February 10th, 2014—Senate Technology Meeting Minutes


1) Digital Signage Sub-Committee update
   a) Best Practices
      i) Follow up with and select from other campus policies to form recommendation
      ii) UW-LaCrosse example & guidelines

2) Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Discussion
   a) Other university campus policies
      i) ITC is considering tablets
      ii) Southern IL gave all freshmen tablets with software
         (1) Midterm grades went up one full grade point
         (2) Increased rate of application for admission
   b) Plan to refresh a lab in conjunction with BYOD
   c) Role of classroom policy and influence of powerful BYOD policy
   d) Technology is major selling point for incoming freshmen
   e) Communicate with colleagues regarding attitude toward BYOD
   f) Offer a fully compatible item for sale in bookstore to students
   g) Challenges to BYOD policy:
      i) Compatibility issues in Centennial with different kinds of laptops & tablets
      ii) Faculty must be provided with the same technology as their students in order to engage and inform
      iii) Would troubleshooting consume a lot of time in the classroom with a BYOD policy?
      iv) Are there sufficient outlets for multiple laptops?
      v) Voucher system to provide for the cost of one tablet?

3) IS 460: Internal Cloud of Services for students
   a) Platform independent
   b) Looking at 2014-15 services currently
   c) Good item to tie in to marketing for campus

4) Responsive design for University Website underway

5) E-books in class: easy to carry, access, alter, search, interact, etc.
   a) UW-Stout will require only e-books by 2015

6) QR codes with each room to show class schedules, teacher contact info, etc.

7) Data center on 3rd floor of Centennial will be ready by beginning of summer

8) For next meeting
   a) Brainstorm services we want to see offered in the Cloud
   b) Discuss advantages and disadvantages to BYOD policy
   c) Research solutions to providing more outlets and power in buildings
   d) Resolution to support BYOD
   e) Be more public about advocating for technology advancement and resources on campus, and packaging a message to market

Next meeting: March 10th, 2014