Central Student Technology Committee (CSTC)
Meeting: Monday, November 10, 2008
Location: Union 002


1. Introductions

2. Call for Proposals

Maggie reported that all Call for Proposal award recipients submitted project status reports. All projects’ goals were successfully met. Committee members were encouraged to read the reports at a later time.

3. Coe Laptop checkout

Maggie explained that at the last meeting the CSTC began discussion on the replacement of the existing 25 laptops that are available for checkout through the libraries. Twenty of the laptops will be PCs and 5 of the laptops will be Mac based. The Macs will be configured to allow a user either to boot into Vista or the Mac OS.

Jesse informed the committee that of the 25 computers, 23 will be housed in Coe library and 2 will be placed over at the Library annex.

John Nunley moved to approve the purchase of 25 laptops - 5 being Macs - for $50,000 Warrie Mean’s seconded the motion

Approved: all but one
Opposed: Michael Doherty
Abstain: none

4. Duplex Printing by default

The CSTC was asked to explore the possibility and impact of setting CSTC printers to duplex printing as the default. Jesse explained that both IT and Students for a Sustainable Environment conducted surveys of the students and faculty to get feedback on the possible change. All survey results indicated 60% to 70% in favor of changing to duplex as the default.

Jesse indicated that the decision of the CSTC would only affect the printers the CSTC controls. Individual colleges and departments would still have the option of leaving
single sided printing as the default. He also indicated the change would occur over winter break.

Ann Jessup moved to approve making duplex printing default on CSTC controlled printers
Nick Anderson seconded

IT will advertise the change on all lab computers and on the printers themselves.

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

5. Microsoft Expressions Web Software Assurance for CSTC controlled labs

Software Assurance allows the upgrade of software at no additional charge during the duration of the term. By purchasing Software Assurance for Microsoft Expressions Web software, the CSTC would be able to keep the latest updates in place. The final cost has not been provided but would be approximately $12,000 for the 405 CSTC controlled computers. This would cover a 3 year period until July 2012.

John Nutter moved to approve $12,000 for Microsoft Web Expressions Software Assurance
John Nunley seconded the motion

Approved: all but one
Opposed: none
Abstain: Jonathan Zumwalt

6. Maple Renewal

Maggie explained that in 2006 the CSTC funded the mathematical software package, Maple. In their funding it provided 3 years of maintenance. To continue the maintenance for an additional 3 years the CSTC must fund a maintenance extension at a cost of $17,100. This would provide maintenance through until June 2012.

Jesse explained that the maintenance is needed to allow IT to updated the program when new versions are released – which usually occurs once a year. He also explained that the product is used in all Calculus classes and a large number of upper division math classes. In looking at the utilization there have been over 1300 launches of the program so far in the Fall 2008 semester with an average use time of 43 minutes.

Nick Anderson explained that the use of Maple goes outside the formal classes and is a vital tool for doing math related work.
Ann Jessup moved to approve $17,100 for the Maple maintenance for 3 years
Cheryl Hilman seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

7. **Antivirus software for Student**

For the past 4 years the CSTC has funded antivirus software for use on students’ personally owned computers.

The committee currently funds 13,500 Trend Internet Security licenses to allow all enrolled students to obtain the software for free.

Nick Anderson asked if there were plans to change antivirus vendors. Maggie explained that IT would be evaluating new antivirus software options in the future, but it may not occur until next year.

Warrie Means moved to approve $22,000 for antivirus software
Ann Jessup seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

8. **Adobe Product Maintenance renewal**

The CSTC currently funds 14 licensed copies of Adobe Creative Suite Design Premium that is installed on 14 computers across campus. The software is not installed on the remote lab system. To allow the software to be updated when new versions are released an Upgrade Plan must be purchased. Adobe offers maintenance for two year cycles. The new maintenance is due in January 2009.

Nick Anderson moved to approve $1,820 for 14 Upgrade Plans for Adobe Creative Suite Design Premium
Ann Jessup seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none
9. **Multimedia production station**

Jesse provided an explanation of the system. The system would be Mac based and would include equipment to capture video and audio. It would utilize the Final Cut Studio package for advance audio and video editing. It would be housed in the new ITC facility.

Discussion took place on the use of the system and how it would fit into the academic pursuits of the University. Members expressed their support of the system but questioned if one was enough. Michael Doherty brought up the idea of not only providing the production equipment but also cameras and audio equipment to capture the recordings.

Additional discussion took place on the use of the system and how providing cameras and audio equipment would be useful. The student representatives on the committee were very supportive of the proposal and how it would be a great idea to get this type of technology into the hands of the students.

Ann Jessup moved to approve up to $40,000 to purchase two production stations, HD cameras and needed audio equipment

John Zumwalt seconded the motion

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

It was decided that the committee did not need to meet again during the fall ’08 semester. It has completed the majority of business for the academic year. The impact of the ILLC computer labs and study rooms will be addressed during a spring meeting. The committee will convene in the spring ’09 semester to review college and department expenditure reports, and again to review and approve college and department FY10 budget forecasts.

Maggie adjourned the meeting at 2:05pm