ITAC Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2009

Attendance: Marlene Allen, Gary Fisk, Jeff Green, Laurel Robinson, Gretchen Smith, Tom Weiland, Alla Yemelyanov, Royce Hackett, Jarrett Hartsfield, Thays Franca, and Stephen Snyder

Meeting was called to order at 11:00am.

1. Approval of minutes for February 25, 2009
   Weiland moved to approve, Allen seconded.
   The motion passed unanimously.

2. Faculty Web Page Development
   According to Thays, workshops for faculty doing web pages have been offered in the past but have not been very successful. Currently she is providing assistance as needed on a one-to-one basis. An enterprise solution, such as Omni Update, was discussed that would make web page development and updates simpler. Royce and Stephen are going to work on a proposal to submit to the administration. Another concern is that Microsoft is phasing out FrontPage. Several members expressed that Planning Week would be the ideal time to provide training for web page development.

3. Vista 8 Migration Update
   Alla let us know that migration of courses has begun and there are very few courses that have not migrated successfully. She will be contacting those professors so changes can be made that will hopefully allow the course to be migrated. Training for Vista 8 will be Thursday, April 9. There will be a morning and an afternoon training session. After the training session, instructors will be able to access their courses in the pre-production environment. The training session will count towards Teaching Circle credit.

4. Network and Wireless Update
   Currently there are no plans to add additional wireless networks on campus. The current infrastructure cannot handle any additional traffic. There are 2 outside wireless points waiting to be activated but that cannot happen until Active Directory is up and running. Pilot testing of Active Directory in the Computer Science building is the first step. Approximately $150,000 is needed for infrastructure upgrades and Royce has been discussing the situation with Cody. He is also meeting with Dr. Blanchard on Friday.

5. Lab Update
   A few computers have been replaced in the Academic Skills and Biology labs.

6. Student Computer Labs and Laptops
   We discussed an article about the University of Virginia. 99% of their students have their own computers which has negated the need for the University to provide computer labs for the students. We discussed that a portion of our student population relies on the campus computer labs since they do not have their own computers. However, most of the students living in the residence halls do have their own computers. One option for us would be to eliminate the computer labs in the residence halls.
7. Webmail
Marlene Allen asked why our webmail system does not allow users to access old emails. It was explained that once an email has been opened using Eudora it is downloaded to the user’s computer and no longer resides on the server making it impossible for the webmail system to access it.

8. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 12pm.

Submitted by,
Gretchen Smith, Secretary