

Date: February 12, 2013
To: Classroom Review Board
From: Rusty Scott
Re: Minutes of February 12, 2013

Members present: Jack Brouillette, Kristi Buffington, Pat Burns, Stephanie Clemons, Debi Colbert, C.W. Miller, Julia Murphy, Andrew Olson, Al Powell, Doug Satterfield, Rusty Scott, and Jon Sorkin

Members absent: Dave Carpenter and Steve Hultin

Guests present: Ed Peyronnin, College of Agricultural Sciences, delegate for Dave Carpenter, Perdeep Badhessa, Deputy Director University Affairs ASCSU, and Lauren Moser, Navigator's Student group.

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from December 10, 2012, were unanimously approved with a spelling correction of Jon Sorkin's name.

2. Student Organization feedback regarding GA room guidelines – J. Murphy

Perdeep (Deep) Badhessa and Lauren Moser spoke to the committee about the updated guidelines related to the usage of GA classrooms which were approved at the October 8, 2012 meeting. Among the changes were new guidelines related to the use of amplified music and audio technology in the classrooms. Lauren brought up that amplified music is an integral part of some student organizations worship activities. P. Burns explained that the new guidelines were adopted to minimize disruption to the teaching and learning environment-and not limited to amplified music but also damage and reconfiguring of audio equipment and rearranged seating causing delays to classes starting. Deep and Lauren were asked to speak to a group of representatives from other student organizations and come up with suggestions for addressing these issues and then come back to a future committee meeting.

3. Room Scheduling software update – P. Burns and J. Murphy

P. Burns reported that the EMS software solution for room scheduling was presented as part of the Budget Hearings and to the Council of Deans and believes it is highly likely that the initiative will be approved. It has been recommended that the CRB be the entity responsible for providing oversight for the operational aspects of the system. Initially, the system would be used as a discovery tool to gather accurate use data for GA and departmental classrooms. J. Murphy reported that she is working with Procurement to determine how much the University has already spent on the software as it is currently being used by the Lory Student Center, the Recreation Center, and Vet Med. She is also working with Procurement to develop language for a possible sole source justification purchase.

4. 99 Person Flipped Classroom (11 stations x 9 persons/station) – P. Burns

One aspect to 'flipping' classrooms is to include recitation and lecture in the same instruction period. This particular model outlines a 99 person facility (11 stations with 9 students at each station). After an instructor completes the lecture portion of a class, students can break up into 9 person cohorts to discuss a topic/problem or work on a question posed by the instructor. This is similar to the active problem-based learning proposal approved for the Department of Physics at the November 12, 2012 meeting. Burns will continue to work with the Council of Deans to identify potential rooms to pilot the project.

5. Engineering II GA Classroom – J. Murphy

J. Murphy asked for clarification related to the availability of the three GA classrooms in Engineering II. The new building will have a 150-seat lecture hall, a 60-seat classroom and a 20-seat classroom. K. Buffington reported for S. Hultin that the rooms would be ready for Fall 2013.

6. Web Conferencing update – A. Powell and D. Colbert

A. Powell reported that OnlinePlus has used Adobe Connect and recently purchased licenses for Blackboard Collaborate for Web Conferencing. D. Colbert (TILT) has been exploring the use of Blackboard Collaborate and is setting up training sessions. The Adobe product is approximately 1/3 of the cost of Collaborate. Powell and Colbert will continue the analysis of the two solutions and report back to the board.

7. Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) response systems – R. Scott

Response systems using personal mobile devices are emerging in the marketplace. Many vendors are contacting faculty and departments on campus offering demonstrations. The committee discussed these products during the May 14, 2012, meeting and decided to take an observatory role. Scott asked if the committee felt we needed to form task force for further exploration. Topic tabled until a later date.

8. VoIP services in GA Classrooms – D. Satterfield/R. Scott

The first VoIP phone has been installed in a classroom, Pathology 101. The phone can dial Classroom Support Services, 911 for emergency assistance, and a bridge number for teleconferencing. J. Murphy will work with Scott when she has requests for conferencing phones in classrooms.

9. Next meeting – Tuesday, March 12, 2013, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Lory Student Center, Room 205.