Proposal for the Use of the FY2001 Technology Fee

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1. Executive Summary

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2. Project Description

This project would enable students to connect to the campus network using laptops provided by the Library. Laptops would be available for checkout at the Library Circulation desk and would be able to connect to the network using wireless technology available in the Library bridges and in Library South. Currently, students meet regularly in study groups to discuss assignments at the tables located in the bridges, and could use them in the Library North group meeting rooms. These groups often utilize laptops in order to prepare presentations, reports etc. and would clearly benefit from being able to access network resources such as online databases. The computer charging cart would provide the library with a secure place to store the laptops and keep them charged when not in use.

3. Relevance to Regents Guidelines

This proposal is consistent with the first enabling paragraph in the technology fee guidelines:

"[1] Technology fee revenues should be used primarily for the direct benefit of students to assist them in meeting the educational objectives of their academic programs. At this point in the evolution of collegiate academic technologies, access is important: access to productivity tools, discipline specific software packages, computers and printers, internal and external databases, introductory and advanced training, and access to networks (from home or from campus). Therefore, high priorities should be given to the use of technology fees for these purposes."

It specifically addresses the objectives of access to computers, access to productivity tools and access to networks from campus.

4. Justification of One-time Funding Requirements

Cost:

8 laptop computers @ $2,500 each = $20,000
1 computer charging cart @ $502 = $ 502
8 PC cards @ $125 = $ 1,000

**Total Cost**

$21,502

5. Continuing Funding Requirements

Add 3 new PC’s each year and to build in annual replacement for 1/3 of machines = $ 7,500

6. Accountability of Funds

One-time funds will be used for specific, identifiable hardware (computers). Regular inventory procedures will insure accountability of funds.

7. Additional Funding Required, Non-Technology Fee

N/A

8. Impact on Computing/Network Infrastructure

Unknown.