Minutes

In Attendance:

Julian Allen  Richard Clement  Mourad Dakhli  Solomon Fesseha
Krista Graham  Tracy Adkins  Elizabeth Lopez  Kari Miller
Usra Mohamed  Phil Ventimiglia  Gabriela Vergas  Irene Weber
Michael Weeks  Jonathan Lochany*  Anthony Bush*  T Mirus*
B Calandra*  K Sums*  D Floyd*  K Hsieh*
K Nideringhaus*  Chris Goode, Chair

*Participated via WebEx

CALLED TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were amended to correct the spelling Usra Mohamed’s name, the attendance via WebEx of Gabriela Vergas, and the attendance of Tanika Lester. Anthony Bush wanted to add that a search is ongoing at Perimeter for a tech officer to lead the Tech Fee Committee there. The amended minutes were approved.

IIT MONTHLY REPORT

Phil Ventimiglia gave a report of current projects and accomplishments of IIT:

- The new wireless domains GSU and GSU-guest are up and running at the Downtown and Perimeter campuses.

- The Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning will hold an open house this Friday, September 9, from 10AM-2PM.

Guests using GSU-guest will need to provide an employee’s e-mail address; that employee will receive a confirmation e-mail.
MANDATE FUND DESCRIPTION

Julian Allen provided a description of the Mandate Fund. Although the ISAT committee does not review or approve items funded by the Mandate Fund, members should make their constituents aware of how it works, particularly as it bears on Tech Fee proposals for software licenses and other items that may be redundant to those funded by the Mandate Fund.

The Mandate Fund was designed to maintain license and other fees related to technology delivered to students on a recurring basis. It was designed to prevent lapses in licenses that are regularly used or required.

The chief expenses are university site licenses, printer fees, and lab support (staffing). In the last fiscal year $1.5M was expended through the Mandate Fund: lab support, $488k, Panther Print, $103.5k, and university site licenses, ~$1M.

The Perimeter College Tech Fund is managed separately, and discussions are ongoing as to the best way to combine site licenses where feasible. Fifty-one site licenses are currently supported using the Mandate Fund, some unique to the Atlanta Campus, some to Perimeter, and some shared by both.

Tracy Atkins monitors usage of these licenses, and seeks advice from faculty (and presumably students) regarding changes.

Julian then described the IIT Fund, which is reviewed by a committee that includes students. An IIT subcommittee approves this fund along with the Innovation Fund. As colleges rearrange (see below), if more funding is needed, it comes from the Mandate or IIT funds.

Julian explained that some of the site licenses covered by the Mandate Fund provide a limited number of installations, or a limited number of simultaneous users. Some licenses cover installation on GSU computers only, while some cover personal installs.

He will send to the committee a spreadsheet detailing what licenses are funded by the Mandate Fund.

TECH FEE APPORTIONMENT FOR COLLEGE OF ARTS

Chris Goode explained that as the College of Arts separates from the College of Arts and Sciences, the Deans, Wade Weast, and Sara Rosen, will come to an agreement about the proportion of the student Tech Fee will move to the new college.

Although the ISAT Committee will not participate directly in these negotiations, the deans may appreciate a recommendation, particularly because they are both new to the Tech Fee process.
Phil suggested they might consider head counts, but because Art and Design, Music, and Film technologies are typically more expensive to fund, a study of past funding might provide a better guide.

The ISAT Committee will review past funding to these departments, and discuss communicating a recommendation to the deans.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Chris asked committee members for any questions or concerns.

A question was asked about whether Perimeter students pay tech fee rates that are different than those at the Downtown campus – the rate is different.

We briefly discussed how many students have their own device, and would be willing to use it on campus.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Goode