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Associated Students of the University of Washington, Tacoma

Student Technology Fee Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 3rd, 2004

Call to order: 6:57 PM

Roll Call

Members (Present)  Ex-Officios (Present)
Paul Snyder       Jan Rutledge
Derek Smith       Forrest Tyree
Karen Furuya      Brook Bower
Eric Wagenhals    Alex Matviychuk

Members (Not Present)  Ex-Officios (Not Present)
(No one was absent)    Mark Dodson (Excused)

Old Business:
- Motion made by Paul to approve the meeting minutes dated 4/1 and 4/19. Unanimous approval.
- STFC will approve April 12 minutes at the next meeting.

New Business:
- Proposals thus far-
  - Proposal deadline to stay the same.
  - For 2003-009-D, please see 2004-017-A: “Student Technology Workshops”
  - 2004-001-C: Library Desktops
    - Tim Bostelle currently supports the library computers.
    - Some CPUs are heavily used, but not all of them. Would it be a better idea to update the ones that need the upgrade the most – about 20 computers?
    - For the glare problems, tell the library to put screens over the windows: It’s cheaper to buy a window shade than replace all the monitors in the library.
    - However, LCD monitors do have a few advantages: more space, more energy efficient.
    - How about a few external USB zip drives instead of having a zip in every computer?
    - Is there any justification for providing zip drives, new monitors, and more than 20 units?
  - 2004-002-A: Going Wireless
    - Derek sent the author of 002 an e-mail asking for more information.
    - We should suggest that the author look at 013-A.
  - 2004-003-A: Cherry Park Computers
    - Will ALL students benefit from the computers?
• What kind of computers are they interested in? Author should clarify.
• If they need specialty software, it should not be funded by STFC.
• Installation by this month is not possible.
• We don’t do semi-annual upgrade/maintenance.
• There has already been some talk about moving a lab over to CP.

• **2004-004-B: Laptop Computers in the Library**
  • Will students be able to check them out for extended periods? (For example, the weekend)
  • Can students take them out of the library? Will the student have access to the charger so it doesn’t die during extended use? (beyond two hours)
  • Desktops cost less for maintenance. Also, who will maintain them? What happens if a student breaks a laptop or its components (screen, etc.)
  • Right now, laptops are used to put a computer in the study rooms. So why not install desktops in those rooms and then change the system (laptop check-out) to allow for extended use laptops as described above?

**Other Items / Announcements:**
• Paul verified that third-party software is necessary for printing software. However, because of it’s relatively low price ($800/server), it may be workable. We will still look at the various printing proposals.
• STFC committee members will not compile a single list of questions. Instead, they should continually send questions up until May 20th using the proposal website.
• STFC should get through about 14 proposals per meeting and any extras will be handled on the last meeting before May 20th, which will be May 17th.
• Proposals 28 and 29 are acceptable because they were turned in on time, but in written form. Karen and Derek will input those into the computer system to make sure we have online access to those proposals.
• Congratulations! Our marketing worked! We had record turnout for proposals!
• The server went down at 2:00PM so if anyone complains about not being able to submit their proposal, then they have a valid complaint and we need to deal with those accordingly.

**Adjournment:** 8:05 p.m.