CALL TO ORDER

The Technology Committee was called to order by Georgios Stylianides, Chair, at 10:00 am on October 13, 2003. A welcome was extended to everyone.

MINUTES

Jeffrey Golub moved to approve the September 8, 2003 minutes, D. Puglisi seconded, and minutes stand approved.

CENTER FOR 21st CENTURY TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Guest speakers, Diane Williams and Bill Patterson with the Center for 21st Century Teaching Excellence were introduced.

The Center for the 21st Century Teaching Excellence was formerly known as the Center for Teaching Enhancement and has been around for a number of years. The name was updated to bring it into the new millenium and encompass all aspects of involvement. They are involved in every facet of innovation but are pedagogy driven rather than just technology. Various awards are distributed from the center, i.e., Provost Award for Graduate Students ($1,000) and the Media Innovation Team (individual $6,000; department $12,000). Other services provided by the center are General Service Instruction, Distance Learning Support Services, Turnitin.com, Flashlight.online, video production, web and media development, and blackboard support. Individual departments can request from the institute to tailor-make a program to fit their needs.

The College of Public Health had a summer workshop group with a cadre of faculty developers. Approximately twenty compassionate pioneers (by deans within their culture) were involved and receptive to teaching, sharing, and learning. It was a three-part program that required attendance at the center. Every college could benefit from this type of workshop. There is so much to learn from students and colleagues.

LAPTOP PILOT INITIATIVE

Barry Morris, Childhood Education, gave a presentation on the laptop initiative. The COE began a laptop pilot cohort with twenty-five undergraduate students seeking an elementary education degree. Each student received the latest wireless laptop model from Apple Computers. The model “iBook” is fully equipped (iChat, iMovie, iPhoto, iDisk), including “iSight” videoconferencing equipment and software. All participating instructors received the same setup. All faculty and students have been trained in the use of this technology and effective integration of this technology will be used in the curriculum. Onsite technology support will be ongoing throughout the entire project. Each student and participating instructor will receive a free “.mac” account allowing them to create their own website and storage area on Apple servers.

DEPARTMENTAL TECHNOLOGY NEEDS

Reminder: Each department should email a list of needs to Georgios Stylianides for review by the committee.
CHAIR ELECT
Paul Terry volunteered to serve as Chair-Elect.

NEXT MEETING
The next meeting will be Monday, November 10, 2003 at 10:00 am in EDU 219.

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.

TRANSCRIBED BY
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