

Minutes of FSCOT meeting 2/7/2012 (3:30 PM in Union 213)

Attendees: Bormann, Brooks-Kiefer, Crawford, Grinter, Lindshield, Pahwa, Raine, Rintoul, Stafford, Stadtlander, Rogers, Stavropoulos

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting - approved
2. Welcome our new student representative (Stavropoulos) and College of Human Ecology representative (Lindshield).
3. Updates
 - a. e-portfolios: Provost approval of June task force report. Need to get started on a pilot project involving several departments on campus. Stafford will meet with provost and Rob Caffey and other parties who need to be involved in initiation of this project. Involvement of CMS system may also be part of this; need to ensure that linkage between Digital Measures and CMS folks will be operational.
 - b. Password change questions – Now necessary to update passwords on wireless network as well as email clients on multiple devices. If the device is not updated it will send multiple bad requests to the system, and eventually the user will be locked out. Web pages with useful information may be available, but don't seem to be in obvious places. Next password change will have a system that directs you to a page where you can change the password, rather than lock you out. Problem for IT folks since devices continue to proliferate, and different versions of the OS (particularly for Android devices) also continue to proliferate..
 - c. Problems with KSU mail bouncing from various systems (esp hotmail) in recent months due to mail forwarding. These ISPs detect spam that comes from KSU user accounts, assume that it is coming from KSU rather than being forwarded, and shuts off the KSU.EDU domain.
 - d. Email taskforce will be meeting soon. Multiple solutions are possible; calendaring system will be a particular bugaboo if gmail is chosen, since the calendar in google apps is quite feeble relative to the Zimbra calendar.
4. Old Business: Discussion and wrap-up of the Varney's/iSIS/textbook reporting situation. History recounted for the benefit of the new members. The iSIS database can accommodate the textbook information data needed; issue seems to be whether or not the university wants to allocate resources to gather and organize information from faculty members. Proposed modifications to the Varney's website, discussed at our last meeting, seem to be minimal at present. Other Faculty Senate committees also need to be involved, as this may have some impact on Academic Affairs issues. It was concluded that a resolution would be drafted to be considered by the committee, and perhaps the full Senate, requesting that the administration look at the situation and make changes if needed.
5. New Business
 - a. Textbooks (e-books) written by KSU faculty members are becoming more common, and are provided for free to students. It may be prudent to look at this emerging trend and perhaps provide resources and assistance for development of these textbooks.
 - b. Diana Blake will present a demo about the designated access (parental access, in most cases) to the committee at the next meeting.
 - c. Task force has been formed (but has not yet met) for determining a policy/strategy to deal with the new federal interest in determining if students with federal financial aid perform some academic work in courses where they get an "F".