Engineering Student Technology Committee

Meeting Minutes for October 27, 2004
LMDS Conference Room, 8:00am

Present: Prof. David Alciatore (ME), Bryce Eldridge (ECE), Ryan Fleming, chair (CE), Henrik Forsling (CE), Klaus Hartinger (ECE), Doug Hopper (ME), Derek Johnson (ChemE), Amanda Kaiser (ME), David Miller (ChemE), Prof. David Wang (ChemE)

Absent: David Bryant (ME), Prof. Jeff Collett (Atmos), Mike Floren (ChemE), Kendra Gabbert (CE), Prof. Kevin Lear (ECE), Mark Ritschard (ENS), Russ Schumacher (Atmos), Heidi Shray (ECE), Dr. Tom Siller (Academic Affairs), Luke Van Roekel (Atmos), Civil Engineering faculty (unfilled), Intra-departmental undergraduate (two unfilled)

Review of Meeting Minutes
The minutes of the meeting on October 6th were accepted with some attendance corrections.

University Charges for Technology (UCFT) Committee Briefing
Kaiser updated the committee on the results of the last meeting of the UCFT. One point applicable to the Engineering College is that it was determined that printing charges are not technically classified as technology charges. Other updates include a section that was added to the bylaws about deficit spending. The section basically just says that a college is not allowed to carry over a deficit except for in the summer. Some minor grammatical and spelling changes were also made to the bylaws. An updated copy of the rules is available online, and anyone who wants a copy should talk to Kaiser. There was also some general clarification for the committee about what the different university technology charge committees actually do.

Lab Entry Statistics
This item was tabled until the next meeting, because Mark Ritschard was not present due to an injury.

Update on Bid Proposal Process
The committee has received a few proposals so far, but the final deadline is November 8th. Hopper requested a copy of the letter that was sent to the department heads, and Fleming said that he will email it out to everyone on the committee. Prof. Alciatore suggested that the committee members think of additional ideas to consider in the upcoming proposal review process.

The committee also discussed an idea from last year about putting a roof over the conference room in the Internet Cafe in order to reduce noise. Hopper also brought up the idea
of replacing some of the thin clients in the Internet Cafe with real computers, the reasoning being that some applications like Pro/E run very slowly on the thin clients.

There also was some customary discussion about the clock in the Lockheed Martin Design Studio. Hopper said that he went to the student recreation center to see what their clock situation looked like, and concluded that a smaller clock probably would be visible.

Topics for the Next Meeting

Johnson suggested that the committee discuss the Citrix grad farm at the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: TBD (Either Nov 10th, or Nov 17th)

Submitted by
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