

Central Student Technology Committee (CSTC)

Meeting: Friday February 18, 2005

Location: Union 203

Attendees: Maggie Deming, Jesse Ballard, Marcus Curley, Matt Deasaro, Klaus Hanson, Cheryl Hilman, Paul Medina, Kate Muir, John Nutter, William Russell, Michael Stephens, Mark Sunderman, Phyllis Brecher

1. Coe Library First Floor Lab

Maggie gave an overview of the proposal. Maggie explained that Jesse and she met with personnel from the libraries to discuss the CSTC taking over the lab. By taking over the first floor computers it would begin the process of integrating the reference area of the library with technology, the precursor to the development of the ILLC.

Discussion took place regarding the usage of the current lab and the reason for not expanding the downstairs lab. Jesse explained all 85 computers downstairs are heavily used and the statistics indicate that additional computers in Coe would be utilized.

Several student spoke in favor of the expansion, explaining that they see Coe as one of the most heavily used areas on campus.

Bill Russell Moved to approve funding for the expansion of the Coe library lab, 25 computers, to the first floor area of Coe and the required printing and networking cost until the ILLC construction is complete.

Seconded by Kate Muir

Favor – all

Opposed – none

Abstain – none

2. Maintenance Increase

Jesse explained that with the expansion of the number of computers that the CSTC supports and the increased amount of printing occurring, there is a need to increase the amount of funding the CSTC provides for printer maintenance, toner and paper. Jesse recommended increasing the maintenance fund from \$12K a year to \$14K a year.

John Nutter move to increase the maintenance funding by \$2000 a year

Klaus Hanson seconded

Favor – all

Opposed – none
Abstain – none

3. Arthur – File server replacement

Jesse explained that the file server Arthur is due for replacement in the summer of 2006. In preparation for the replacement Jesse requested feedback from the committee members and their constituents regarding the current storage allotment and what they would like to see in the future.

After discussion it was requested that a survey be developed so a standard set of questions could be addressed and committee members could use the survey as a tool to obtain information from their constituents.

Jesse stated they would work on a survey and present it to the committee. Once it was approved by the committee the Academic Support Unit would administer the survey to students on campus. The Academic Support Unit would also provide the survey to members of the committee so they can share it with their constituents for feed back as well.

4. Wireless Access Points

Maggie explained that the CSTC is always looking for areas to expand wireless technology to students. During the Fall several areas were identified that could use wireless technology to allow access to student study areas.

Mark Sunderman moved to approve \$3178 to fund the wiring and access points for Coe library 3rd 4th and 5th floors.

Michael Stephens seconded

Favor – all
Opposed – none
Abstain – none

Union - 2nd floor between the senate chambers and the ballroom.

Cheryl questioned if the Union had placed any wireless access points in the Union. The committee requested that Maggie get feedback from the Union and see if they would be willing to share the costs. Maggie stated she would contact the Union regarding such a cost sharing plan.

Air force and Army ROTC lounges

Discussion took place if it was the CSTC place to provide wireless access points for areas that are used by very specific groups of students. Jesse and Maggie

explained that the CSTC has taken the position in the past to fund such access points in an effort to provide access to the CSTC funded services (wireless gateway and VPN) and to lay the ground work for access to future technology, such as the remote desktop farm. Other areas similar to the ROTC lounges that have been funded in the past are the Honors lounge, Rochelle Athletic Center study area, Animal Science Molecular Biology, etc.

Marcus moved to approved \$3086 for the wireless access points in the air force and Army ROTC lounges

Matt Deasaro seconded

Favor – all

Opposed – none

Abstain – none

5. Antivirus renewal costs

Maggie explained that IT funded the initial purchase of Trend antivirus for all students at the cost of \$40K. Maggie asked if the committee wanted to take on the funding of the renewal cost of \$6000 a year.

Michael asked if we could possibly advertise it more effectively in the future.

Michael also asked if IT could look at developing a control panel to install not only antivirus by anti-spyware products. Maggie stated that IT is currently very limited on resources, but asked if EN COSC department might be able to assist. Cheryl said she would run it by the Engineering committee.

Paul Medina moved to approve the \$6000 as a reoccurring cost to fund the renewal cost of the Trend antivirus software.

Cheryl Hilman Seconded

Favor – all

Opposed – none

Abstain – none

6. A&S Electrical update

Maggie explained that the committee approved \$950 to upgrade the electrical in AS 228. The actual cost came back at \$2025.95. The increase in cost was due to the fact Physical Plant did not do an analysis of the project before giving the estimate. It is their policy not to do an analysis for projects less than 10K. Once the work was started more circuits needed to be pulled than originally estimated.

Because the work needed to be done to allow the lab to function correctly Maggie approved the increased cost.

Maggie adjourned the meeting at 3:30pm