

**Kansas State University Faculty Senate
Faculty Senate Committee on Technology
Minutes
September 4, 2018
3:30 p.m. – Room 4061 of the Business Building**

Attended: Jared Durtschi, Bob Larson, Brian McCornack, Behrooz Mirafzal, Ryan Otto (Charlene as proxy), Michael Raine, Lisa Shappee, Mark Stadlander, Be Stoney, Victor Valdez, and Gary Pratt

- Approval of minutes from May 1, 2018 meeting
- Constitution discussion, led by Michael and Gary
 - General discussion about ways to improve language within the current charge to the FSCOT within the FS constitution. There was a major emphasis placed on including committee members with diverse experience and/or expertise within IT and that the committee is strongly when not solely comprised of content experts. Gary Pratt discussed his vision for FSCOT within the K-State IT strategic plan, which would include a shared IT governance structure. This led to discussing how this new role could be formalized within the constitution to provide governance to the IT strategic plan. Future conversations are needed to address such changes and depend on when the strategic plan is finalized and released. It was also mentioned that unclassified staff need to be included in the process and there is a need to appoint a member from the student body as well.
- Reviewed committee calendar—Brian
 - A potential new role in IT governance may require more frequent meetings of this committee, but will be determined as needed. Committee was in agreement with current meeting schedule, but there is a general understanding that frequency and length of future meetings will depend on topics being discussed.
- Update on Hale Library fire—Gary
 - Gary provided a thorough update on the fire how it disrupted services and the heroic efforts the IT community took to get everything back online. His group started with getting the payroll system up and running. Although key production systems are operational, there are general concerns about maintaining the temporary fixes or solutions until more permanent and resilient infrastructures can be implemented. Gary expressed gratitude for the efforts made by the IT community to address this catastrophe. The interim plan is to have a replacement system within 6-12 months and current ERPs fully functional. Gary talked about the next generation data center (i.e., Data center 2.0), which could include cloud-based solutions along with local server environments. General discussion focused on continued financial support to fix current issues and building a system that is more resilient to these types of situations.
- ITS Update—Gary

- Gary discussed how the new budget model could potentially impact IT services and the IT community more broadly. He explained that immediate effect on ITS budget does not change but the formula used to determine the amount is different. Under the new model funds for IT would flow from the colleges. Total doesn't change. In general, colleges will want more transparency on how money is spent and a framework for how ITS can provide existing and/or new services. Gary expressed that such changes illustrates a critical need for shared IT governance, which can help identify inefficiencies and build a more service-oriented IT community.
- Topics for future FSCOT meetings—Michael.
 - Topics included:
 - Student response systems (Top Hat, etc.)
 - Joint meeting with student technology
 - Hardhat tour of data center at Hale Library (separate meeting/event)
 - Capabilities for future data management (storage, compliance, etc.)
 - Joint meeting with data management committee
 - Academic incubation and innovation, topics and resource needs
 - Software to support research, teaching, and extension; managed approach, establish standards
 - Rethinking/refining the charge of FSCOT
 - IT strategic plan feedback
 - HCS – Reclassification of IT positions across campus
 - Phones and cellular access for emergency use
 - Duo Pilot Authentication update
- Introduce the FSCOT Microsoft Office Group address for future correspondence and information sharing (i.e., a professional development opportunity) – Brian
 - New address to be used: fscot@KSUemailProd.onmicrosoft.com. Email address used to date: tech-comm@listserv.ksu.edu. Brian demonstrated the other Microsoft Office 365 tools/apps available to FSCOT members, including Notebook, which provides an easy way to track meeting minutes, agendas, and associated documents.
- Adjournment – *All*