
Members Present –C. Beauchamp, S. Boyd, J. Brickey, T. Brinthaup, K. Butler, N. Callender, B. Canak, L. Clark, R. Clark, C. Cooper, L. Craig-Unkefer, W. Cribb, K. Darby, J. Dooley, L. Dubek, G. Freeman, P. Fischer, G. Freeman, C. Harris, R. Heinrich, R. Henderson, M. Hinz, R. Hoffman, P. Kelly, Z. Khan, A. Lutz, S. Mangrum, K. Mathis, F. Miyakawa, K. N. Nofsinger, G. Pisut, M. Rice, C. Rosenmuller, L. Selva, P. Wall, M. Weller, P. West Osterfield, D. Winborn,

Members Absent –S. Daugherty, T. Greer, C. Li, C. Stephens

Members Excused – M. Arndt, M. Baggarly, L. Burriss, M. Knight, J. Maynor, D. Patterson, S. Rawls, G. Zlotky

Additional Attendees –

Agenda

1. Roll Call – The meeting was called to order at 4:30PM.
2. Approval of August 24, 2011 Minutes – A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes.
3. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Travel – \$400.00
 - b. Operating Expenses – \$2,358.71
 - c. Foundation Account – \$531.44
4. Presentations
 - a. Mr. Bruce Petryshak, VP of Information Technology:
 - i. He began by reemphasizing the reasoning behind the “cloud” computing concept. He stated that this system will provide more flexibility at a lower cost. He stated that more access to a larger number of software packages would be provided. Legacy software can be used by logging onto an older OS. The system will be incorporated into administrative accounts initially. A question regarding using Macintosh computers with this system was asked. Mr. Petryshak agreed that this was an issue but it

was being investigated. An individual asked if the cloud model was being used at other institutions, and if so, what are known issues with the system. Mr. Petryshak listed several institutions. He identified security as being a benefit of this system, but the potential problem of the system crashing and not being able to access anything does exist. Ownership issues for intellectual property were questioned. Dr. Petryshak says that the current rules on this issue apply to the new system. Privacy issues were discussed. Mr. Petryshak stated that unless a court order were given, no one on campus would oversee/monitor an individual's data transfer. Open forums advertised last semester were discussed. Mr. Petryshak said that invitations from Chairs for him to visit a department would be appropriate. He also said that in October, open forums would be held in addition to web presences for each major ITD project.

- ii. He also discussed steps towards a more unified/integrated communications system. The old email IDs will not disappear with the new exchange system. A question regarding accessing email from home was asked. The new system will provide a similar interface at home and work. An example of this not working in one department was shared. Mailbox space with the new system was questioned. Mr. Petryshak responded that the storage space would increase. In response to another question regarding Skydrive, the Senate was informed that faculty will not have nor need access to Skydrive.
- iii. An Instructional Technology Development Grant will be created. Sustainable and cross discipline submissions will be desired.
- iv. An issue regarding Pipeline vs. D2L email not being updated was asked. Ms. Draude asked the individual who brought up the issue to contact her.
- v. Mr. Petryshak shared that an MTSU App for the Android had been developed and would also be developed for the iPhone.
- b. Ms. Barbara Draude, Assistant VP of Information Technology
 - i. Ms. Draude shared that MTSU is searching for a new vendor to host MTSU's websites.
 - ii. Turnitin.com is in place and available through D2L Dropboxes. Ms. Draude shared that it provides an originality report and a process for electronic grading. Peermark is a student paper sharing function not currently available through D2L. ITD can make it available for those who would like to use it.
 - iii. Softchalk is a software for creating simple multimedia which meet accessibility guidelines. Ms. Draude shared that it is very end user friendly. It is compatible with PC and Mac. The ability to edit Studymate will not be available in the future.
 - iv. An Instructional Design Specialist is now in the Library.

5. New Business

- a. TBR Systemwide Rule 0240-02-03-.03 Academic and Classroom Misconduct August 30, 2011 – See Attachment:
 - i. The status of this policy was questioned. Senators are to bring this information to their departments or colleges. Responses

should be passed back to Kim or Alfred by September 16. Ms. Zimmerman discovered that this policy amendment was brought up by a student affairs representative group and that it did not have to go through committees for review. Absenteeism is not addressed in the policy. Who determines the severity of offences was questioned. The assigning of a grade of F according to the policy is considered a disciplinary action.

- ii. A motion was made, seconded and passed to allow Alfred to make a statement at the next sub council meeting to request that any policy decisions involving faculty at any level should include faculty representation.
- b. Standing Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs – Positions to be filled:
 - i. This committee is now in place and in need of members.
- c. Chair of the Senate Education Committee Asking for MTSU course syllabi:
 - i. Course syllabi from 50+ courses at MTSU which relate to Islam have been requested. The Provost has asked why the information is requested. The requestor is supposedly anonymous.
- d. Search for Dean of Library:
 - i. The search has moved to a short list. More faculty participation in the interview process has been requested.
- e. Marcus Knight and Paul West Osterfield were introduced as new Senators.
- f. Warner was presented with gifts from the Senate.
- g. A Senator questioned the need for the annual online training. The ability to skip to the end and print the certificates was shared.

Respectfully submitted,

Nate Callender
2011-2012 Faculty Senate Recording Secretary

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