Minutes

In Attendance:

Matthew Adjin-Tettey  Brendan Calandra  Krista Graham  Robert Maxwell  James Williams
Saadh Ahmed  Yu-Ping Chen  Mark Graves  Ewa McGrail  Yongsheng Xu
Fabien Baron  Charlette Deloach  Glenn Harrison  Sean Richey  
A. Faye Borthick  Denise Floyd  Xiaochun He  Nancy Jo Schafer  
Amy Bruni  Angus Galloway  Kevin Hsieh  Phil Ventimiglia  
Allison Calhoun-Brown  Chris Goode  Susan Laury  Michael Weeks  

CALLED TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of October 8, 2020, as presented.

IIT MONTHLY REPORT

Phil Ventimiglia reported the following:

• Tech support has been going well and has been quiet, considering the move to more of a digital learning pedagogy.

• Cybersecurity continues to be a big focus for the IIT department given the move to digital learning:
  o About two or three weeks ago the university system was hit with a Volumetric DDOS (Denial of service attack) attack. This was able to happen due to a rogue server on the network. The network is flooded with bad traffic and it makes it difficult for authorized users to access the sites they need.
  o DUO Multi-Factor has been extended to all single sign-on services. This includes iCollege, GoSolar, and PAWS. Once you sign on you have the option to allow DUO to remember your device for 30 days. Every 30 days, the user will have to reauthorize the device.
A university system mandate has gone out that will remove a user’s admin privileges from all university provided devices. This is a safety precaution to prevent malware from gaining access to the university system. This is not an immediate change, but a project that will be taking place over the next couple of months. Users will still have the ability to download certain programs and software. Other programs and software will have to be downloaded from the GSU software center or will require assistance from the Help Desk. Again, this is not an immediate change and more information is forthcoming.

**REVIEW OF STUDENT TECH FEE PROPOSAL PROCESS**

Amy Bruni, the Tech Fee Coordinator/Administrator, presented an overview for new members who have not participated in the Tech Fee proposal process. She reviewed the process and deadline dates, which are located on the Tech Fee website (www.gsu.edu/techfee).

The university is currently in FY2021, and the tech fee awards have already been sent to the various academic and administrative units. The upcoming Tech Fee Proposal Process will be reviewing awards for FY2022.

- The proposal process began on November 2, 2020. Units were able to begin uploading their proposals. The deadline for uploading a proposal is February 5, 2021. After the deadline, the submitted proposals go through a clean-up process (February 8-12, 2021).
- Starting February 15, 2021 until March 5, 2021, Unit Coordinators and Departmental Committees review and vote on the submitted proposals. The departmental voting committees are made up of students, faculty, and staff. Once voting is completed by the committees, IIT and DCS review those approved proposals. Departmental committees have an opportunity to make any necessary changes.
- Proposals are then submitted to the Senate Committee for review. Proposal are presented during the April Senate meeting. Approved proposals move on to FACP and then to the President’s Office. Senate IIT creates the necessary budgets and the awardees are notified.

**MANDATORY STUDENT FEES COMMITTEE UPDATE**

The Student Fees Committee has voted to keep the mandatory student fees, including the technology fee, at the same levels as the previous year.

- For the Atlanta campus the technology fee is $85, or around 12% of the overall student fees.
- For the Perimeter campus the technology fee is $50, or about 9.26% of the overall student fees.

Hopefully, there will be a more in-depth discussion about changes to the mandatory student fees, especially regarding the technology fee, once new leadership is in place.
DESIGNEE REQUEST FOR NEXT SENATE MEETING

Dr. Goode requested a designee for the next Senate meeting, as he will be teaching synchronously. The designee will summarize the business of the committee since the last full Senate meeting.

Outcome: Robert Maxwell agreed to stand in for Dr. Goode during the next Senate meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Carroll