

Information Technology Advisory Council (ITAC)

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, March 10, 2011 in EPC 304C

Members in attendance: David Anderson (Chair), Cindy Brown, Jackie Crouch, Tabatha Farney, Jan Kemper, Kirk Moore, Karen Short, Scott Switzer, Jerry Wilson, Regina Winters

IT UPDATES

Kirk reported that:

- Phase I of the new **UCCS web page design** will be rolled out in the first week of April, with Phase II scheduled for fall. Phase I focuses primarily on the look and feel, while Phase II will focus on improved navigation. To see the new design, go to <http://www.uccs.edu/uccshome>. Please send comments or suggestions to Kirk Moore.

Jerry reported that:

- Our **telepresence** system was the subject of an international press conference held here at UCCS, in Bangalore, India, San Francisco, La Junta, and Denver. The recording can be seen at <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/12114722>. In addition,
 - * our current room is being redesigned, and a new system is being planned to accommodate a laboratory setting, perhaps as a mobile unit, and
 - * Cisco will be providing telepresence systems for our Chancellor's conference room and the CU President's office.
- Installation of the **VoIP** system will really get "rockin' and rollin'" in the next couple of weeks. Buildings on campus will experience some down time as this proceeds, but it is hoped that this will be mostly on evenings and weekends.
- A note should soon come out from the Chancellor, outlining both the new policy on, and the new procedures for, **faculty and staff email lists**, the gist of what will likely be:
 - * When users send emails to a list, they will be prompted with a pop-up window to agree to the terms of the policy.
 - * Users will no longer be able to reply to the list. Replies will go only to the original sender.
- Policies regarding the use of **social media** in academic courses are being developed, including mandatory training for "official" university sites.

BLACKBOARD UPDATES

David reported that:

- **Blackboard** is running smoothly, with just the routine hiccups. No major updates.

- The last remaining courses on **Moodle** – the Spanish placement exams – will be migrated to Blackboard by the end of this semester. All links to Moodle from campus web pages can be removed.

CAMPUS ONLINE TASK FORCE UPDATES

David reported that:

- He's not sure why he hasn't brought this to the attention of ITAC prior to this time, since the task force has been meeting since last year, but...
- The task force submitted a set of recommendations to the campus; those were approved. In broad terms, they are:
 - * To institute an initiative to develop courses for fully online degree completion programs. Currently such programs are slated for Business, Allied Health, and Criminal Justice.
 - * To promote a culture of administrative, academic, and technological support for these programs.
 - * To develop design guidelines by which proposed courses can be implemented, reviewed, and approved for inclusion in these programs.
 - * To establish a financial model to sustain online course development and delivery.

OLD BUSINESS

- The **proposed increases** in the **student tech fee** and the **online course fee** will go to the Board of Regents for approval this spring. The proposals are to increase in the student tech fee by \$0.50 this year and another \$0.50 next year, and to increase the online course fee to \$100 for Business and LAS (making it now consistent across all colleges).

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next ITAC meeting will be held at 9:00 on April 14, 2011 in EPC 304C.

Please report any corrections or omissions to David Anderson at danderso@uccs.edu.