## Senate Information Systems & Technology (ISAT)
### Thursday, August 21, 2008
1:30 PM
718 General Classroom Building

### Minutes

**In Attendance:**

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<th>J.L. Albert</th>
<th>Cheshier, David</th>
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<td>Randall, Alberts</td>
<td>Shiferaw Gurmu</td>
<td>Bill Paraska</td>
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<td>Brendan Calandra</td>
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<td>Mary Jane Casto</td>
<td>Steve Manson</td>
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### CALLED TO ORDER

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made and second to approve the minutes of April 24, 2008, as presented.

### SHARING LARGE DATA FILES

Dr. Pullman explained that he has received comments from faculty members who are experiencing difficulty sending emails with large attachments. He pointed out that faculty and staff are keeping their dated emails for documentation and possible future use, thus reducing the size of their mailbox memory size. Dr. Pullman reported that J.L. Albert presented a solution to this problem to the Information Technology Steering Groups (ITSG) and asked him to present at the next ISAT meeting. Bill Paraska announced that a product has been chosen for long term storage of emails and will be announced at the end of the month.

JL asked members of the Committee to give him an idea on the number of people in their units that uses large files. This information would help him determine the scope and the adequate resources required. Discussion ensued.

### DIGITAL AQUARIUM UPGRADES/SUGGESTIONS

Dr. Pullman reported that Jarrell Anderson, member of the Student Senate, received comments from students about upgrades at the digital aquarium. One concern was the lack of space for in the Aquarium for students. Dr. Pullman responded that ISAT could not address the space issue at this time, as the entire University is facing this dilemma.
Students suggested getting multi media vending machines that would allow them to purchase such items as DVDs, audio devices, flash drives, etc. The vending machine suggestion looked very promising. Vending machines of this type are already being utilized at Tech and UGA. ISAT will look into contacting vendors for more information and prices.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **The Exchange**

  JL Albert reminded everyone that the faculty Exchange is open for business. The Exchange is located on the 1st floor of Library South. It’s open Monday thru Friday; from 6:30 AM until 8:30 PM. The Exchange is a facility for faculty to work on their on-line course, class materials, research and more. One-on-one help is also available. The Exchange has various equipment; and software that mirrors faculty members’ computers.

- **New GSU Student Email System**

  Bill Paraska announced that students at GSU will be getting a new email system. Beginning October 1, 2008, Student emails will be provided by live@edu by Microsoft. The decision to outsource the student email system was based on costs and continued demands by students. With live@edu, the features include:

  - free email account
  - 10 GB memory for email account
  - file sharing
  - community calendar
  - web page capabilities
  - instant messaging
  - an additional 5 GB of storage to use at their discretion

  Students will still use their same @student.gsu.edu domain. This email transition and change will be transparent to the student. Transitioning email services to live@edu for alumni, faculty and staff is still under review. Bill offered to give the Committee a demo of live@edu at the next Committee meeting. Discussion followed.

**MEETING DATES AND TIMES**

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 18, 2008.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Carroll