Student Tech Fee (STF) Oversight Committee

Minutes of Meeting: June 15, 2005

Voting Members Present: Chuck Wilson, Michelle Gieg, Heath Hattaway, Danny Walpole, Spenser Sissell, Josh King, Bo Staples, Brian Voss and Neal Stoltzfus

Guests: Moshe Cohen, Bob Kuhn, William Beyer, Andy Waggenspack, Robert Doolos, Scott Menter, and Darcy Waguespack

Materials distributed:
Minutes from April 27, 2005 meeting

I. Welcome and Introduction.
The meeting was called to order by Bob Kuhn at approximately 2:05 p.m. Chuck Wilson is chairing the Committee today in the absence of Jerry Baudin.

II. Old Business.

A. Approval of the April 27, 2005 Minutes (Bob Kuhn)
Heath Hattaway motioned for the approval of the minutes; Josh King seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

B. Discussion of Possible Revisions to the STF Plan (Chuck Wilson)
The Committee discussed plans to possibly revise the STF Plan. Brian Voss informed the Committee that the Flagship IT plan would not be complete until March or April of 2006. The Committee decided to postpone any changes to the STF Plan until after the completion of the Flagship IT plan. The Committee will work over the next few months to evaluate and possibly implement changes on what is expected of proposals for Discipline Specific, Public Access Lab and Multi Media Classroom funding. Michelle Gieg recommended that two subgroups be formed to address each of these areas. The following subcommittees were formed and both will meet on June 29, 2005 and report back to the STF Oversight Committee at the July 6, 2005 meeting:
   Discipline Specific Subcommittee:
   Michelle Gieg - Chair, Josh King, Spencer Sissell, Chuck Wilson and Neal Stoltzfus

   Office of Computing Services (OCS)/ CELT Subcommittee:
   Heath Hattaway - Chair, Danny Walpole, Bo Staples, Pete Mistretta, Paul Dietzel, Brian Voss, and Robert Doolos

   Any changes, recommended by the subcommittees and approved by the STF Oversight Committee, must be published on the STF website as soon as possible and no later than the November 2005 call for FY 2006-2007 Discipline Specific Proposals.

C. Status Report on Faculty for Electronic Comment on Possible Proposed STF Plan Revisions (Neal Stoltzfus and Brian Voss)
At the April 27, 2005 meeting, the Committee asked Neil Stoltzfus and Brian Voss to draft an invitation for faculty to participate in an "electronic" forum concerning changes to the STF Plan and the discipline specific proposals. A working copy of that email was drafted and sent to the STF Committee Chairperson, Jerry Baudin. Brian Voss distributed copies of the draft for review and discuss. The Committee decided to postpone any e-mail of this type to students, faculty and staff until after the Flagship IT plan is complete.

III. New Business.

A. Software Distribution and Licensing (Brian Voss)
Brian Voss shared with the Committee the OCS vision for a campus wide software licensing and distribution system. This program would allow OCS to purchase campus licensing agreements for suites of software programs that students, faculty and staff would then be able to download and legally own. Currently it is campus policy that each
department or college purchase software packages for use by their students and faculty. The implementation of campus-wide licensing would allow OCS to better support the software programs used across campus. OCS would like the STF Oversight Committee to financially support this campus licensing and will present a proposal to the Committee at a future meeting.

B. Wireless Internet Article (Heath Hattaway)
Heath Hattaway provided the Committee with an article from The Advocate showing that Baton Rouge had been named by Intel Corp as one of the most improved wireless cities. Heath suggested that LSU should be leading Baton Rouge in the wireless effort, not Baton Rouge leading LSU. Brian Voss stated this year’s Intel Corp rating of the most unwired campuses is not yet available and he will present the rankings to the Committee as soon as they are available.

IV. Next Meeting Date.
The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 6, 2005 from 1:00 – 2:30 pm, location to be announced.

V. Adjourned.
Michelle Gieg motioned for the meeting to adjourn; Chuck Wilson seconded; the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 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