

Floor Committee 07: Support Services -Technology

Subject: Technology

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We commend WELS Technology Group for its ministry focused efforts to meet the needs of our synod in an ever changing digital world. We highlight its work of having upgraded the synod's operating systems built on Microsoft Office 365 and SharePoint technologies. Attention is directed to ongoing programs including WELSource, Multi-Language Publications, the synod's mobile app and ShopWELS. Looking ahead we encourage the WELS Technology Group to continue to pursue their stated primary areas of focus: 1) migration of all forms to digital in connection with WELSource, 2) improve security, 3) additional assistance provided to cross-cultural mission work, and 4) further migration and upgrade of web properties.

Last, but not least, we gratefully acknowledge the efforts of the WELS Technology Group to accomplish the significantly challenging projects completed in the previous two years.

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