Student Tech Fee (STF) Oversight Committee

Minutes of Meeting: February 21, 2006

Voting Members Present: Jerry Baudin, Spencer Sissell, Michelle Gieg, Chuck Wilson, Neal Stoltzfus, Bo Staples, Peter Mistretta, Brian Voss, Jessica Ketcham, Heath Hattaway, and Josh King.

Guests: Joe Hutchinson, Pam Nicolle, Melody Childs, Stacey Morales, Robert Doolos, Bob Kuhn and Bogdan Oporowski.

Materials distributed:
Minutes from February 14, 2006 meeting
Student Technology Fee Discipline Specific Equipment Ranking Sheet
Student Technology Fee FY 2006-2007 Uncommitted Funds

I. Welcome and Introduction.
The meeting was called to order by Jerry Baudin at approximately 3:05 p.m.

II. Old Business.

A. Approval of the February 14, 2006 Minutes (Jerry Baudin)
Spencer Sissell motioned for the approval of the minutes; Josh King seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

III. New Business.

A. Discussion of FY 2006-2007 Discipline Specific Proposals (Jerry Baudin)
Thirty nine discipline specific proposals were submitted to the Student Technology Fee (STF) Committee for FY 2006-2007 at a total cost of $2,361,434. The committee has approximately $1 million allocated to fund discipline specific projects, $329,947 of this was already committed to multi-year projects approved in FY 05-06 leaving approximately $700,000 to distribute. The committee began discussion of the proposals starting with the highest ranked project on the STF ranking sheet. The following decisions were reached after lengthy discussions of each proposal:

The following 9 proposals were approved at a total of $465,700.

**Discipline Specific Proposals Approved for Funding in FY 06-07**

**Arts & Sciences**

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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>An Expanded Mathematics Lab</td>
<td>$167,484</td>
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<td>Writing Center</td>
<td>Expanding Writing Center Services to Middleton Library</td>
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**Basic Sciences**

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<td>Physics &amp; Astronomy</td>
<td>Enhancement of Nuclear, Radiation, Medical and Health Physics Laboratories</td>
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**Engineering**

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<td>Biological &amp; Agricultural Engineering</td>
<td>Biosensor Teaching Environment</td>
<td>$47,688</td>
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### Art & Design

**CADGIS Lab**  
$24,000  
Approved  
Principal Implementer: Barrett Kenndey  
Project Title: Network Servers for Geospatial and Graphics-Intensive Computing

**Landscape Architecture**  
$54,050  
Approved  
Principal Implementer: Bradley Cantrell  
Project Title: Interactive Design Display Systems

### Honors

$16,626  
Approved  
Principal Implementer: Michael Blandino  
Project Title: Multimedia Seminar Classroom

### Student Life & Academic Services

**Disability Services**  
$75,000  
Approved  
Principal Implementer: Benjamin Cornwell  
Project Title: Real-time Captioning/Note-taking for Students with Disabilities

### Academic Affairs

**Cain Center**  
$33,399  
Approved  
Principal Implementer: Frank Neubrander  
Project Title: Math and Science Teaching Laboratories for LSU’s Teacher Preparation Programs

### Discipline Specific Proposals on Hold – Pending Additional Information

- **Basic Sciences, Chemistry**  
  $115,021  
  Bob Kuhn will contact the Principal Implementer to determine why they did not accept the offer of $10,000 in matching funds offered by the Dean of the College of Basic Sciences. Also he will contact the Dean to see if his offer of matching funds is still available. If the Dean will offer $10,000 in matching funds and the Principal Implementer will accept the Committee will reduce the awarded funding to $105,021 and move to approve the proposal.

- **Basic Sciences, Geology & Geophysics**  
  $50,000  
  Bob Kuhn will contact the Principal Implementer to determine why they did not accept the offer of $10,000 in matching funds offered by the Dean of the College of Basic Sciences. Also he will contact the Dean to see if his offer of matching funds is still available. If the Dean will offer $10,000 in matching funds and the Principal Implementer will accept the Committee will reduce the awarded funding to $40,000 and move to approve the proposal.

- **Music & Dramatic Arts**  
  $24,900  
  Bob Kuhn will contact the Principal Implementer to determine if the equipment in the lab will be movable when Theatre leaves Hatcher Hall in approximately two years and returns to the M&DA Building.

- **Mass Communication**  
  $102,344  
  Bob Kuhn will contact the Principal Implementer to determine if any prior STF funds were used to establish the virtual set that collapsed thereby making this a request to replace/upgrade equipment previously acquired with STF funds. Also, since this project will impact the College of Art and Design, the Committee would like to have a letter(s) of support for the proposal from the Dean and impacted faculty of Art and Design.

- **Reilly Center**  
  $8,000  
  The Committee decided to offer 40 computers from the reallocation of the public access labs rather than purchase 40 new computers. Stacey Morales pointed out that computer cards for these 40 computers would need to be installed to accomplish the projects intensions. Brian Voss estimated to retrofit the public access lab computers with computer cards would cost approximately $100 per computer. Michelle Gieg motioned to offer 40 computers from the public access labs have them retrofitted with computer cards and fund the server requested for $3,972 bringing the total project cost to $8,000; Bo Staples seconded the motion. Spencer Sissell objected to the motion. The motion was approved by a majority of the Committee. Bob Kuhn will contact the Principal Implementer to determine if they will accept the Committee’s offer.
Discipline Specific Proposals Discussed and Not Approved for Funding in FY 06-07

**Education**
Kinesiology $90,072  
Principal Implementer: Li Li  
Project Title: Field Motion Analysis Laboratory

The Committee was not in favor of supporting a lab similar to one previously funded in FY 2005-2006.

**Music & Dramatic Arts**
Music $47,521  
Principal Implementer: Katia Madsen  
Project Title: Supporting Music Students' Teaching, Learning and Research through Technology

The Committee was not in favor of funding iPods as educational equipment.

**Center for Computation & Technology** $20,000  
Principal Implementer: Stephen Beck  
Project Title: Leveraging TigerWare to Provide Advanced Visualization Software for Instruction

The Committee was not in favor of funding a pilot project for visualization software at this time.

No other discipline specific proposals were discussed by the committee.

**IV. Next Meeting Date.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm in the 210/212 Fred Frey Computing Services Building.

**V. Adjourned.**

Neal Stoltzfus motioned for the meeting to adjourn; Chuck Wilson seconded; the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

**Reminders:** Please forward all agenda items and handouts to Bob Kuhn or Michele Perez a minimum of 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Student Representatives: If you are unable to attend the meeting, please send an alternate representative to ensure a quorum.

*Respectfully submitted, Jerry Baudin, Chairman  
Minutes recorded by Michele Perez*