



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 19, 2011

Bill McKinney called the 107th meeting of the Committee to order at 9 A.M. in ET 206. Other members present: Walt Branson, Deb Conklin, Jack Dahl, Cyndy Elick, Mark Franke, Bob Kostrubanic, George McClellan, Cheryl Truesdell, and Kim McDonald for Max Yen. Bart Tyner and John Kaufeld also attended.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the April 21 meeting were approved.

Recent Blackboard Issues

Bob Kostrubanic reported that IPFW is using an old version of Blackboard, hosted in West Lafayette, and scheduling of an upgrade to the current version has been delayed repeatedly. Both AOC and ACITAS have endorsed improvement in services through an upgrade to the current version and establishment of a local version. The vendor is offering an attractive lease arrangement, and it also includes a course evaluation service and some support for “branding.” ITPC members endorsed the proposal to establish a local version of Blackboard, hosted by the vendor.

Computer Lab Consultant Positions

Bob Kostrubanic reported that about 45 lab consultants are employed this year. The plan is to move to about 20 positions, with training to support upgrading of the positions. The group suggested a gradual transition, with evaluation of the initiative.

Social Media Policy

The group discussed the updated draft policy statement that had been distributed. ITPC members endorsed the policy, and it will now be considered by the Chancellor’s Executive Staff. [Editor’s note: The Executive Staff approved.]

Proposed Policy on Extending the IPFW Network

The group discussed the wording of the proposal and the intent. The consensus of the group was that the policy should emphasize the need for prior approval. An updated draft will be considered at the next meeting.

Other

Bob Kostrubanic reported that Novell corporate support for Groupwise is declining and suggested that it is time to look at alternatives. Further information will be provided at the June meeting.

**Future Agenda
Items**

Further consideration of the policy on extending the IPFW network.
Further consideration of a change in the e-mail system.

**Meeting
Schedule for
2010-11**

The meeting schedule for 2010-11 is shown below. Meetings are scheduled in ET 206 (except as noted), 9-10:30 on the following Thursday mornings:

September 16

October 21(in KT 178)

November 18

December 16

January 20

February 17

March 17

April 21

May 19

June 16