



MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHERN

Committee Name:	<i>Technology Council</i>		
Date of Meeting:	<i>02-Mar-2017</i>	Location:	<i>Library Conference room</i>
Meeting Notes Prepared By:	<i>Marianne Hoppe</i>		
Membership:	<i>2 Faculty; 1 student; 1 representative each from: classified staff, classified exempt staff, Library, Registrar, Extended University, Business Services; Provost; Chief Information Officer.</i>		

1. Purpose of Meeting

Disperse information on campus technology topics, and get input and recommendations on a number of issues.

2. Attendance at Meeting

Bill Rugg, Alisha Schroeder, Thomas Welch, Belinda Potter, Steven Turville, Gary Garland, Marianne Hoppe

3. Meeting Agenda

Agenda:

- a) Approval of minutes
- b) Old Business:
 - i. Labs & Classrooms
 - ii. College Scheduler
 - iii. Box
 - iv. Security Training for Staff and Faculty
 - v. CEASN request for SPSS statistical software
- c) New Business:
 - i. Computer Fee Advisory Committee (CFAC) membership
 - ii. IT meeting @ MSU-Billings
 - iii. Miscellaneous ITS updates
 - iv. Council member roundtable
- d) Date for next meeting
- e) Adjournment

4. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

- a. The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

b. Old Business

- i. Labs & Classrooms discussion.



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- Tom Welch reported on his positive experience with the NetOp Vision Pro software that has been installed in the labs.
- As part of the council's recommendation from previous meeting that no additional labs requiring the purchase of computers should be allowed, ITS was to provide a lab usage report to the committee. A preliminary report for Fall 2016 lab usage was shown to the council.
- **ACTION ITEM:** ITS will make refinements to the report and present findings at the next meeting
- ii. College Scheduler discussion.
 - The program would show advisors and students all possible schedule iterations for classes they enter, and is integrated with Banner and DegreeWorks.
 - CIO was unable to obtain pricing from MSU-Bozeman.
 - The MSU-Bozeman CIO has stated he will get this information for us.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** CIO will periodically check in with the MSU-Bozeman CIO as to the status of this item.
- iii. Box discussion.
 - Box is a cloud service allows users to share and collaborate on documents and files online with users both inside and outside the organization.
 - The council's recommendation from the previous meeting was that MSU-Northern should not buy into the service due to the price point and lack of an identified funding source.
 - MSU-Bozeman's new licensing agreement allows them to give us access. MSU-Northern and GFC MSU will both be given accounts for all students, faculty, and staff *at no cost*. The portal will have MSU-Bozeman branding.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** CIO will periodically check in with the MSU-Bozeman CIO as to the status of this item.
- iv. Security Training for Staff and Faculty discussion.
 - Risk Management informed us we cannot participate in the premium discount program unless we are able to document that 50% of employees have completed training.
 - At the previous council meeting Extended University declined to host the training on D2L
 - **ACTION ITEM:** ITS will reach out to MSU-Bozeman to find out if their SANS training modules are still available to us and what alternative delivery methods are available.
- v. CEASN request for SPSS statistical software.
 - At the previous council meeting ITS agreed to pay for a 5 license package, as a one-time, one year purchase. If the College wishes to continue to use the software another funding source will need to be found.



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- The purchase has been initiated, however the vendor is located outside the US and there have been issues with the transaction.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** CIO will continue to work through the issues to get the licenses & software.
- c. **New Business**
- i. Computer Fee Advisory Committee (CFAC) membership discussion
 - The council decided to keep the faculty and administrative portion of the committee membership the same as last year.
 - Any purchases over \$25K need to be approved by the Board of Regents at their May meeting.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** CIO will call for a CFAC meeting in March to decide on expenditures.
 - ii. IT Policies and Procedures
 - There are a number of BOR/MSU Enterprise policies that MSU-Northern need to have procedures for.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** CIO will work on the required procedures.
 - iii. IT Meeting @ MSU-Billings (informational item)
 - CIO attended a meeting in Billings with IT representatives from all four MSU campuses.
 - Banner 9 (aka Banner XE) upgrade. Reasons for upgrade: There will be no more Banner upgrades; Banner 8 is end-of-life as of December 2018. XE will be mobile friendly. 3 phases of implementation: 1) Single Sign On for Banner INF will need to be in place before upgrade can proceed, 2) Transformation of current forms to new format – all web based, no java. 3) four campus decisions on which, if any, new features should be enabled. Implementing new features may require business process changes.
 - Data stewardship. This relates to c ii above.
 - Network collaboration. MSU-Bozeman is going to develop a Request for Information (RFI) for connectivity options for all campuses and remote locations. The MSU-Bozeman CIO feels the MSU system is not tied to, and has no obligation to stay with, the state's SummitNet network.
 - Shared Services. Efficiency/economy of scale. The four campus IT units already to a lot of this. Agreed to share any major hardware or software purchase plans (over \$10K).
 - D2L. MSU-Bozeman will share current unlicensed module intel with the four campuses & facilitate a conversation between campuses on any potential interest in the new modules.
 - iv. Miscellaneous ITS updates (informational item)
 - Campus web server. The MSUN web server hardware has been upgraded and all services are now running on the new platform.
 - CMS training. 18 individuals participated in training at the start of January. Only 4 have logged in since and updated information.



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- Network attached storage. The storage unit for Rigel which contains Z and departmental drives will be replaced, increasing available storage.
- Core network hardware upgrades. Equipment upgrades will be done that will then allow for some network enhancements.

6. Next Meeting

Date: TBA

Mid to late April 2017