

Floor Committee #14: Support Services

Subject: Technology Services

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The WELS Technology team's primary calling is to connect gospel-sharers with the available technologies to better assist in the spread of the gospel. Its work encompasses many service areas including web services and software. This report focuses on the work in the area of information services. We are thankful for the synod creating a new security analyst position and promoting Mr. Aaron Hopefl to that position. This position allows for regular analysis and assistance in the work to keep a secure environment. Looking ahead and being aware of the constant need to be vigilant, the Information Services team will seek out two new vendors for software licensing and a new password management solution. We have been blessed that our synod has not seen a tremendous amount of security breaches, and we pray that this new position and future licensing will continue to mitigate this.

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