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ITCC MEETING AGENDA November 12, 2008

Call to order at 4 PM, room 236 EECH:

By Dr Wunsch

Approval of October 08 meeting minutes:

Motion made and passed to approve the minutes, 1st by Frank Liu and 2nd by Thomas Vojta.

Agenda

1. Creation of a Research Computing Task Force:

Creation of Research Support Task Force (Margaret)

I am currently conducting a literature search to inform a project to create a group in IT specifically charged with the support of research at Missouri S&T. I list a couple of references here, but really need a group of interested faculty to help in developing the actual plan.

A recent ECAR report includes the following:

“Not surprisingly, institutions that characterized their missions as research-focused were more likely than teaching-focused institutions...to report having a governance/advisory body that deals primarily with IT issues related to research and a distinct unit within the central IT organization whose explicit mission is to support faculty, clinicians, or other researchers with their research needs.”

Sheehan, M.C. *Higher Education IT and Cyberinfrastructure: Integrating Technologies for Scholarship*. EDUCAUSE Center for Applied Research, Vol 3, 2008. p. 23.

<http://connect.educause.edu/Library/ECAR/HigherEducationITandCyber/46577>

Other baseline references:

Blustain, H. *IT Engagement in Research: A Baseline Study*. EDUCAUSE Center for Applied Research, Vol 5, 2006.

<http://connect.educause.edu/Library/ECAR/ITEngagementinResearchABa/41168>

NOTE: Older ECAR publications are available to the public. Newer ones require that you create a (free) EDUCAUSE account and that your institution be a paid subscriber to ECAR (we are).

The Future of Scholarly Communication: Building the Infrastructure for Cyberscholarship. NSF Award #IIS-0645988, Report of a workshop held in Phoenix, AZ April 17-19, 2007.

An example at a peer institution:

Rochester Institute of Technology, Research Computing: <http://www.rc.rit.edu/index.html>

(1) Dr Wunsch made a motion that a task force be formed for Computer Security. Mat Insall 1st and Thomas Vojta 2nd and the motion passed unanimously. Dr. Wunsch ask Thomas Vojta to Chair the committee for the Computer Security Task Force until January 1, 2009. Motion made and Matt Insall 1st and Klaus Woelk 2nd.

2. Item referred to CLC Task Force:

IT request for assistance from the CLC Task Force: From Margaret Cline

1. Expand the definitions developed last spring
2. Recommend policy to implement lifecycle management including:
 - a. Creation of new technology learning spaces
 - b. Review of existing spaces
 - c. Process for decommissioning
3. Recommend a funding model.

Recommended move forward at the retreat and need more people on task force. Is central scheduling classrooms the right way to go? Depending on committee recommendations to change or not.

Discussed new Telepresence Video Conferencing. This is a Cisco Product-High Definition Plasma TV.

President Gary Forsee and his wife donated 1 Telepresence Video Conferencing unit to each campus and AT&T has donated implementation time. It is like having the people right in the room with you. This would save time as you could video conference meetings instead of driving to meetings.

3. EDUCAUSE Report:

EDUCAUSE Report (<http://www.educause.edu/>) from Margaret

NOTE: EDUCAUSE is a professional organization for IT practitioners, faculty and librarians at institutions of higher education. Everything at the web site is free. You might want to explore!

Conference Web site: <http://net.educause.edu/conference/annual/2008> (Most presentation descriptions have a "resources" link that reveals the PowerPoint slides from the presentation.)

- Angie Hammons, wrote about her experience in the MS&T EdTech Connect <http://edtechconnect.mst.edu/> See her article, "*EdTech goes to Educause 2008 in Orlando, Florida*"

Margaret Cline's favorites:

- *Glimpses of Our IT Future: What's Green, Mobile, and Regulated All Over?* Report of the EDUCAUSE Emerging Technologies Committee
<http://connect.educause.edu/Library/Abstract/GlimpsesofOurITFutureWhat/47670>
- Kenneth Green presented the latest results from Campus Computing Project. Begun in 1990, this is the largest continuing study of the role of computing, e-learning, and information technology in U.S. higher education. *The 2008 National Survey of Information Technology in U.S. Higher Education*. Executive Summary available at: <http://www.campuscomputing.net/content-item/new-2008-campus-computing-survey-executive-summary-29-oct-2008>
- *Integrating Cyberinfrastructure Technologies*. Discussion of findings from the 2008 ECAR research study about cyberinfrastructure that explored higher education's involvement in five research-related technologies. Roadmap publicly available:
<http://net.educause.edu/ir/library/pdf/ecm/ecm0803.pdf>
NOTE: Our membership in ECAR allows faculty and staff to access the actual reports.
- A report on the findings of the *2007 Core Data Service*
<http://net.educause.edu/ir/library/pdf/PUB8005.pdf>
- *P2P War Stories: Tales from the Trenches*,
<http://hosted.mediasite.com/hosted5/Viewer/?peid=51339d7cf2ac42b497455ea53fbb92cb>

A new book was announced: *The Tower and the Cloud* by ECAR president Richard Katz (<http://www.educause.edu/thetowerandthecloud/133998>) It is an examination of the impact of IT on higher education and on the IT organization in higher education. (Available as a free eBook or printed version for purchase)

Vicki Callaway recommends:

- *Project Management discussion session* – Roundtable discussions of project management practices and tools.
http://net.educause.edu/E08/Program/14627?PRODUCT_CODE=E08/DS48&ITIN=False
- *Professional and Organizational Development: Making IT Organizations More Effective* - Discussion of ways to encourage professional development when resources for formal training are limited
http://net.educause.edu/E08/Program/14627?PRODUCT_CODE=E08/SEM09A
- *The Real World of IT Governance: Culture, Politics, People, and Transformation* – I was especially interested in the role of the portfolio/project management office as the facilitators of decision making.
http://net.educause.edu/E08/Program/14627?PRODUCT_CODE=E08/SESS021&ITIN=False
- *Facilitating IT projects in Higher Education*
http://net.educause.edu/E08/Program/14627?PRODUCT_CODE=E08/SESS058&ITIN=False

Had a conference in Orlando, FL the last week of October and was very well supported with 8 to 9 thousand people attending.

Angie Hammons and Laura Oswald article will be featured in next Educause in January.

Brook Durban had a poster session and was very well received.

Update on Retreats:

ITCC Winter Retreat:

2008 ITCC Winter Retreat

Date: Wednesday, December 10, 2008, 8:00AM to 5:00PM

Location: Southwestern Bell Cultural Center, 1207 N. Elm

Eric Sigler announced that there is wireless internet in the Center.

Please send an RSVP for the Retreat so that food accommodations can be met.

Margaret Cline will find out what the policy is for sure concerning Computer Replacement Policy to include printers. Klaus Woelk stated that he could not print to the CLC printers and that made a security issue as for as printing tests and delicate information that you don't want anyone else to see. Ken Ragsdell stated that the previous policy did provide for new printers and he stated that each faculty needed their own printer in their office. This will be discussed at the Retreat.

ITCC Spring OpenForm:

2009 ITCC Spring Open Forum (In conjunction with the Teaching and Learning Technology Conference)

Date: Friday, April 10, 2009, 3:00PM till ?

Location: Havener Center

Will revisit this topic at December Retreat.

Moved to adjourn at 5:00 PM