Minutes
Senate Information Systems & Technology Committee
November 19, 1998
3:00 p.m.

Present:
Faith Borthwick, Laura Burtle, Reid Christenberry, Missy Cody, Katalia Flint, Marty Fraser, Michael Moore, John Neel, Bill Nelson, Scott Owen, Bill Waugh, Richard Welke

Absent:
Evelyn Babey, Yezdi Bhada, Tim Crimmins, Mary Ann Finn, Randy Jones, Mark Keil, Larry Kelley, Greg Lisby, Detmar Straub, Shirley Tastad, Patrick Wiseman

Carolyn Gard, the new director of the University Educational Technology Services, IS&T, was introduced to the committee.

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The October minutes were approved as distributed.

Initial Discussion of Action Plan for FY'00
Tentative IS&T FY00 action plans were distributed. These will be reviewed in a to-be-scheduled subcommittee meeting, along with other materials, and updated plans will be shared again in the December Senate ISAT meeting. A final paper will be submitted for approval in the January meeting. Reid explained the urgency relationship of the 23 action items. The committee feels number 16, "Commence implementation of Student Information System replacement application," should be of a higher priority, because of the current problems associated with it IS&T was encouraged to partner with other groups to raise this flag to a greater level of support. Another concern voiced was the contingency planning for Y2K should our current plans not address all the issues. Regarding number 21, "Design and implement a campus-wide video distribution infrastructure," John is compiling a paper addressing this. If the Regents have funds for this, Georgia State University needs to apply for them. If the Board of Regents looks to this campus for WebCT services, some funds will be forthcoming.

IT Salary Study
Information regarding Watson Wyatt's information technology job study was distributed for review. This is in draft form and should not be distributed. Initiating the raises to the median salaries will cost approximately $230,000. Reid reported he reviewed the study with Ron Henry and Bill Decatur. Indications are that it may take up to two years to bring the IT staff to the median, but it will happen. This may lead to a redirection proposal to the Board of Regents. Atlanta's pay scale is consistent with national IT salary average, but Georgia State University is competing against large corporations within the Atlanta area. This study was called for in the IT Strategy Plan, HR and IS&T initiated the study, and they used an outside consultant to document the need.

Since Scott had to leave and Randy Jones was not present, there were no TLTS or IT Support Subcommittee updates.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m. The next meeting is December 17, 3:00 p.m., 718 General Classroom.