Minutes
Information Systems & Technology Committee
718 General Classroom
December 18, 1997
3:00 p.m.

Present: Evelyn Babey, Reid Christenberry, Missy Cody, Fred Massey, Robin Morris, John Neel, Bill Nelson, Scott Owen, Greg Streib, Patrick Wiseman

Absent: Paula Dressel, Larry Kelley, Bill Kinyon, Detmar Straub, Shirley Tastad

The November Minutes were approved as distributed.

IS&T External Redirection Plan

IS&T's redirection plan of $60,000 will be fulfilled with savings due to payoff of the Amhdal mainframe.

IS&T's New Funding Priorities

Three FY'99 Proposed New Funding Requests lists, in priority order, were distributed and reviewed for preliminary discussion. The three documents provided different levels of information concerning the requests and were previously reviewed by a subcommittee. The committee was charged with providing their perspectives and review priority order.

- Combine the eleven priorities into three, listing the ongoing commitments at the beginning of the documents and relating progress to date.
- The documents must be in the correct form and reflect terminology expected by FACP.
- The term, "mandatory" when referring to contingency items initiated in previous year, with continuous implications, and supported by current budget, is not the correct terminology. The mandatory contingency items generally include contract obligations, increases in service contract rates, problems related to services, positions filled but not funded, and classroom support. This term should be consistent with FACP terminology.
- Figures should be consistent in the three documents.
- Rename documents to "Overview" and "Detail or Narrative."
- Provide data on replacement costs of Cheetah. Include Student Information Systems (SIS) as a priority.
- Request sufficient funds to get projects done.
- Add updating Classroom South to the priorities.
- Current University data is not correct and sometimes not available. Shadow systems are often kept in various offices order to assure accuracy when providing information. Regents policies are raising new concerns about accuracy of information. Resolution of this problem should be a high priority.
- A multi-year plan would be appreciated.
Include figures for salaries and benefits in the requests.

Requested salaries for technology positions should be competitive with the current market.
Presentations at FACP should begin by showing appreciation for approval of requests in previous years.
Though IS&T is requesting a technology fee, it may not receive approval. Some of these priorities will be covered by an approved technology fee.

In discussion of documents to present scenarios if funding is not provided, Reid distributed a document called "Information and Instructional Technology of Alternative Strategic Plan Emphasis Areas," that was developed by the previous non-Senate IS&T Committee.

**Teaching & Learning with Technology Subcommittee Report**

TLTS meetings generally are scheduled on the Friday after ISAT committee. Minutes of this subcommittee will soon be on a web site. TLTS will prepare strategic goals of the subcommittee.

Six recommendations were forwarded to the IS&T Advisory Committee for possible implement by Fall, 1998.

They are looking forward to reports on results of Clayton State's experiment with student-owned computers. Currently, there is no infrastructure available to support this at Georgia State. However, it is believed that student-owned computers would save as much as $600,000 in support of classrooms. Reid will review data and the possible affect of student-owned computers on classroom and labs.

TeamWeb should keep TLTS informed of activities.

**GroupWise 5**

Reid reported GroupWise 5.2 will soon be deployed on campus, beginning with the offices of the President and Provost. He outlined the advantages of the new software.

**Suggested Future Agenda Topic for IS&T Committee**

- Affect of student-owned computers on classroom and labs.
- University Technology Support Group Membership and Charge.

Meeting adjourned.
Please send questions or comments to Mary Nell Stone