# University of Washington Faculty Council on Educational Technology

Thursday, April 19, 2007 26 Gerberding Hall

Chair Kaminsky called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

# **Meeting Synopsis**

- 1. Approve Agenda
- 2. Approve Minutes
- 3. Chair's Announcements
- 4. Open Announcements
- 5. Committee Discussion of the following topics:
  - a. Live Webcams on Campus
  - b. Educational Technology on Campus & Beyond
  - c. Copyright & Webpages
- 6. News from Catalyst, Libraries, etc.
- 7. Open Announcements
- 8. New Business
  - a. appointing subcommittees for discussion topics (5a, 5b & 5c)
- 1. Agenda Approved
- 2. January 29, 2007 Minutes Approved, Deferred from Last Meeting

March 12, 2007 Minutes - Approved

## 3. Chair's Announcements

- Senate Executive Meeting, April 9, 2007
  - Secretary of the Senate acknowledged great work done by council.
  - Kaminsky gave a five-minute presentation. During his presentation, Kaminsky underscored opportunity for UW to be of scholarly excellence. The topic will be revisited at the next Senate Executive Meeting, and will be on the next Senate Agenda.
  - Concerns are raised by the council about the scope of the project, and need for assistance in implementing, which Kaminsky will emphasize to the Senate. Kaminsky also notes that Turnitin.com is not exclusively identified as a vendor, but their free trial is mentioned.
  - Next Steps: Proposal will move forward to the budgeting committee. There is an approximate cost of \$30,000 associated with the project, once the free trial expires (approximate \$1,000 fixed license fee, plus \$0.75 per student, per year usage fee).

#### 4. No Open Announcements

#### 5. Committee Discussions

- a. Live Webcams on Campus
  - Kaminsky provides a brief review of the documents and discussion from the March 12 FCET meeting, highlighting that these guidelines would apply to those persons wishing to operate webcams under the UW name.
  - It is noted by the council that this topic may be of more importance, in light of the recent incidents on both the UW and Virginia Tech campuses, illustrating both the usefulness and potential concerns of webcam usage.

- Moy suggests that Kaminsky follow-up with the Attorney General's Office, to discuss the UW's liability (and willingness to assume future liability), as well as issues regarding streaming media vs. recorded media, and records retention.
- Kaminsky will head-up a subcommittee, and follow-up with the AG's Office.

# b. Educational Technology on Campus and Beyond

 Kaminsky notes that a subcommittee should be constructed to gather information, review what technologies are currently missing from campus and note any areas of improvement.

## c. Copyright and Webpages

- Kaminsky compares a trend in internet usage to the "Wild, Wild West," meaning it is useful, but very prone to abuse, and copyright misuse.
- For UW community members looking to build a website, Kaminsky notes that a set of recommendations for style, and specifically usage of copyrighted material would be helpful, perhaps attached to some of the tools already in place on Catalyst.
- Moy states that we have some copyright experts on campus, and also notes that the DMCA (Digital Millennium Copyright Act) has an agent on campus, Cheryl Cameron, and that a current process is in place for handling complaints and violations. Moy is also on DMCA committee, and shares that 3-4 complaints per year are received, comprised mostly of peer-to-peer file-sharing violations.
- Kanal notes particular interest in topics, such as course materials and more routine documents and site information, which may not be covered by current Tech Transfer processes/policies.

# 6. News from Catalyst, Libraries, etc. - None

#### 7. New Business

- a. Subcommittees are appointed as follows:
  - Webcams led by Kaminsky
  - Educational Technology led by Moy; Moy to follow-up with Catalyst and Research contacts
  - Copyrights led by Kanal; Moy to send UW copyright contact information and URL's to Kanal for follow-up

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m. *Minutes by Alyssa Robbins, Administrative Assistant, Computing & Communications.* 

Present: Faculty members: Berger, Conroy, Kaminsky, Kanal, Miller

Ex-officio members: Minton President's designee: Moy

**Absent**: Faculty members: Leggott

ASUW Representative: L. Lane Ex-officio members: Ward Guests: C. Lane, Lewis