

Members Present: John Maddux, Kevin Piercey, Greg Rainwater, Earle Doman, John Catau, Jeff Morrissey, Eric Shade, Ken McClure, Sue Ingram (via ITV)

Guests: Chantal Levesque-Bristol, David Caravella, Sarah Caldwell

Meeting called to order at 3:01 p.m.

John Catau stated that he is now the new chair of the IT Council. Future meeting dates will be changed due to a conflict with his schedule.

Networking Bandwidth Status Update

Jeff discussed the networking bandwidth status and stated that phase one is complete. The president agreed to fund the extra 100 megs of bandwidth and the campus is now operating at 410 megs as of two weeks ago. Phase two of the process regarding putting residence halls on a completely separate network is in the works. There is a target date set for spring break 2011. Mark Harsen will continue to keep the IT council updated. Jeff will be meeting with MoreNet to get figures and make sure that an appropriate budget is allocated and a realistic timeline is set. Jeff stated that there is a need to wait for the five year plan to solidify before pursuing moving out to areas demanding networking capacity. There has been collaboration with Cisco regarding an assessment on the architecture and they are ready to come back with a team and determine what capacity is needed to sync up with the next five years of initiatives. The time frame on this is another month.

Classroom Technologies (handout)

Jeff discussed the flowchart regarding the classroom technology process and support structure. It was stated that there are a number of subcommittees that were formed to provide specialized input to assist the IT Council. The majority of these subcommittees are now inactive and require membership. It was suggested that Dave Caravella chair the Instructional Technology Advisory Committee. Jeff stated that the IT council needs to review the process and support structure model in order to sync up with what the University wants to be doing. John Catau and Jeff will take a look at the subcommittees and determine which are active and which are not.

Title III Grant

Jeff discussed an opportunity regarding a DOE Title III grant that is available. This grant would provide funding to enhance classroom technologies and support services. The grant award, which would total two million dollars (\$400,000 a year for five years), would significantly enhance the university's classroom technologies. Mark Gaudette, a grant writer who has written proposals for MSU in the past, can meet with the committee to discuss what information he needs to help complete the application. Jeff stated that he would take the position of coordinating with subject matter experts to make sure their needs are met to stretch the \$2 million as far as it will go. John Maddux made a motion to develop a proposal for the Title III grant, Jeff seconded the motion, motion carried.

Other Business

Jeff will work on putting together an agenda for the December meeting, updating the minutes on the IT Council website, and talk to John Catau about the committee structure. Chantal will be involved in working with the Instructional Technology Advisory Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
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