Faculty Senate Technology Council

Minutes – October 17, 2011

- 1. Present: Robert Harris (chair), Doreen Corsetto (adjunct), Bella Florenthal (COB), Jeung Woon Lee (COSH), Cynthia Northington-Purdie (COE), Kurt Wagner (Library), Sandie Miller (Admin)
- 2. Harris, Florenthal, and Northington-Purdie will meet with Yuri Marder to discuss faculty use of social media and will draft a document on faculty use of social media. They will explore the idea of having a social media interest group for teaching faculty to share best practices.
- 3. The Council has been charged by the Executive Committee (10/11/2011 meeting, see <u>packet</u>) with reviewing the University IT policy with regards to subsection 1.1 (Privacy). *Harris has distributed the charge to the committee by email and will follow up.*
- 4. The Technology Forum will be held on Thursday, November 10 in the Student Center Ballroom A. The Council discussed the format of the forum and reviewed the results of last spring's survey to see if anything leant itself to becoming a forum topic. The main focus of interest from the survey was on how Help Desk response or service could be improved. That topic will fall under one of the three main interest areas that will be presented at the forum and to which attendees will select and participate in:
 - a. Videoconferencing. Faculty will discuss various video-conferencing experiences and ideas; Miller will be on hand to discuss the status of a establishing a university videoconferencing policy.
 - b. A social media table will be led by Harris at which faculty can share their knowledge and use of tools such as Facebook, Twitter, and other applications for teaching.
 - c. A table for discussing technology resources, communication and structure will include topics such as help desk, IT organization, and how IT is managed on campus.
 - d. "Write in" topics as come forward will be allowed if there is critical mass.
- 5. Publicity for the forum still needs to be addressed, and the council members were urged to begin to promote it in their colleges and to their colleagues.
- 6. The next meeting of the Technology Council will be on Monday, October 31, at 2:30 PM in the Library Reference Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted: K. Wagner (cosmetic updates by Harris)