Faculty IT Advisory Council Meeting
Minutes

Wednesday, November 18th, 2014
Mabee rm. 204
2:00-3:00pm

Members Present: John Christensen (School of Law), Rusty Taylor (School of Applied Studies), Vanessa Steinroetter-English (Humanities), Azyz Sharafy-Art (Fine Arts), Elise Blas (Mabee Library), Margaret Wood (C-TEL), Floyd Davenport (ITS), and Brenda White (ITS).

Members Absent: Sharla Blank Sociology (Social Sciences), Rosemary Walker (School of Business), Jeanne Catanzaro (School of Nursing), and Takrima Sadikot-Biology (Sciences).

1. Call to Order
Margaret Wood called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes
Minutes from the October 29th, 2014 meeting were distributed and reviewed. Rusty Taylor suggested including the Turnitin quotes as an addendum to the minutes. Minutes were approved with addendum. Brenda White will post them to the FITAC area of the ITS website.

3. Discussion Items
   a. Plagiarism software-Turnitin
      Discussion about Turnitin. Several members indicated continued interest from their areas. Vanessa suggested inquiring about whether different licensing is available-per school or department or instructor. A spring pilot was suggested to test the effectiveness of the software. Brenda will inquire through the Turnitin representative whether different licensing is available instead of a campus wide license and the possibility of a spring pilot. She will report back to FITAC.
   b. Active Learning Spaces Pilot Project Proposal
      Margaret asked the members if they had discussed further the Active Learning Space proposal with their departments. She stated that Kelly Erby, History instructor and Melanie Burdick, English instructor expressed interest in participating. She also reminded the council that Alan Bearman has offered Mabee 206B as a room to redesign into an Active Learning space and to be used during the spring 2015 semester. She also indicated that Melanie Burdick-English, Karen Kapusta-Pofahl-Sociology, and Jericho Hockett-Psychology will participate in the spring 2015 semester. Other faculty interested in participating include: Azyz Sharafy-Art, Rusty Taylor-School of Applied Studies, and Rory Bahadur–School of Law.
      Discussion continued concerning the technology used to share screens throughout the space. Ideas for screen sharing included using: Adobe Connect, Zoom, or Lync. Floyd mentioned seeing an option for screen sharing using Ethernet at the Technology Showcase trailer earlier in the semester.
Rusty Taylor offered that Benton 210 could be a future room option for an active learning space. It currently has new furniture and chairs, but needs technology upgrades.

Other ideas included: a website to post the information, spring workshops for active learning activities and/or design, and building an assessment framework. Several FITAC members indicated that many faculty are already using active learning teaching methods but may not realize it. It was strongly suggested that a spring workshop focusing on active learning teaching methods be offered using faculty currently implementing this practice.

4. **New Business**

   Floyd suggested that FITAC meet at the start of the spring 2015 semester, in order to spend time reviewing the Technology Requests for FY 2016.

Meeting adjourned approximately 3:00pm. Submitted by Brenda White