

## **Academic Computer Policy Board**

### **Meeting of December 4, 2001**

**Present:** Bob Jacobel, Dolores Peters, Barbara Reed

Roberta was away with a family emergency, so the three listed above met to discuss the computer and classroom technology requests on the spreadsheets Roberta distributed on Monday.

The group had questions for Roberta about the pace of approving requests for classroom technologies relative to other categories of computer hardware. Will there be any opportunity for accelerated progress as buildings become renovated or from other funding sources? We also wondered about the overall budget amounts in each category (office, laboratory and classroom technology) and the percent funding success rate in each.

The group approved the fall computing requests as per the spreadsheets we received and will anticipate further discussions about broader budgeting and policy issues at a future meeting.

We also talked about internet access concerns and the perennial problem of bandwidth. Apart from recent specific problems, we had a collective sense that internet access has become worse during the semester and at times prevents some users from doing their work. The group would like to revisit this issue after statistics on campus use by area and time have been gathered.

Dolores reported that RPC will address items related to revisions of the faculty manual by mid February. It is still not clear what the breakdown will be on content moving to a more legal document versus that which stays in a handbook, but this should be known soon. If the defining language for this committee falls into the former category, revisions will need to be made by that time, otherwise later.

Respectfully Submitted - Bob Jacobel 12/05/01