ITEC Advisory Council Meeting
Friday, December 17, 2010; 1-4 PM
202 Weber Building
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Attendees: Don Albrecht (Libraries/ACNS), Scott Baily (ACNS), Joy Bauder (Extension for Willson), Jerry Becker (EA for Seng), Ty Boyack (WCNR for McGee), Mike Brake (CASA), Dave Carpenter (CAHS), Larry Cobb (CVMBS), James Cox (CNS), Bob Engmark (IS), Mike Giebler (BFS), Leslie Hilbert (Ext. Relations), Laura Jensen (IR), Neal Lujan (Student Affairs), Ed Peyronnin (CAS), Michael Schoenly (DCE for Fritts), Jon Schroth (COB), Rusty Scott (ACNS).

1. Introductions, including new directors of IR (Laura Jensen) and IS (Bob Engmark).
2. Additions or modifications to this agenda – none.
3. Central administrative systems updates:
    a. Kuali Financial System – Engmark for Fluharty
        i. Cash reversion process presented to CAAG this week.
        ii. Working with VTH on uploads into KFS.
        iii. Planning for KFS 4.0 has begun (required for Coeus integration); working with rSmart to merge with their enhancements; projected production timeline June 2011.
        iv. Travel system will be released in January, 2011 for KFS release 3; version for KFS 4.0 will be available in March 2011. CSU has yet to establish an implementation schedule.
        v. Budget Construction module phase 2 is going well, with a focus on understanding the delivered reports and custom local requirements; 3-4 reports are being developed for general campus use.
        vi. BFS staff recently gave a presentation to the University of AZ on SALX (salary exercise module).
    b. Kuali Coeus – Burns for Splittgerber
        i. Progress continues but still in development; modules will be released one at a time. First production modules are expected in FY 12.
    c. ARIES update – Becker for Seng
        i. Waiting for Sungard to release ODS 8.3 (probably March, 2011).
    d. HR update – Burns for Domanik
        i. Phase 2 of self service functionality planned which will allow changes to be made.
    e. BDMS pilot project – Engmark
        i. Three implementations in progress:
            1. Graduate School (program of study workflow); pilot in civil engineering business MBA program; targeting production for summer 2011.

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Office of International Programs for document storage and cataloging applications; targeting production for summer 2011.
Information systems for data access requests; approvals will use workflow and will pilot using ODS access requests; targeting production for January, 2011.

    ii. BDMS was upgraded in November, 2010 which improved security and supports distributed management.

    iii. Burns mentioned that BDMS may be used in the future as a records retention system for campus.

  f. IR – Jensen

    i. Current retention report has been published.

    ii. Recently consolidated a DBA position with Information Systems as a budget savings measure.

4. IT Consolidation Study – Burns, Peyronnin, Scott

  a. After the initial week of interviews with Adams-Gabbert, and taking into consideration much input from the campus, it was determined that the consultant was a poor match for the campus and has been released. The project committee will meet on Dec. 20 to discuss next steps including how/if to engage another vendor in the process.

  b. Burns met with the Provost today and has been directed to identify for discussion consolidation efforts that will result in savings for FY12. Burns suggested that the IAC members voluntarily consult with their constituents to identify services in their environments that could be consolidated to realize savings for both distributed and central IT in the next fiscal year. The Provost will charge a committee to provide focus for the effort.

5. CITAC report – Peyronnin

  a. Discussion topics include; IT consolidation/efficiencies; ubiquitous student printing across campus (using PaperCut) ; help desk synergies throughout the campus; College of Engineering thin clients providing child domains logons which provides access to resources in other Colleges; bulk purchase discussions with Dell (currently involving WCNR, CVMBS, CAHS).

6. Communications Infrastructure Committee report – Baily

  a. See attached.

7. Information items

  a. LMS recommendation from the FCCoT&L – Scott

    i. RamCT concurrent usage graph was displayed; see attached.

    ii. Faculty Council Committee on Teaching and Learning has recommended Blackboard Learn as the next generation LMS for campus.

    iii. Efforts now are to 'operationalize' the recommendation taking into consideration possible economies with CSU-Pueblo (a Blackboard Learn customer) and the possibility of outsourcing the operation of the IT components to Blackboard.

        iv. Current roadmap for campus includes a spring 2012 pilot and summer of 2012 full production target.

8. Cray xt6m HPC – Burns
   a. System scheduled for installation on December 20 and includes 1,248 cores and a high speed interconnect.
   b. Graduate course 511 will use the system in spring 2011; open to all disciplines and will focus on high performance and parallel computing.
   c. An allocations committee will soon be formed to oversee resource management issues.
   d. Any questions or those interested parties should contact Burns.
9. Shared Services Committee, NSF MRI proposal – Burns
   a. Meetings have been held since May, 2010.
   b. A service has been identified as a candidate for sharing across systems (Libraries Digital Repository).
   c. CSU, Colorado School of Mines and the University of Wyoming are submitting a proposal to the NSF (due in late January) for developing more efficient replication of data across geographically separated systems.
10. Hardware and software standards – Baily
   a. The University Technology Committee (UTC), which was charged with periodically reviewing and updating hardware and software standards, is no longer in existence. Baily proposed that an IAC subcommittee be formed to continue this effort. The newly formed advisory groups (see below) will provide input for their particular areas.
11. Advisory Groups (Mac, Unix/linux, Windows)
   a. Three new advisory groups were officially formed or reconstituted this past week to formalize the support for these platforms and provide IT staff the opportunity to share resources, solutions and strategies.
   b. Agendas and minutes are available on the IAC website.
12. UTFAB proposals – Burns
   a. Some FY11 funds remain after funding the approved projects, so the UTFAB is soliciting technology-based proposals from the campus for funding during the FY11 year.
13. UFFAB activities – Burns
   a. $8M has been dedicated to renovating classrooms with the University adding an additional $2M. Upgrades include physical components (chairs, flooring, wall coverings, etc.) as well as technology aspects. Proposals are being sought for directing left over funds for this project.
14. The meeting adjourned at 1:52pm.