Senate Information Systems & Technology (ISAT)
Thursday, October 21, 2010
1:30 PM
718 General Classroom Building

Minutes

In Attendance:

Julian Allen    Lisa Cranwell-Bruce    Steve Harmon    Andrey Shilnikov
John Bandy     Markus Germann        Chip Hill        Ellen Taylor
Dan Benardot   Doug Goans            Jeff Pruett      Eboni Walker
Brendan Calandra    Bill Gruszka      Jeff Qin        Michael Weeks
Keith Campbell  Shiferaw Gurmu      Mike Raderstorf

CALLED TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of August 19, 2010, as presented.

Microsoft Exchange Migration Update

Keith Campbell, Director of Technology Engineering, announced that IS&T will delay the
migration of Microsoft Exchange. This decision was made based on Microsoft’s many
changes and repackaging of the program. The BPOS (for education) is no longer an option.
Microsoft is combining BPOS, Live@edu and Live Small Business into a single offering and
platform. The new program/package is now called Microsoft Office 365. Keith explained
that Microsoft did not offer a smooth migration path for GSU.

Implementation will start in Summer 2011, but migration will start in the Fall. Keith stated
that IS&T will be testing the program first before rolling out to the campus. JL has met with
President Becker, and he has approved the delay. For more information, Keith encouraged
everyone to visit Microsoft’s website at: office365.microsoft.com.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning the migration process, communicating the
changes to the University, and clarification on the migration schedule process.
FY2012 TECH FEE

Eboni Walker stated that Tech Fee is starting for FY2012. The method will be the same as last year. Participants will enter information in the web based program. The Call for Proposals will begin on November 1st. Eboni asked everyone to review the forms and give feedback. Stage 1 and Stage 2 forms were not changed, except for the dates. Committee member posed a question about putting the dates for submission on the on-line page. Eboni said she can publish deadline dates on the on-line page for the sub-committee.

MJ Casto reported that the new system's CIO investigated the Regent’s guidelines for tech fee. He determined that when tech fee monies are being distributed, there must be 50% student representative on the committee. Other than that, there are no new official guidelines. GSU will continue to use the Regents' guidelines, but can look at changing or dropping the Regents’ guidelines next year. Dr. Calandra asked if anyone had any changes. Discussion ensued.

**Action Item:**

It was motioned and seconded that the Stage 1 and Stage 2 forms be approved with the following changes and pending amendment:

- Add important submission and deadline dates to forms.
- Add statement concerning submission dates: “Internal submission dates may be different from the Tech Fee Committee’s. Please contact your college.”
- Amendment: Any minor changes should be submitted to Eboni Walker or MJ Casto by Wednesday, October 27th.

**UPDATES**

- Dr. Calandra reported that Colleges can give input on PAWS. Tim Woltering is the contact person. Suggestion was made to invite Tim to address the committee. Discussion ensued.

- Dr. Calandra gave an update on the Mobile-friendly Website mentioned at the last meeting. He reported that University Relations is responsible for look and feel of the University's website. John Bandy and Jay Steed, of IS&T, will collect all website concerns and suggestions of Committee members. Dr. Calandra will forward their contact information to Committee members.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Research Depository

Steve Harmon reported that the research committee met on Monday and the topic of a Research depository came up, which is required by funding agencies. They are working with the Library but did not mentioned IS&T. Steven felt this concept of a data or research
depository is something we should be looking at also. John Bandy responded that Dr. Morris has hired a records manager who is investigating a research depository. John said they just got started on this project.

**Status of IS&T and iPhone Development**

Julian Allen reported that JL is working on negotiations with Apple. JL is working on developing a group license for iPhones. Julian will have more information when JL’s back in the office.

**uLearn**

The Learning Management System Survey team (LMS team), comprised of faculty and IS&T staff, is working on a survey to determine what LMS will replace the existing uLearn application. The LMS team will be sending out its survey in the next few days. Their survey will be focusing on what faculty members really want. The survey will go out to all faculty members and will come from the Provost or President. USG recently sent out its own survey to random faculty members at GSU. However, GSU will make its own decision, independent of USG results. The uLearn contract will expire in 2013.

Dr. Calandra suggested that a representative from ISAT be on LMS team; he recommended Steve Harmon. Bill Gruszka stated that the BOR will not dictate what course management software universities use. It was noted that GA Tech is not using uLearn. The process of how the data will be use and how a decision will be determined has not been decided at this time. The decision should go before the Senate. Discussion ensued.

**False Positives with Exchange**

Michael Weeks expressed concerns about false positives with Microsoft Exchange. He wanted to know what GSU is doing regarding false positives. Bill Gruszka responded that UGA's faculty, staff and students are using Exchange. UGA is working with Microsoft on a solution to correct this. Bill can give an update at the next meeting. Michael told him about his graduate student who can not receive emails from him. Bill asked him to send the email address and information to Jerry Allen.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Carroll