

**University Technology Committee
Minutes – 11 December 2007**

1. Assessment (Tabled until January)

2. Budget Update (Lee)

Lee is in the final stages of determining the strategic budget for technology. He reported the following items:

Mandatory items (\$136 000 mandatory increase)

Non-mandatory items (\$1 700 000 requests—new positions)

- New network administrator (University has grown from 3000 ports to 8000 ports)
- Database administrator for a SQL database environment (to replace the proprietary IBM database) to enable better information access across different departments
- Instructional tech support specialists (2) Blackboard system needs more support. Heavily used. More and more people are doing assessments inside of Blackboard. Other assessment tools, including a scantron environment.

Lee stated that the highest priority need was to double Internet bandwidth from 50 to 100 MG. Last year we used excess bandwidth through a provisional agreement with the Internet Service Provider. Pacific's typical use pattern this year was in the low 70's , spiking to 87 at times.

Classroom capture environment (Integrity)

Continued voice over IP enhancements. Wiring expenses.

NOTE: The computer replacement cycle funded in the mandatory items of the budget.

Strategic initiative items:

- Increased storage for university operations
 - More storage needed (Bboard projects, email, student projects)
 - University Technology Committee needs to be involved in discussions about storage needs on campus and priorities
- Comprehensive administrative system (\$115 000) includes online registration. Changes in Datatel—they are moving to SQL as well
- Improving university classrooms (\$147 000)
Priorities—upgrade some of the rooms that have not yet been upgraded. This includes classrooms in the PAC and perhaps the Carnegie classrooms (renovation or replacement--unclear at present).
- Electronics for the Lincoln Park athletic complex (\$48 000)
Phone lines and Internet access in the press box, for example. The wiring is there...What is needed is the electronics like servers and routers. Extend BoxerWireless
- Carnegie Hall upgrades for its renovation (\$90 000)

Questions were asked about the timeline for these budget decisions. Lee stated that lists to would be given to the Deans in January with final decisions made by April.

4. Google/BoxerApps

(see Boxer.apps.pdf document for recommendations prepared by Mark Truax.

After discussion, the recommendation that all students must register for a BoxerMail account for their email, moving their email account to Boxer Apps by December 15, 2007, was unanimously passed by the UTC.

5. Appropriate Use Document and new IRS requirements

Lee briefly described possible ramifications of the IRS policies regarding employee cell phones and its possible implications for employee laptops. (see <http://www.irs.gov/govt/fslg/article/0,,id=167154,00.html>). Concerns were raised about the impact of an excessively strict interpretation of the IRS requirements.