

Central Student Technology Committee (CSTC)

Meeting: Friday, November 9, 2007

Location: Union 203

Attendees: Maggie Deming, Jesse Ballard, Tami Browning, Stephanie Budd, Charles Christensen, Jennifer Earls, Cheryl Hilman, Ann Jessup, Warrie Means, Graham Mitchell, John Nutter, Magnus Snyder, Diana Wilson

### **1. Classroom computer lab – East Food court area**

Jesse explained that members of the CSTC met with Facilities Planning to discuss the possible placement of a computer lab in the Classroom Building. The location proposed by Facilities was to place the lab in the east entry student lounge area – to the south of the stairs.

Discussion took place on the number of the computers to place in the labs.

Warrie Means moved to approve up to \$10,000 to purchase 7 computers for the CR lab  
Charles Christensen seconded the motion

Approved: all

Opposed: none

Abstain: none

### **2. Webcasting solution**

Maggie provided the committee with a quick update on the status of the possible webcast solution. Maggie is still gathering additional information on data to support the use of webcast and podcast technology. Maggie will be providing a draft article from Christi Boggs on the success of podcasting at UW.

Maggie asked the committee if it was still a technology they were interested in pursuing. The committee confirmed that it is something they would like to explore.

### **3. Engineering Electrical proposal**

The CSTC discussed the EN electrical proposal.

Charles Christensen moved to approve \$3000 for the placement of electrical outlets  
John Nutter seconded the motion

Approved: all

Opposed: none

Abstain: none

### **4. Engineering – BIM Software proposal**

John Nutter moved to approve \$17,025 for the purchase of the software  
Charles Christensen seconded the motion

Charles expressed concerns that it does not benefit enough students to warrant funding. Cheryl explained that Engineering is willing to grant access to the software to those not in the Engineering college – special arrangements will need to be made.

Discussion took place on if the software fit the over-all goal of the CSTC given the use will be for a specific set of students in a specific major.

Approved: all but 3  
Opposed: Graham Mitchell and Charles Christensen  
Abstain: Ann Jessup

#### **5. Library – Absorb 8 first floor computers, 7 laptops and 2 study room computers**

Charles Christensen moved to approve absorbing 8 first floor computers, 7 laptops and 2 study room computers.

Graham Mitchell seconded the motion

A question was posed on the use of the laptops in areas outside of Coe library. Jesse indicated that even though the committee would be taking on the responsibility for the laptops they are not all up for replacement until the summer of 2009. Prior to the replacement of the laptops the whole program will be reviewed to see if there is a need to continue to support all 27 laptops in the program.

Discussion took place regarding the committee being asked to absorb equipment that the library had originally purchased. The committee asked Maggie to request that the Library approach the CSTC from the start of a project vs. funding the technology and then asking the CSTC to take on future support.

Approved: all  
Opposed: none  
Abstain: none

#### **6. Library – Geology Library computer lab**

Warrie Means moved to approve the Geology library computers for discussion purposes  
John Nutter seconded the motion

The committee discussed whether 10 computers would benefit the student population if placed in the Geology Library. Jesse explained that he requested a meeting to discuss possible locations of the computers but one was never setup. The computers' location and placement is still unknown. Various committee members expressed concern in placing computers in the Geology library because of the lack of over-all use of the space.

Jesse explained an option may be to place some of the 3 year old computers coming out of CSTC labs in the summer of 2008 into the Geology library for a year to see if there is enough of a demand to place new computers in the area.

Approved: none  
Opposed: all  
Abstain: none

## **7. AS – Math Server proposal**

Warrie Means moved to approve the refunding of Math's cost of the homework server \$3898  
Graham Mitchell seconded the motion

Discussion took place on the current usage. Questions posed on the proposal at the last meeting were not answered.

John moved to table the discussion because of a lack of answers  
Graham Mitchell seconded

Approved: all  
Opposed: none  
Abstain: none

Maggie indicated she will talk with Greg Brown and obtain answers to the question previously posed.

## **8. AS – Hoyt 207 data move**

Cheryl Hilman moved to approve the data move in HO 207 for \$1885  
Magnus Snyder seconded the motion

Clarification was given on the position of the data service along the walls and the reconfiguration of the room.

Approved: all  
Opposed: none  
Abstain: none

## **9. AS – Anthropology Lab**

John Nutter moved to approve the funding of the Anthropology lab for discussion purposes  
Warrie Means seconded the motion

Discussion took place regarding the use being discipline specific vs. college or campus wide. Warrie expressed concerns with the on-going and recurring nature of the funding request. Discussion took place on who was responsible for funding a lab of this nature. Jesse explained that the college committees were formed to assist in the funding of discipline specific labs such as the Anthropology proposal.

Approved: none  
Opposed: all

Abstain: none

10. Additional items to consider for funding - Jesse identified the below items and possible technologies and equipment the CSTC should consider for the labs.

- a. Dual Monitor support on some nodes
- b. Large Screen monitors
- c. New flat-bed scanners
- d. New chairs for BS 37
- e. High-speed document scanner
- f. New Laser Printer for AS 228
- g. New Laser Printer for AG 229
- h. New Laser Printer for CR 225
- i. Color printer for Willett Lab

Jesse explained where the requests came from and the committee recommended obtaining pricing and numbers for the all the items.

Maggie adjourned the meeting at 3:40 pm