Engineering Student Technology Committee

Meeting Minutes for December 8, 2004
Dean's Conference Room, 8:00am

Present: Prof. David Alciatore (ME), Ryan Fleming, chair (CE), Mike Floren (ChemE), Henrik Forsling (CE), Klaus Hartinger (ECE), Doug Hopper (ME), Amanda Kaiser (ME), David Miller (ChemE), Mark Ritschard (ENS), Heidi Shray (ECE)

Absent: David Bryant (ME), Bryce Eldridge (ECE), Prof. Kevin Lear (ECE), Luke Van Roekel (Atmos), Derek Johnson (ChemE), Russ Schumacher (Atmos), Prof. Jeff Collett (Atmos), Elizabeth Lipp (intra), Prof. David Wang (ChemE), Kendra Gabbert (CE), Dr. Tom Siller (Academic Affairs), Civil Engineering faculty (unfilled), Intra-departmental undergraduate (two unfilled)

Proposals

Per the previous meeting, the following proposals were discussed in detail. Each proposal was acted on as described.

- EE404 Laboratory Upgrade
  The committee changed the funding on this proposal to an even $7,000, if approved. The committee also agreed that only standard lab computers from ENS will be approved for this proposal. It was moved by Kaiser and seconded by Alciatore that the proposal be funded. The motion carried with 1 opposed and 1 abstention.

- RAMLab Equipment: $7,600
  A motion was made by Alciatore and seconded by Kaiser that the proposal be funded. The motion carried with 2 opposed and 1 abstention.

- RAMLab Proposal site license: $4,700
  A motion was made by Alciatore and seconded by Ritschard that the proposal not be funded. The motion carried unanimously.

- SmartBoards for GIS lab, Internet Cafe, and Electronic Classroom: $1800 each
  The committee tabled a vote on this proposal until next semester.

- Sound system for Internet Cafe: $1,500
  A motion was made by Hopper and seconded by Fleming that the proposal not be funded. The motion carried unanimously.

- Offer to fund equipment (6 computers, 6 monitors, a projector, and a SmartBoard) for an eighth studio in the Lockheed Martin Design Studio (LMDS) as part of the ESTC Computer Equipment Replacement budget: $16,400 (approximately $4K every year). If approved, the offer will be communicated to the LMDS faculty team with the request that they fund the $10,000 needed to
purchase partitions, a conference table, chairs, white boards, and computer tables. A motion was made by Kaiser and seconded by Hartinger that the offer be funded. The motion carried unanimously. Ritschard will take the offer to the LMDS faculty team.

Future Agenda Items:
   Scholarship Criteria
   Microsoft Office in the Internet Cafe
   The Graduate Citrix Farm
   PhotoShop and Dreamweaver in the labs
   Possible CFT manual changes
   Virtual Lab use by Faculty
   Use statistics for ESTC funded computer labs

Next Meeting: Next semester, time and place to be determined

Submitted by
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