Attending: Bormann, Brooks-Kiefer, Fees, Grinter, Knackendoffel, Molidor (via polycom), Pahwa, Raine, Rauth, Rogers, Rintoul, Stafford, Stadtlander. Guests – Rebecca Gould and Elizabeth Shannon

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting (9/6/2011)

2. Old business
    a. Book reporting issues with iSIS & Varney's

        i. In iSIS, the links for a required or recommended book go to the Varney's website, giving some (particularly freshman students) the impression that this is the preferred or only place to purchase books. Varney's is a private business, and they did help us out when we had to rapidly implement a system to comply with the federal law about textbook reporting, but is this proper, when there are other businesses who sell books?
        ii. There have been some cases where faculty members logged onto the reporting website (also hosted at Varney's) and failed to complete the reporting process, even though they thought they had done it correctly. Responsiveness of Varney's to complaints about that website has not been obvious.
        iii. Solutions to these two problems sought, may involve bringing reporting website into iSIS, and construction of links from class sites on iSIS that go to other entities that sell books, a google search for the ISBN, or ???
        iv. Will try to get Varney's representative to meet with us in a future meeting
        v. Will investigate further the amount of work that would be required to being the reporting website into iSIS, a topic for the iSIS task force meeting in the near future.
    b. VPN – most concerns raised so far seem to be baseless, moving a very large file might be slowed by the VPN, but there are solutions (RDP server and effective firewall) for those few problems. Physics is investigating one of these solutions.

    c. Website management and upgrades – no news at this time

3. Policies that will be coming from IRMC in the near future – please read and comment, send comments to Elizabeth, Harv Townsend, Ken Stafford or Dave Rintoul

    a. Credit card policy (new)

    b. Wireless access policy revision

4. Information about wireless security upgrade (Elizabeth Shannon & Rebecca Gould)

    a.   increased security (bringing us up to industry standards three years late) and faster speeds should be selling points

    b. On Oct 25 the K-State.net SSID (WEP security) will be decommissioned and all secured wireless traffic will go through KSU Wireless SSID (WPA2 security).

    c. Join KSU Wireless SSID will be available soon, some issues with some mobile devices (e.g. Android phones) yet to be resolved. This will take you directly to a connection point for the new network, and should only have to be accessed once (until you change your password).

    d. Communication of this change – soon there will be an email to whole campus (4 notices in K-State Today have been mostly ignored). Perhaps there will be a help desk set up to help faculty senators at the next FacSen meeting in October. IT folks wold appreciate our help in communicating this change to the campus community.

5. E-books (at the suggestion of Jennifer Molidor) – How can a professor give an open book test/quiz if the book is an e-book and the students thus need access to a computer and the internet? Committee members discussed this, but no obvious solution appeared. Perhaps the increasing spread of e-books will mean the end of open-book exams…

6. K-State 2025 – how can we help set priorities and strategies. – Committee members were asked to read the 2025 plan (http://www.ksu.edu/2025/) and themes (http://www.ksu.edu/2025/resources/phase3/final-themes/) to aid in discussion, at a future meeting, of an overview of technology initiatives that will be helpful in moving us toward the goals of this strategic plans. A "rubric" being prepared by the IT staff will be forwarded to the committee as soon as it is finalized.

7. Other - Oct 18 = Shred Day on both the Manhattan and Salina campuses. There will be communication about this event from appropriate entities, but there is none yet. Here is a link to the announcement for LAST YEAR'S event - http://www.ksu.edu/media/k-statement/vol33/101310obtw.html#shred .