

STEERING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting: October 4, 2006

Present: D. Blecic, J. Canlas, M. Case, D. Enoch, A. Ford, J. Lambrecht, F. Logan, L. Naru, V. Pifalo (teleconference), E. Schellhause, C. Scherrer, J. Schuitema, J. Shuler, A. Weller,

Minutes of Sept. 6, 2006, meeting approved.

Updates

Lambrecht reviewed last discussions on an iTunes task force and the request for flash drives.

LibQUAL Update

Logan is awaiting approval on IRB; hopes to be able to begin third week of October through mid-November. Group decided to e-mail all users rather than select list. Committee briefly discussed survey questions and mailing list. Further suggestions should be directed to Logan.

Council Structure, Effectiveness, Alternatives

Lambrecht distributed CTSC and PSAC documents detailing accomplishments. Committee discussed differences among councils, particularly where relevant issues seem to be more appropriately dealt with at the department level (e.g., CTSC) vs. the council level (PSAC), and how that impacts perceived effectiveness. Committee then considered AUL structure as a viable alternative, that council work may be more appropriately handled by an authorized individual in a full-time, dedicated position. A Daley department heads group was proposed. In considering upcoming search for health sciences AUL, Case contemplated potential for recruiting specifically skilled individual to oversee an additional area, e.g., sciences, systems, public services, scholarly communication. LHS believes health sciences AUL should be dedicated to single task. Lambrecht invited Committee to send additional thoughts to Case.

Computers for Everyone

Since Library has limited budget for next step in plan, Senior Staff and Systems proposed adjustments to more wisely use funds, namely by upgrading public Windows machines and Macs now while delaying purchase of new staff Windows machines until they are equipped with new operating system (after January 2007).

Strategic Planning

Lambrecht will send Committee spreadsheet of priorities and request feedback. Several Committee members began a series of short reports on strategic plans prepared by other campus units: Enoch--LAS; Logan--A&A; Schellhause—OVCR. Committee briefly discussed similarities, differences, key disciplines, how Library may impact or be impacted by units.