Charges for Technology Fee Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 12:06 by Annie Heiliger.

In attendance: Annie Heiliger, Nancy Irlbeck, Brad Goetz, Tamla Blunt, Ed Peyronnin, Larry Karbowski, Jessica Igo, Megan Semlar and Natalie Shaka.

Review and approval of minutes: minutes were not available at meeting, but were posted online later in the week – will be approved in today’s meeting.

Introduction of the Dean of Academic Affairs for the College of Agriculture, Nancy Irlbeck. Reviewed last meetings’s outcomes. Ed and Larry gave LA graduates temporary access to undergraduate lab and terminal services. Ed inquired into the cost of getting additional AUTOCAD licenses. Brad discussed the issue of whether to have both LA undergraduates and graduates sharing software. A temporary fix could be allowing graduates to access undergraduate labs. Larry mentioned visiting students should be able to use a lab too, if they are declared in the College of Agriculture.

Nancy discussed the use of studio NESB B112 by new LA students, and there will be approximately 16 new students in Fall 2011. She suggested setting up computer stations. Brad explained that there is a need for a new room to become available, where graduate students can have their own computers, and will not need to share. Larry also commented on the need for a class where both undergraduates and graduates can have their sections in. A scheduling calendar needs to be created for Fall and Spring, for the NESB lab sections, so there is no confusion on who is using it and when. We also need to consider non-LA students who have access to the lab. So it was decided to continue using the LA lab as it is currently used, but make sure to document usage. It will only be used as a classroom by LA students.

All members of the committee who were present voted for the lab to continue working with the current status quo, but with complete documentation of usage.

Nancy brought up the issue of having Macintosh computers available at the labs, but it was decided that currently there is no need for such a change. Ed gave an update on the approved vote for the ARDEC Taylor Center receiving funds to spend for 40 undergraduate and 8 graduate computers.

Next meeting: arranged for March 23 at 2 pm, using a poll.

Motion to adjourn was made by Annie and second by Megan.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 pm.