Information Technology Committee

November 7, 2008, 1pm, Vance 105

Present: Mamed, Mejia, Mencohe, O’Neill, Jones, Kara-Soteriou, Herman, Doan, Snyder, Kurkovsky
Ex-Officio Members Present: Altieri, Cernock, Iglesias.

I. Call To Order
The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm.

II. Approval of minutes of October 3, 2008.
The Minutes were approved as amended.

III. Announcements
The fall semester Student Learning Colloquium will be held on Dec. 12, 2008. This year’s theme will be “Teaching with Technology”.

IV. Committee Reports - see item V

V. Old Business
• Report from the Ad-Hoc committee to revise the ITC By-Laws

The Ad Hoc ITC policy committee, comprised of Jones, Petterson, Mencohe, and Mamed, presented a discussion document (http://www.ccsu.edu/itc/Agendas/Agendas08-09/ITCbylawsdiscussion.rtf) for the committee’s consideration.

Discussion
There was general agreement that the revised charge should be more policy-oriented. ITC would bear responsibility for all decisions about prioritizing faculty interests in academic computing at CCSU.

ITC would retain its current structure. However, it was suggested that removal of the quorum requirement, which was recommended by the Ad-Hoc committee, might be in conflict with an expanded charge to serve as a policy-making body. Jones will bring the issue to the Faculty Senate’s Committee on Committees.

Altieri commented on the ongoing meeting attendance problem. Reducing size of the committee was proposed as a possible solution.

Jones suggested pursuing substantive changes this year but deferring restructuring discussions until next year.

Mamed observed that if ITC carried more clout, then attendance at meetings might improve.

The question of whether the revised charge would apply to ALL technology expenditures or only ones funneled through ITC was raised. Mejia asked whether requiring ITC approval of all requests in excess of a designated amount would settle the question.
Cernock opposed this, but stated that costs should be included as part of the request.

Cernock suggested “requiring ITS support” should be appended to the draft charge to ensure that ITS is aware of projects requiring technology support.

Altieri and Menoche supported idea of having ITC function as clearinghouse for all technology projects in order to address the lack of coordination of purchases (e.g., more than one “Clicker” product in use at CCSU) and to ensure that ITS is able to provide support.

**Motion: All in favor of taking the revised ITC charge to the faculty senate.**

“The Faculty Senate’s Information Technology Committee is the committee responsible for making all decisions about prioritizing faculty interests in academic computing at CCSU.”

*Motion approved.*

**VI. New Business**

Mandates from CSU that impact CCSU should be routed through ITC.

Cernock suggested the proper channel for CSU notices related to academic computing is the CCSU Vice-President for Academic Affairs, who will then forward to ITC.

**Motion: “The President of the Faculty Senate will ask the CSU Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs to urge the CSU CIO to consult with academic computing governance structures of the four Universities on decisions related to academic computing.”**

*Motion approved.*

The meeting was adjourned at 2 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Herman
ITC Secretary