

Infrastructure Council

Minutes

22 Oct 2008

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3-5PM

Attendees:

Jane Brockmann

Marjorie Hoy

Chuck Frazier

Carol Walker

Rae Jesano

Tim Young

Michelle Foss

Mark Orazem

Tom Caswell

Bill Millard

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 PM

The minutes of the September 24, 2008 meeting were approved.

The council discussed information technology issues with Chuck Frazier, Interim CIO.

Rae Jesano updated the committee on a meeting she attended which discussed WebCT Vista which is being phased out. The committee is looking at various systems to decide what course management system is best for the university. There is a March 31 deadline to make a decision. Faculty from each college and appropriate IT people are on the committee and focus groups will be conducted of the selected course management systems.

The council needs to select a permanent member to serve on the course management system committee. Jane Brockmann will try to attend if Rae Jesano cannot attend.

Mark Orazem reported on the Information Technology Action Plan Task Force meeting he attended. The committee meets twice a week. He will report to the council on behalf of the task force and will report back to the task force about council concerns.

The council agreed that an electronic system that provides necessary tenure and promotion information would be helpful so that information is accessible and able to be easily turned into a useable format. Student evaluations and graduate committee assignments could be downloaded in a form suitable for T&P and SPP documents. The council would like to discuss this issue further in order to create recommendations for this proposal.

Chuck Frazier discussed IT governance. Faculty are concerned that they will lose control of their computers, costs will increased and services will not be improved with centralized systems.

Frazier discussed IT structure and the reporting structure for IT.

There are several committees under the Office of Information Technology including: academic technology, data infrastructure, high performance computing, networking infrastructure, and information security management.

The council would like to work with ITAC to determine the best way to ensure that appropriate faculty input is given when necessary.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM

