University of Washington
Faculty Council on Educational Technology
Monday, March 13, 2006
142 Gerberding Hall

Kanal, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Meeting Synopsis:
1. Approve Agenda
2. Approve minutes
3. Chair's Announcements
4. Open Announcements
5. Committee updates for the following issues:
    a. Plagiarism – logistics of Turnitin representative visit.
    b. Interview by Shawn Brixey for IS Task Force
6. New Business

1. The agenda was approved.

2. The minutes from February 13 were approved.

3. Chair's announcements: None

4. Open Announcements: None

5. Committee Updates.

- IS Task Force Interview:
    o What should be the attributes of excellent information systems at the UW?
        - Allow instructors to work at home. Enable staff to have free, fast and convenient access to information systems including library information to work on research from a remote location.
        - Have one campus-wide system that would be compatible with all UW systems.
        - Have a more flexible system for different and multiple roles of staff.
        - Develop a system that has no barriers and solves storage space issues.
        - Have a system that makes it easier to publish contents such as Library resources.
        - We need to be proactive in developing information systems. We need policies to understand the role and take ownership.
        - Need a system that allows feedback on the reporting system for faculty.
        - We need a system that can eliminate all the paper trails when submitting proposals. We need to be able to use electronic versions.

- What are the strengths and weaknesses of the current UW Information systems?
  - We need a user based design for reusing information.
  - A strength is that we can check e-mail anywhere from MyUW which is a nice web-based service for faculty and staff.
  - A weakness is that we cannot easily put videos on web pages because of the lack of storage space.
  - E-mail responses to Shawn Brixey. He will send a draft of the interview answers.

- Plagiarism update:
  - Berger asked the questions: Should we invite Turnitin to the UW for a demonstration? Are we serious about signing up for their service? Are the other faculty councils agreeing or approving to this strategy?
  - FCET members discussed all options and agreed to invite representatives from Turnitin to the next Faculty Council meeting on April 17.
  - Kanal will send an e-mail to all councils for their responses. She will also contact Gus Kravas who deals with honesty issues. Mart will contact the student association. Kanal and Berger will arrange for the meeting.
  - Members were asked to send Berger a list of questions about their plagiarism service. He will forward these to the Turnitin representatives.
  - After the visit from Turnitin, the FCET members will make a recommendation to the Faculty Senate.
  - There are many steps before this software would be implemented. FCET can make a recommendation but issues such as privacy, funding, legalities, and effectiveness will need to be discussed and decided on by the Faculty Senate.

6. <u>New Business. None identified</u>.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. Minutes by Coralie Watters, Administrative Assistant, UW Educational Outreach.

Present:
      Faculty members: Berger, Tweedie, Leggott, Kanal, Brixey and Kaminsky
      President's designee: Szatmary
      Ex officio members: Shaw, Ward, Campbell, Lewis and Mart
      Guests: none
Absent: Spielberg, Miller, Conroy, Gravlee (excused) and Morton.