

Central Student Technology Committee (CSTC)

Meeting: Thursday - October 29, 2009

Location: ITC 106

Attendees: Maggie Deming, Jesse Ballard, Steve Boss, Tami Browning, Ken Driese, Kyle Ferris, Matt Fournier, Cheryl Hilman, Patrick McDowell, Warrie Means, John Nunley, John Nutter, Reid Olson, Dee Pridgen, Magnus Snyder, Bret Sorensen

1. Introductions

Maggie explained that the first grouping of documents in the packet was the CSTC Operating Guidelines and a list of labs that the various committees are responsible for.

2. Current Budget and Budget forecast

Maggie explained the current budget and the various accounts that are available to the CSTC. The CSTC starts off with a base amount of \$433,718. This year the committee also has \$160,000 in a roll-over account and a \$180,000 in an equipment resale account.

3. Computer replacements for Summer 2010 – 3 yr rotation cycle

Maggie explained that the CSTC currently has 136 computers designated for replacement in the summer of 2010. The computers would go into AG 328 (26), AG 229 (31), AS 228 (26), Coe Set A (22), EN 4054 (31).

Cheryl Hilman - moved to approve \$176,800 for 136 new computers
Bret Sorensen- seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

4. Arthur File Server replacement - \$15,000

Jesse explained that the PC Team is recommending a restructuring of how the file server Arthur is configured. Instead of one large server they recommend splitting it into two virtual servers that use a technology called Distributed File Services (DFS). This would increase the reliability of the file server.

Jesse explained that if the committee approved the funding the first half would be purchased this year and paired with the existing Arthur server. Then next year an additional \$20,000 would be needed to purchase the second virtual server and needed disk space. Jesse also explained that the new Arthur servers would run on a virtual platform and the committee would be renting the server resources and disk space for 5 years.

Matt Fournier moved to fund \$15,000 for the Arthur replacement

Magnus Snyder seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

5. TSS $\frac{3}{4}$ position funding for the biennium of FY2011 and 2012

Maggie explained that the CSTC has been funding $\frac{3}{4}$ of a position in the IT TSS unit for direct support of the UWStudent lab system. Requesting approval now for funding for the next biennium (FY2011 and 2012).

John Nutter moved to approve \$86,000 to support the TSS position for FY2011 and 2012
Warrie Means seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

6. ASU $\frac{1}{2}$ position funding for biennium of FY2011 and 2012

Maggie explained that the CSTC has been funding $\frac{1}{2}$ of a position in the IT ASU unit for direct support of students. Requesting approval now for funding for the next biennium (FY2011 and 2012).

Discussion took place on the role of the position.

Bret Sorensen moved to approve \$50,000 to support the ASU position for FY2011 and 2012
John Nutter seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: Mike Doherty

7. Expand the number of computers in Coe by 12

Maggie explained that with the Coe addition the furniture and infrastructure is in place to support an additional 12 computers in the basement area.

Jesse explained that once the new addition was opened they have been getting an increasing number of comments about adding more computers.

The question was raised if this was a request coming from the libraries. Jesse answered that it was not from the libraries, but rather based on current usage on the rest of the computers. When Jesse was working with the library on the new lab design they had always planned room for future expansion.

Matt Haigler moved to approve \$15,600 to add 12 additional computers to Coe Library
Ken Driese seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

8. Windows 7 upgrade plans

Jesse explained that TSS and ASU are in the planning stages of the Windows 7 deployment. If no problems are found the lab system will be updated to Windows 7 for the start of the Fall 2010 semester.

In addition to upgrading to windows 7, Info Tech is also looking at upgrading to a 64 bit platform. The computer hardware in labs all support 64bit, but the peripheral equipment is still being tested.

9. LabStats maintenance contract - \$3000

Maggie explained that several years ago the CSTC funded a product called LabStats that allows the usage of both the computers and specific software to be recorded.

John Nutter moved to approve \$3000 for LabStats maintenance
Magnus Snyder seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

10. Mediasite maintenance - \$8,111

Maggie explained that the Mediasite product has now been up and running for two and a half semesters. 10 or 11 classes are currently using the equipment in the Fall 2009 semester.

Cheryl Hilman commented that Engineering has 4 classes currently using their units.

Discussion took place on the use of the product and how it impacts class attendance.

Magnus Snyder moved to approve \$8,111 for the Mediasite maintenance
Bret Sorensen seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

11. Antivirus Renewal - \$17,000

Maggie explained that this committee has traditionally funded student antivirus.

Discussion took place about the product currently being used – Trend Micro Internet Security.

Magnus commented that it is easy to use, which is the best feature for students.

Cheryl Hilman moved to approve \$17,000 to fund the student antivirus
Bret Sorensen seconded the motion

Approved: all

Opposed: none

Abstain: none

Maggie questioned the committee on the future meeting locations. Consensus was to keep meeting in the conference room in the ITC.

Maggie adjourned the meeting at 12:05pm