Bill McKinney called the 109th meeting of the Committee to order at 9 A.M. in ET 206. Other members present: Walt Branson, Karen Van Gorder for Deb Conklin, Jack Dahl, Carl Drummond, Cyndy Elick, Mark Franke, Rebecca Jensen, Bob Kostrubanic, Cheryl Truesdell, and Max Yen.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the June 16 meeting were approved.

Note: The approved policy on Extending the University Data Network has been posted to the ITPC web site.

Status Report on the iPad Project

Sam Birk presented an update on what has become the first iPad cohort. An eight member steering committee was formed. The cohort includes faculty from all colleges. Machines were provided to 40 faculty members, and another 20 faculty members already had machines and joined the cohort. A second cohort will start in spring semester, with 30 machines to be provided. Four departments have also purchased machines for all of their faculty members. Interactions with K-12 teachers are being developed. Several departments are incorporating IOS application development in their curriculum, and faculty research projects are being considered. The project is also consistent with e-textbook initiatives and conversion of course packs currently sold in the bookstore.

There are preliminary discussions about establishing a lending program for students and about requiring machines for students in some programs.

The project has an overall goal of improving student learning and retention, using the iPad as a tool.

Non-University Applications Support

Members were asked to review the policy for discussion at the December meeting. Jack will see if updated materials are available from IU.

Designating Software as Official

The group expressed general support for designating Blackboard Learn as IPFW’s officially supported learning management system. Jack will prepare a draft policy statement.
Update on Groupwise Replacement

Mark Franke asked about the current status of Groupwise and options for the campus. Bob Kostrubanic reported that an updated version has been released and that his staff has just started looking at it.

Library Server Issues

Bill McKinney reported that the need for library server replacement has become critical, and Cheryl Truesdell distributed copies of a cost estimate. The project would cost about $75,000, and it will be discussed further at the December meeting.

Other

Future Agenda Items

The meeting schedule for 2011-12 is shown below. Meetings are scheduled in ET 206 (except as noted), 9-10:30 on the following Thursday mornings:

- September 15
- October 20 ** This meeting will be in SB 176 **
- November 17
- December 15
- January 19
- February 16
- March 15
- April 19
- May 17
- June 14