Information Technology Policy Committee
Minutes
IPFW
January 19, 2012

Attending: Bill McKinney, Walt Branson, Deb Conklin, Jack Dahl, Mark Franke, Rebecca Jensen, Bob Kostrubanic, George McClellan, Cheryl Truesdell, Max Yen, Carl Drummond, Gail Rathbun

1. Call to Order

Dr. McKinney called to 111th meeting of the Committee to order at 9:00 am in ET 206.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the December 15 meeting were approved.

3. ITCO Report

Gail Rathbun distributed copies of the ITCO report documenting accomplishments since January 2011. She highlighted the cooperative accomplishments of ITCO and ACITAS. They have formed a subcommittee to focus on further collaborative efforts. The first such collaborative effort was the “Technology Showcase: Learning Anywhere, Anytime.” ACITAS also hosted the Red Balloon forum and issued a statement supporting the switch to Blackboard 9.1.

ITCO has updated their FAQ website to the new IPFW template

ITCO and ACITAS discussed the necessity to evaluate/assess Blackboard. Has the implantation been successful and has Blackboard improved teaching and learning? There was discussion related to this and it was recognized that there needed to be broad representation on the committee designing the review. It was also suggested that the Assessment Office needed to be involved.

There was also discussion that Blackboard needed to be more flexible to accommodate other uses.

4. ACITAS Report on Draft Policies

ACITAS is looking at three policy areas: (1) overall I.T. adoptions; (2) non-university applications and (3) general software policies. They are seeking input and will bring recommendations to ITPC when ready.

5. Other
Mark Franke informed the Committee that IPFW and Folletts are working on an e-textbook pilot project for the second summer session. More information will be provided as the project is implemented.

Bob Kustrubanic reported on several items.

- Infrastructure project is about 90% complete
- ITS has become proactive in network monitoring and balancing. Software has been installed to monitor the routers and switches.
- The Science Building has been upgraded and the ground floor of the library will be completed by the end of January.
- The Windows 7 replacement list should be completed soon.
- VIBE is in production
- The VDI (virtual desktop initiative) pilot project is getting underway. Sociology will be the pilot site and math labs will be the second site.
- ITS has started on a draft I.T. plan