

Academic Computer Policy Board

Meeting of February 12, 2003

Present: Bjorklund, Lembke, Peters, Andrea Pitkus (observer from UM Preparing Future Faculty Program)

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the meeting of 9 December 2002 had been approved via email prior to this first meeting of Spring Semester.

Announcements

- WebCT at St. Olaf: A number of faculty responded to Roberta's recent email memo on the future of WebCT at the College. Once Roberta receives data from the MITC (Midwest Instructional Technology Consortium) survey on the use of WebCT among Consortium members, she'll solicit further faculty input on IIT's future policy regarding Web-based course management packages.
- Study spaces & security: The new projector replacing one recently stolen has been installed in the Music Department. Evidence suggests that efforts have already been made to dislodge this new projector. Roberta and the Music Department have discussed security policy for the equipment in this heavily used room.
- IIT Expansion project: Temporary expansion of IIT in Rolvaag, a project that has been in the works for the past two years but recently placed on hold, resumes on 17 February. ACPB reviewed the plans, which involve a staged approach to construction in order to preserve security for the Library. The next stage is interior construction. This stage of the project may be completed by 30 May, and will allow five staff members from Media to move into the IIT space.

Electronic Privacy & Access Policies

- Discussion of the topic resumed with an update on the process at the administrative level. Arnie Ostebee's liaison work with the College's legal counsel has resulted in the draft of a policy on intellectual property. The principle underlying this draft policy is: Unless faculty have been asked to do a project for the College, they own the work they produce. Arnie plans to bring the draft policy on intellectual property to the appropriate faculty committee.
- College counsel has not yet reviewed any draft policy on electronic privacy and access. ACPB will continue its work on drafting such a policy, which will subsequently be sent to legal counsel for review.

- Roberta will incorporate the recommendations made by ACPB thus far into a new draft (including a preamble identifying general principles), and distribute it to Board members for their review at next week's meeting. A copy of this draft, reviewed and approved by ACPB, will be referred to both the administration and the faculty for comment.

IIT Priorities & the College's Strategic Plan

- ACPB began the process of updating IIT's statement of priorities for the period 2003-2007. An updated statement should be completed by the end of this academic year.
- IIT is committed to supporting institutional priorities. ACPB identified two areas of specific interest for further discussion: 1) language about technology's role in teaching, learning, and scholarship; and 2) possible IIT contributions to the integration of on- and off-campus learning in International Studies programs.
- Dolores will invite David Schodt (CILA) and David Booth (CIS) to meet with ACPB to discuss responses to the current draft of the Strategic Plan regarding the role of technology in teaching, learning, and scholarship.

ACPB Meeting Times

- For the time being, ACPB will meet on Wednesdays at 3:15.
- Next meeting: 19 February.

Respectfully submitted,
Dolores Peters
ACPB Chair, 2002-03