



May 16, 2012 – FLITE Technology Meeting

Chairperson: Scott Garrison

Present: Scott Garrison, Scott Claerhout, Kristy Motz, Emily Mitchell, Brent Kundinger, Leah Monger, Randall Schroeder, Sharon Hamel, Jackie Hughes, Rick Bearden, Mike Johnson, Kris Tessin, Josie VanAvery.

TOPICS

Equipment requests update

Scott Garrison noted that FLITE will be awarded at least \$25,000 from the Provost Office and possibly additional amounts at the time of second round of requests. Suggested uses of the funding were: a black history vault, a digital signage system, and a new KDM server system. There was a consensus that the KDM server system was the preferred use of the funds.

Mike indicated that the digital signage will be a Ferris community project; more information concerning the digital signage should be obtained if there is opportunity of additional funds. Jackie concurred that the signage is an important equipment request.

Action: Scott Garrison will move forward with the pursuit of the KDM server and will talk to Bill Potter about the digital signage.

Wireless for Nooks, etc. in FLITE update

Kristy noted that the authentication connection doesn't work well with the inexpensive Nooks that are brought to the library by patrons. Scott Claerhout indicated that the Bradford connection has worked well in select buildings at Ferris. He also noted that it appears as FSU Net I –after you register the device-you just have to use your device monthly and your device is recognized rather than needing to authenticate frequently. Kristy voiced concerns about the students that might have difficulty with networking.

Action: FLITE should move forward to pursue a change with the wireless Cisco AP at FLITE and possibly serve as a test market for the Bradford AP.

IKON/Ricoh printing/copying RFP

Scott G. reported that Jerry Scoby, the CFO of Ferris, stated the purchasing department of Ferris will be requesting a RFP (request for proposal) for the printing/copying at FLITE. Scott G. indicated he would like to inquire as to whether there was actual need for a full-time staff through the third-party print management company.

As noted by Scott G., Rick will be presenting the prospect of seeking the on-board participation of other colleges with the printing issue at the May 29th, Deans' Council meeting. Rick pointed out that public printing is a major issue rather than just a copier service and also noted that the entire issue is more complicated than the Purchasing Department might understand. Scott G. suggested that once the plan is decided upon, it might be beneficial to make it short term in order to bridge us to where we want to be. He plans to deliberate on solving this issue. Sharon suggested information from Bill Potter's department plan for print management could be shared to aid with any decision making. Randall noted that the current print management staff (John Ruark) has always performed a very worthwhile effort.

Scott C. mentioned that the long-term goal might be to acquire additional parties on campus, including non-academic parties to participate with the print management program.

Action: Scott G. will assemble a committee to prepare us for a RFP for print management.

Other business/roundtable

Kristy noted information from the Rural Library Conference indicating that there was a group in Michigan working county-by-county across the state to increase broadband access. Jackie concurred with the importance and would like to refer this to the EMat committee which is vitally interested in this topic. The website for additional information is www.connectmichigan.org.

Leah noted Innovative Interfaces has sent a survey to her to inquire what services are desired and that the survey is due May 25. She has forwarded it to Kris and Randall.

Jackie noted the new posting of a position with the FCTL would in-turn require them to order a new server and space on the server rack of FLITE would be needed for this server. Rick relayed that it would not be a problem.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45

Next FLITE Technology Meeting

June 20, 2012, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Submitted by Josie VanAvery