

EdTechSA

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EdTechSA2015 Conference

With ACEC2014 a memory EdTechSA has spent the first half of 2015 planning and looking at new initiatives for the future. The Annual General Meeting saw some long-term committee members stand down and the arrival of new committee members bringing with them new ideas and viewpoints to expand the horizons of EdTechSA. EdTechSA thanks Trudy Sweeney, Al Upton, Jacqui Knipe and Steven Knipe for their contributions over the years. Tina Photakis is the new EdTechSA President and ACCE Representative, with Sue Urban as Vice-President and Treasurer and Vicki Newton as Secretary.

Professional Learning activities, in the form of Spotlight sessions, during the first half of the year, have had themes of integration with Mathematics and Geography, Scratch and Social Media. Our work with SACE IT teachers and students continue as previous years with workshops and revision sessions. Our Annual Conference will be held during the July School holidays. With Keynote speakers of Julie Lindsay and Katrina Faulkner leading the workshop based conference. Our theme of debugging digital technologies, hope to widen the horizon for educators new to this field.

Developments for the second part of the year include the new flavour TeachMeets which have returned and evolving, continually expanding the variety of participants beyond the technology field. The Committee is investigating becoming involved in the Young ICT Explorers for 2016, as South Australia at the moment is not involved.