

Central Student Technology Committee (CSTC)

Meeting: Monday, January 31, 2022

Location: Zoom

Attendees: Jesse Ballard, Stephen Boss, Lori Dockter, Tom Foulke, Brandon Gellis, Gisele Girones, Edward Havugimana, Melissa Hunter, Jenn Koza, Maria Kuznetsova, Jeff Miller, Pat Moran, Sally Quade, Bret Sorensen

A request was brought to the committee to ask if a proposal could still be considered even though not submitted by the deadline due to recent COVID related illness. The late proposal will not be considered since there has been ample time to submit a proposal, and it was clear that late proposals would not be considered.

Proposal Review

Psychology – Vive

This proposal offers a unique approach to the technology that can easily be expanded after our initial funding. The faculty member is very well versed with the technology and will be able to really immerse the students.

Tom Foulke moved to fund the proposal
Jeff Miller seconded the motion.

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

School of Nursing - Exam Rooms

The College of Education uses similar layouts for classes and they are very beneficial to the students. This tech should have been funded much earlier and it's be good that this committee can fill that gap.

Bret Sorensen moved to fund the proposal
Jeff Miller seconded the motion.

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

UW Casper - Gaming lab

The proposal states it would be a dual use between UW Casper and Casper students but doesn't demonstrate how the space would be used to engage the students in research. The committee can't see students staying on campus to play games.

Lori Dockter moved to not fund the proposal
Melissa Hunter seconded the motion.

Approved: Lori Dockter, Tom Foulke, Brandon Gellis, Gisele Girones, Edward Havugimana, Melissa Hunter, Jenn Koza, Jeff Miller, Pat Moran, Sally Quade, Bret Sorensen

Opposed: none
Abstain: Maria Kuznetsova

Zoology - Advanced Tech Literacy

The proposal didn't seem to reach a wide population of students.

Melissa Hunter moved to deny funding for this proposal
Edward Havugimana seconded the motion.

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

Studio Coe - projection mapping

This proposal has the full support of several committee members as Studio Coe is located in a central location, has great available hours and is open to all students. This proposal will create more opportunities to develop immersive artistic experiences. While this proposal has some similarities with the Performing Arts proposal their main objectives are different. Studio Coe will be expanding their space's ability to work with audio but will also be offering the technology to pair it with visuals and then present their work on a larger scale.

Brandon Gellis moved to fund the proposal
Jeff Miller seconded the motion.

Approved: all
Opposed: none
Abstain: none

Coe SIC Proposal

The Coe Student Innovation Center is very similar to Studio Coe when it comes to offerings and availability and has the same support from committee members. Whenever looking at laser engravers safety should be at the forefront. The CoeSIC does have air filtration in place with a smaller laser engraver and this proposal also includes filtration for the proposed engraver. This engraver will create some redundancy in equipment across campus but the popularity of such machines makes the request warranted. The UV printer would be something very unique to campus allowing students to print logos on several different items. It would especially be used for student entrepreneurial efforts when needing to pitch an idea and demonstrate marketing items. This can of course also be achieved with the Versa sticker printer.

Edward Havugimana moved to fund the full proposal
No second – motion fails

Brandon Gellis moved to fund the laser engraver and sticker printer and then wait to see if there are remaining fees to cover the UV printer.
Melissa Hunter seconded the motion.

Approved: Lori Dockter, Brandon Gellis, Gisele Girones, Edward Havugimana, Melissa Hunter, Jenn Koza, Maria Kuznetsova, Jeff Miller, Pat Moran, Sally Quade, Bret Sorensen

Opposed: Tom Foulke

Abstain: none

Air Force ROTC - Flight Sim

These programs are seeing less funding at a national level and so it is important to support them on campus. This equipment will have the ability to be shared with the ARMY ROTC group, and it was discussed that there may be some unused equipment on campus that could also be repurposed for ARMY's use.

Melissa Hunter moved to fund the proposal

Tom Foulke seconded the motion.

Approved: all

Opposed: none

Abstain: none

Visual Arts - Digital Drawing & Visual Arts - iPads for Art

These two proposals are identical and from the same department. When asked about the duplication it was confirmed that the department is only requesting one set of iPads for drawing classes. The intended use for the iPads is twofold. They will be used in the classroom but also possibly available for check out when there is no planned class use. Since there will be the need to use an Apple Pencil, the proposed funding does not take into account educational pricing and there will be a need for a cart the proposal will have to be revisited before there can be a vote.

Performing Arts - Digital Music

This proposal contains a request for faculty software which this committee will not fund. It is unclear how all elements in this proposal will be used. We would like to revisit the proposal to see if the scope could be narrowed down to what they would like to place in the PA 1019 lab.

LEARN - Coe 121

Upgrading Coe 121 for LEARN would benefit all students across campus. The proposal contains an instructional upgrade, as well as a collaborative piece. The committee would like to have the proposal revisited to see the cost of the collaborative piece broken out as it better aligns with the committee's guidelines. Once broken out we can see if there needs to be any instructional equipment funding that supports the collaborative use in the space.