

Technology Planning Committee 2009-2010

Meeting Minutes October 23, 2009, Education Annex 120

Attendees

D. M. Baylen, Chair (Senate)	J. Wei (COB)
T. M. Chowns, Assistant Chair (Senate)	J. Huett (COE)
K. Kral (CIO/ITS)	S. Welch (SON)
D. Fulkerson (Library)	A. Webster (SGA)
R. Xu (CAS)	

Not Present

J. Blair (CAS)	M. Aldrich (VPAA)
B. Brickman (CAS)	M. Renfrow (Facilities)
S. Lingrell (Student Affairs)	S. Broom (Development)
S. D. Lindo (SGA)	A. Cooper (SGA)

AGENDA

Old Business

1. The minutes of the September 28 meeting were approved as presented.
2. No subcommittee reports were presented.
3. Campus IT evaluation is problematic because of a lack of concrete data in annual reports. Baylen has a list of topics that need to be addressed. Whether it is necessary to carry out this evaluation yearly is open to question.

New Business

1. Susan Welch was welcomed as a new member of the committee from the School of Nursing.
2. Kathy Kral described activities during the Cyber security Awareness Month.
 - A poster competition with enough entries for a year's display.
 - 30-40 people attended the keynote address, "The Academy Awards for Movies and what they can Teach Us" given by Ross Meltz of Secure Works.
 - Kral emphasized the need for care of thumb drives. No sensitive information (e.g., SSNs) should be stored. Encrypted thumb drives are available (e.g., Iron Key).
3. Update on E-Mail Issues
 - According to Kral the Board of Regents is looking into a state-wide contract with Microsoft Live. Thus any action on Google Mail is on hold.
 - The upgrading of student e-mail addresses has been postponed until the Thanksgiving break. Due to unusual characters in many e-mail addresses migration of mail boxes was more complicated than expected.
4. Resurrecting and Rethinking Technology Coordinating Council (TCC)
 - Baylen shared and discussed his concern about the lack of a coordinating body to ensure a continuation of funding for technology upgrades and to discuss ongoing information/instructional technology issues impacting department/division functions. The Technology Coordinating Council (TCC) originally included representatives from each University division. Most of these people have since been absorbed into ITS and there is no coordinating body that is actively engaged on these issues.
 - The Distance Learning task force has also disbanded according to Huett. He further stated that as UWG moves forward as a destination university, there is a need to encourage more online courses.