

## **Campus Technology Policy & Planning Council**

**October 2, 2006**

**1:00 – 2:30 pm**

**DeGarmo 551**

Present: Sam Catanzaro, Dan Hayden, Trish Klass, Alan Lacy, Brent Paterson, Jim Moon, Bob Rariden, Beth Schobernd, Mark Walbert, and Shari Zeck

Absent: Bob Aaron and Sara Campbell

Mark welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **Old Business**

#### *Strategic Plan*

Mark announced that he had sent out the latest copy of the Executive Summary of the Strategic Plan on Thursday, September 28 and asked for feedback from the group. Trish had minor editorial changes. Shari asked if there could be an extra phrase that would be inclusive of instructional and creative technologies to define information technology. Mark explained that the Deans had come up with Academic Technology versus the information technology in order to more clearly define the difference. The group talked briefly about the differences. Since part of our charge is to talk about funding models and reorganizing structures, Shari noted that these discussions are important. Mark suggested adding a sentence in the first paragraph to define what technology is using “in support of creative teaching, learning and technology” and “in support of the University’s mission”.

Dan initiated a discussion regarding the paragraph that states this document actually has two purposes. After discussion, it was decided to state secondary on the second paragraph to indicate that the research on IT history at ISU and how IT spending compares to our benchmark schools, is not as important as the strategic goals and action items.

Mark announced that he will be meeting with Provost Advisory Council on Wednesday, October 4 and will distribute copies to PAC and asking for feedback. Cynthia James will be scheduling a time for Mark to talk to the Senate Executive Committee sometime in late October or early November.

Mark announced that he would be happy to meet with constituent advisory committees in each of the colleges or divisions. If you are interested, let Georgia know and she will schedule it on Mark’s calendar. He also has emailed the student body president, Ross Richards, to set a time for discussion.

A Web page will be set up soon off the CTSG Web site that will provide a link to a copy of the Public Beta version of the IT Plan and offer a Web form for feedback. Mark will edit the Public Beta late today and send it out to the committee, after which members are free to share it with constituents.

Mark asked committee members to send a description of IT in their specific areas if you have not already done it. Mark received a wealth of knowledge of information from Nancy Hiltibidal, who was cleaning out files regarding information about IT on campus, dating all the way back to Con Dietz.

#### *High Speed Internet2 Connectivity*

Mark distributed a draft executive summary from Scott Genung regarding *High-Speed Internet2 Connectivity at ISU* and asked for feedback. Membership in the Metropolitan Research and Education Network (MREN) will give Illinois State access to a large number of high-performance networks such as, Internet2, Lambda Rail, etc. The University will be obtaining MREN membership (instead of I2

membership) because of the lower membership price and access to more networks. He noted that once you become an I2 member you cannot quit... He asked committee members to read it and send him feedback on the document. The goal is to have a 1 GB pathway to high-speed networks by January.

Shari asked if there could be a small paragraph about what the institution is going to receive from this and how well is our local infrastructure set up to take advantage of it? Shari asked if some of those details could be put into this document. Someone asked what percentage of our labs are set up to take advantage of this. Brent noted that some of the information about the cost involved and how it works is not in the document. Mark will add that information and make that part of the document clearer. It was noted there is a discrepancy of the \$28,000 versus the \$33,000 in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> paragraphs. There will be an installation cost of \$110,000 with MREN (which is already paid for) that is missing in the document. Brent asked if the advantages and disadvantages of joining I2 could be added to the document. Mark added that it will be moved up front and then stated again in the conclusion. The group agreed that the document talks about a solution without understanding what exactly the problem is so the problem needs to be made clearer. Mark will come back to the committee with a second draft of this document.

#### *Update on DC visit*

Last week Chery Elzy represented Illinois State University at a hearing in Washington DC. She testified about Illinois State's *Digital Citizens Program*. We are the only school in the country right now working with the entertainment industry, monitoring hardware and software vendors, legal music service providers, and others to develop a comprehensive program for combatting the use of peer-to-peer software to trade copyrighted materials. Dave, Cheryl & Mark are going to speak about this Program at *Educause* next week on Tuesday, October 10.

#### *Meeting Maker migration to Exchange Update*

The Exchange consolidation working group met last week. They worked on the cost analysis for consolidating the Exchange servers running Outlook and their revised estimate of the one-time costs is much over 8 times higher than their original estimate. The annual cost also went up more than 5 times. The committee discussed how this may affect this project. Mark will be meeting with Steve Bragg on Tuesday, October 17, to talk about how to ask the VPs for financial support for this project.

#### **Next Meeting**

October 16, 2006  
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1:00 – 2:30 pm

Submitted by Georgia Bailey.