

## **ACPB Meeting Minutes 13 October 2004**

**Present:** Lembke, McKelvey, Ojala, Reed (chair). **Guests:** none.

### **Approval of Prior Minutes**

There were no minutes of prior meetings to approve, this being the first meeting of the committee this year.

### **Announcements**

- IIT's MacIntosh expert, Tim DuChant, left Saint Olaf to pursue graduate studies at UC-Berkeley. Perrin Bishop-Wright was hired to provide services formerly provided by Tim.
- Over the summer months steps were taken to greatly increase the reliability and availability of the Novell servers on campus.
- At this point all of IIT's servers are stable. The central server `nic` was upgraded this summer and from that point on has experienced some instability. IIT staff believe the problem is now solved.
- In the next several months IIT will be running a new fiber optic line from our campus, to Carleton, and then on to an existing high speed fiber optic junction just east of Northfield. This project will allow us to create a high speed dedicated connection to Carleton and also participate in the Internet 2 project for academic traffic. This connection is projected to come on line in January, 2005.
- Fall computing requests are due on (or before) October 31, 2004, even though it is a Sunday.
- The arrival of personal computers owned by students brought many infected machines to our campus and our network. Early in the term up to 200 student computers were disconnected from the campus network pending cleaning and patching. As of today, 38 students are disconnected. The first time a given student computer is disconnected, the student is offered the tools to perform a cleaning and patching, for free. The second time a given machine is found to be infected, a week long disconnection is enforced. The lengths of disconnection increase with subsequent infections. For students with seriously compromised machines, referral to off campus computer service companies is offered. In the long term, a strategy is being developed to encourage students to clean and patch their machines before they arrive on campus.
- Moodle, the new online course management system, is being used much more broadly than had been anticipated. Additional training sessions for faculty will be scheduled in the next few months.

### **Discussion**

- Presently the IIT Disconnection Policy and PC Security and Virus Protection Policy are two separate documents. Since both policies deal with very similar situations, it was decided we would combine the two into a single policy which will eventually be brought to the ACPB for a formal vote.
- The Wireless Access Point Policy was discussed. No changes were deemed necessary.
- Training sessions for faculty will be moved to late August in an attempt to attract more faculty participation. This move will necessitate some rescheduling of summer IIT projects to free up staff for the training sessions. Summer projects may begin as early as March.

Our next meeting will be Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am in Rolvaag 257.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve McKelvey  
Acting Secretary