giving the welcome and introducing guests. Mary Decker, Occupational Therapist with Todd County Schools and Kim Hawkins, ECE teacher with Metcalfe County Schools were guests.

Terri Stice, with GRREC, spoke to the group about the upcoming KITA training to be held at Warren Central on June 15-16. She discussed various presenters and indicated that the session had a cap size. The workshop number is #001-05. To register online, go to <http://www.grrec.coop.k12.ky.us/> She also spoke about the United Streaming Company. This company has over 20,000 videos available to download by teachers/staff at the cost of \$500 per school for one year. The topics are numerous including core content areas, behavior, community, social skills, etc. Downloading these videos would allow teachers/schools to compile individual video libraries. Ms. Stice is presenting the information to local Superintendents and Co-ops.

The committees broke into individual sessions to review action plans. The Professional Development committee scheduled the next CATT team meeting to be held at the Caveland office on August 18, 2004. Professional development for this day will include Terri Stice, GRREC, conducting a Marco Polo and web-based activities session. Ms. Stice will present in the morning. Paula Borland, CESC, will present on various assistive technology items available for loan at Caveland. She will present in the afternoon. Each committee will meet sometime during the day.

Presenters for the day included Leslie Brauer, ECE teacher with Glasgow Independent schools and John Hills, representing SchoolComputer.com Co.

Leslie's presentation on Trash to Treasure (How to provide assistive technology on a shoestring budget) was outstanding! She shared with the group various items including: cooler grips, mouse house, clear colored folder cut to size, interface and switch to turn on various items and card holders. She also introduced various AT items which she had created. Leslie provided valuable knowledge and ideas for making AT devices with such items as cookie

sheets, lids from plastic containers, foam, speaker wire, etc.

John Hills with SchoolComputer.com Co., presented on an electronic white board. This board will run on either platform, PC or Mac. The board allows the user to project and view programs from the users PC. The board has numerous features and would be a valuable tool in the classroom. To obtain more information go to the website [www.schoolcomputer.com](http://www.schoolcomputer.com) .

Paula Borland shared the A.T. Wizard website. This site is a resource for teachers in areas such as writing, math, transition, computer access, behavior, and many more. Visit the website [WWW.WKEC.ORG](http://WWW.WKEC.ORG) and go to A.T. Wizard by David A. Daniels.

After an interesting and informative day, the meeting was adjourned.

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