

SIUC Computing Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes of 28 January 2002

Those present: David Carlson, Philip Chu, Michelle Cunningham, James Duggan (recorder), James Fry, Andrew Lumpe, Geoff Nathan (guest), Don Olson (ex-officio), Don Rice, Kelly Thomas, Chih-Fang Wang, Tim Wills.

James Duggan invited Geoff Nathan, CAC representative to the Student Technology Fee Advisory Board, to provide a status report on the board's activities this year. Serving on the board this year were Tim Wills, Chair (USG representative), Geoff Nathan (CAC representative), Lawrence Juhlin (Student Affairs representative), Don Olson (Information Technology representative), Ray Gilmer (USG representative), Corey Tester (USG representative) and Patrick Richey (USG representative). James Duggan served in an ex officio capacity as chair of the Computer Advisory Committee. Geoff reported that the process went well this year, although the board was still working out some of the issues, and had the following recommendations: 1) make the application form available on a website, and provide some instructions as to what could be purchased and what could not be (i.e., this year, equipment to be used primarily by instructional faculty was not approved, as the funding came from student fees); 2) Coordinate approval of funding requests with graduate student fee advisory board (to avoid duplication of funding approval for specific requests); 3) urge faster appointment of student members of the Board by USG; 4) reach some conclusion about Vice-Chancellor Poshard's request to permanently sequester 1/3 of the funds to support IT's campus computer. The Board this year approved nearly \$840,000 in computer hardware and software purchases out of requests that totalled 2.2 million.

Don Olson reported on the CAC Long Range Planning Subcommittee's final "Long Range Plan". A short discussion followed. James Duggan asked that the CAC vote to approve the plan at the next (March 4) meeting. Don also mentioned 1) a new wireless internet provider, (<<http://poofwireless.com>>) was beginning to advertise in the region; 2) Admissions and IT were working on web registration with the goal of offering online registration by 2003; 3) IT was partnering with Morris Library to integrate the Student Information System with WebCT; 4) a rogue student server on campus and the ICN network problems were responsible for the internet outage/slowdown in the past few weeks.

Don Rice (chair, Academic Subcommittee), reported that his committee had not yet met (since the last CAC meeting).

The next meeting was set for Monday, March 4, 2002, from 3:00pm - 4:00pm in Morris Library's American Heritage Room (306).

Please let me know if there are any changes/corrections.

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