FSCOT Minutes

The meeting came to order at 3:30 p.m., November 17, 2009 in Bluemont 16e

Attendance

Guests:

Rebecca Gould, Director, Information Technology Assistance Center

Eric Dover, Manager, iTAC Client Services

Membership:
Don Crawford, Architecture
Michael Raine, Business Administration
Tweed Ross, Education (Chair)
Mark Stadtlander, Extension
Andrea Blair, General University
E. Jamene Brooks-Kieffer, Library
Alysia Starkey, Technology & Aviation
Tom Schermerhorn, Veterinary Medicine
Matt Ebert, Student Representative

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the October 6, 2009 meeting were approved as amended. (See attached) (Note FSCOT did not meet October 20th as Tweed was out of town or November 3rd because of Provost candidate open forum.)

Rebecca Gould & Eric Dover visited with the committee outlining the reorganization of the Instructional Client Services unit of iTAC. The process started in the summer, 2009 and will be continuing through the winter break. The reorganization will see client services brought together into one location in Hale library. This will allow for Client Services to be open more hours and provide better service and availability to Kansas State University students and faculty. Considerable discussion followed with many positive recommendations and ideas for expanding services for both the main and Salina campus. The reorganization was endorsed by FSCOT with further updates from Eric Dover as time moves on.

In a related discussion with Director Gould and Manager Dover, FSCOT supported the development of a university-wide system administrators group of the various campus IT support units and central IT support services to foster greater collaboration, cooperation, and communication between the college-based units and central IT support. FSCOT believes economies of effort and efficiencies in developing IT support practices could be achieved by regular, frequent meetings of such a university system administrator collaboration. However prior to the appointment of a CIO/Vice Provost

for Information Technology Services and the appointment of this committee, FSCOT supports meetings with KAWNUG (K-State System Administrators) and FSCOT to discuss issues such as the following (and more): mobile device support, developing computer specifications in lieu of a separate committee for computer specifications for incoming and transferring students, negotiating university-wide computer purchases, researching innovations and the future of alternatives to computer labs, coordinating vendor demonstrations on campus, etc.

Old Business

Andrea Blair moved and Don Crawford seconded the resolution concerning Kansas State University be forwarded to the Faculty Senate with a positive endorsement from FSCOT. Unanimously approved (Members who had notified the chair they would be absent were polled via email prior to the meeting.) See attached.

New Business

FSCOT reviewed a draft policy from the University of Kansas, "An Open Access Policy for University of Kansas Scholarship." After this review FSCOT generally believed this was in the general direction of other recommendations FSCOT has previously supported (iTunes U and K-Rex) and would likely endorse a recommendation to the floor of Faculty Senate. However, such an effort might best come from Faculty Affairs with a second endorsement from FSCOT.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Next Meeting – December 1, 2009