

Minutes
FSCOT meeting
November 6, 2012, Union room 226, 3:30 pm

Attending: Featherstone, Raine, Knackendoffel, Pahwa, Stadlander, Willbrant, Lindshield, Brooks-Kieffer, Stafford, and Rintoul (chair)

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting (10/16/2012)
2. Update on email provider options – Stafford and others reported that the committee was looking at requirements and vetting the options. Both Google and Microsoft have solutions, including apps, which will probably work for most of the requirements identified to date. Some are already being used at KSU (e.g., the Veterinary College uses Microsoft Office 365). Recommendations to go to Stafford soon. One of these, or perhaps a mixture of these, will probably be chosen.
3. Discussion of password change proposal (PDF sent earlier) – This will be phased in, and will include improvements to password self-service options; and a system where password changes would be every 6 months, rather than at the start of semesters. The rationale for the latter change would be to spread out the issues over the year (eventually), rather than have a glut of problems at two busy times of the year. This should be in place by Feb 2013.
4. Discussion of e-portfolio initiative and how to proceed: Stafford reported on a meeting with Jana Fallin, whose office seems like the best candidate to oversee this initiative. Plans made to make the license(s) for the software available to units who want to try this out.
5. Update on e-textbook/flexbook initiative – Lindshield reported that he, Andy Bennett (Mathematics), and Beth Turtle (Library), submitted a Student Centered Tuition Enhancement Grant that if funded, it would provide grants to faculty to replace their textbooks with alternative/open textbook/resources.
6. Connect (portal) initiative- demo of progress-to-date will be sought at an upcoming FSCOT meeting.
7. Adjourned 4:50 PM

- *Minutes prepared by D.A. Rintoul*