

8/30/11

ETC minutes

In Attendance: Wayne Johnson, Wendy Marshall, Linda Wright, Vann Scott, Pam Culberson, Jared Schlieper, David Jarrell, Angela Horne, Melissa Reams

1. Nominations for President: Wendy Marshall, Secretary Jared Schlieper, unanimously acclaimed
2. Updates:
 - a. Trish is the interim CIO
 - b. Vann Scott: requested that
 - i. tech fee committee be part of the ETC. VPAA, CIO, and 3 University employees. Not necessarily faculty.
 - ii. Past year tech fee was to get projector bulbs for lab, didn't work through the committee. Consumables must be included in the original requests.
 - c. **Update on classroom projectors**
 - i. Richard Horah is providing coordination and individual projectors,
 - ii. Greg Gellar is supporting the classroom technology rooms(newly updated rooms). Those rooms have mostly new projectors. Need list of rooms with tech, available for faculty and scheduling.
 1. Vann Scott: Regarding the smart rooms in psychology, new projectors did not work with new cards. e.g. SC1405, Stage Front(getting LCD panels to work with projectors) needs to recode these rooms (4-5).
 - d. Kristin Betts, the new Director of Online Learning, is writing a grant to get voice interface for LMS.
 - e. Lecture capturing, faculty interested? We have Wimba that can do this, no need to buy additional software
 - f. New computers were installed in the library. HP, Dell, Lenova Thinkpad possible new vendor for future upgrading purchases.
 - g. What is continuing with the smart classroom, like those in Gamble? 36 new classroom "carts" were added across campus, 3 more needed for Gamble. Dept heads must submit tech fee proposal in order for rooms to be upgraded to smart classroom.
 - h. Learning Management System, LMS, change over. Last semester a faculty committee was able to exam each LMS being considered by USG and provide feedback. The LMS committee chose Blackboard 9 as it choice to move from our current system, Vista. The committee also suggested hosting of LMS outside of USG, if possible(idea of former CIO, but this was actually not an option available to us). Desire2Learn is in line to be adopted by USG. Faculty need to be updated on this ASAP, along with a timeline as well as an idea of the process of moving materials to the new system, which is yet to be determined.
3. Plans for this year

- a. Monthly or every other month tech sessions/forums: TBA e.g., remote mouse, Wimba, Google Docs
 - i. how to sessions demonstrating success and failure of tech use in class.
 - b. Faculty surveys, on classroom technology, and other technology
 - i. Resend/edit previous survey and develop a smaller preliminary survey asking faculty to express concerns and ideas via open ended questions.
 - ii. Build new survey for additional tech, e.g., remote mouse.
 - c. Proposal to Faculty Senate to include the Director of Online Learning as a standing member of the committee.
 - d. Continue the ETC Blog along with promoting it more.
4. Schedule next meeting through using Doodle.