



## Open Education Subcommittee

August 12, 2008 10:00 am

Community Idea Stations, 23 Sesame Street Richmond, VA. 23235

- **Call to order:** Chairman's welcome.
- **Staff Update**
- **Aneesh Chopra, Secretary of Technology:** Secretary Chopra will provide an update on efforts to promote open source textbooks through CK-12. CK-12 is a non-profit organization located in Palo Alto, CA working on creating flexbooks or customized content for high school students using open source and content.
- **Stewart Smith, Education Specialist, Community Idea Stations:** Mr. Smith previously worked for Henrico County Public schools where he taught fourth and fifth grades as well as served in various leadership capacities. In his current role, he uses his experience to develop and implement instructional technology training for Central Virginia's public school divisions and local technology consortia. Additionally, he manages eKlips, the Community Idea Stations video repository for Virginia educators.
- **Dr. Richard Baraniuk, Founder, Connexions:** Connexions is an environment for collaboratively developing, freely sharing, and rapidly publishing scholarly content on the Web. Connexions contains educational materials for everyone – from children to college students to professionals – organized in small modules that are easily connected into larger collections or courses. All content is free to use and reuse under the Creative Commons "attribution" license. Dr. Baraniuk holds a B.Sc. degree from the University of Manitoba, a M.Sc. degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and a Ph.D. degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, all in electrical engineering.
- **Kirk Schroder and representatives from Pearson Education:** Recent developments education technology.

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- **Open Discussion**
- **Public comment:** Members of the public will be given the opportunity to comment on the work of the Open Education Subcommittee.
- **Adjourn.**