

Western Washington University
Associated Students/Information Technology
Student Technology Fee (STF) Committee Meeting

Friday, February 6, 2015 HH 122

Committee Members Present: Jaleesa Smiley (AS VP for Academic Affairs and Chair), John Lawson (Vice Provost for Information Technology/CIO), Patrick Eckroth (student at-large), Josie Ellison (student at-large), Cristina de Almeida (faculty senate at-large representative), Chris Sandvig (faculty representative from Academic Technology Committee), Diane Bateman (committee staff)

Absent: [one student at-large vacancy]

Advisor(s): N/A

Guest(s): N/A

MOTIONS

STF-15-W-01 The Student Technology Fee will fund classroom computer replacement this year, using a portion of the computer lab allocation of the fee. Specifically, up to \$30,000 of the STF 2015 fee earmarked for computer labs will be used to replace the oldest classroom computers. *Passed*

Jaleesa Smiley, AS VP for Academic Affairs, called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m.

I. REVISION TO THE AGENDA

A. Request to Fund Classroom Computers with Computer Lab Funds

Lawson requested that the Committee use a portion of the Student Tech Fee earmarked for computer labs to instead replace classroom computers at podiums. Some of these computers are five or six years old. Since two small computer labs have been discontinued recently, he asked for some ongoing funding from the earmark for computer labs. At this point, the request is just for computer replacement, not projectors. The plan is to replace the classroom computers on a rolling four-year cycle, replacing approximately 20 to 25 computers each year.

Historically, classroom computers have had unstable funding; the IT budget is heavy in salaries, not equipment.

Comments in favor: Students actually do use the podiums/carts, often when practicing presentations, so funding from the Student Tech Fee is allowable.

Comments against: Student should not have to pay for infrastructure. And if the Student Tech Fee starts paying for these computers, the university might not pay for them in later years.

See “Action Items” below for result.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – none (first meeting)

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

Smiley reviewed the STF Proposal Guidelines document (attachment) that was distributed with the agenda to inform discussion of the abstracts.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Abstract Review Process

The Committee decided on a simple process for reviewing the abstracts:

1. Choose abstracts because they have merit based on the criteria stated in the abstract proposal form, not based on the amount of funding requested.
2. At the end of each meeting, determine an interim priority for each abstract reviewed. Use High/Medium/Low labels.

B. Abstract Review

The Committee reviewed the first set of proposal abstracts listed below. (A separate “Comments and Questions” document captures the discussion.)

1. Online Video Distribution for Students
2. Introducing 4K Video Cameras and Editing Equipment to WWU Students
3. Loan Pool Projection Upgrade
4. 21st Century Fiber and Beyond
5. PAC Concert Hall Live Streaming
6. Time-Based and Photo-Interdisciplinary Art Tools
7. Strength Measurement in the Health Sciences
8. Enhance Student Experience and Understanding of Neurophysiology and Behavior
9. Training Students in the Use of Mobile Technology for Communication Enhancement in Communication Disorders
10. Humanities Majors – Seminar Room Workstation

V. ACTION ITEMS

MOTION STF-15-W-01 by Lawson, amended by Eckroth

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Second: Eckroth Vote: 4-1-1 Action: Passed

VI. OTHER BUSINESS – none

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:33 a.m.