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IT Advisory Committee Meeting
October 23, 2008
8:30 – 10:00 AM

Present: Dr. Stephen Balfour, Aaron Brender, John Chivvis, Dr. Becky Carr, Dr. Fred Fisher, Willis Marti, Dr. Henrik Schmiediche, Ron Szabo

Item 1: Status Updates from Subcommittees

Charter Sub-Committee – Chair, Dr. Becky Carr. Drafts of Administration Constitution and By-Laws were discussed and changes made per recommendations of committee.

IT Employee Orientation Sub-Committee – Chair, Nolan Flowers. Aaron Brender present for committee. No current news on the orientation information.

1. ITAC members suggested the following sources for examples of information given to incoming employees:
   a. ISAAC Report
   b. New Faculty site

2. Suggestions for information to be included in IT Employee Orientation information:
   a. Organizational structure and functions of APIT Office
   b. List of Resources outside of APIT
   c. List of university policies
   d. Nuts and bolts information (listservs, how to ask questions and get answers, etc.)
   e. List of CIS personnel
   f. Information on University procurement and inventory guidelines

3. CIS and NIS are making changes to their websites and Willis will bring to ITAC for discussion.

Item 2: Review IT Topics

1. Campus-wide exchange and active directory services
   a. New campus forest being put together by Microsoft Research Committee that should be ready in a year.
2. CIS working on campus Identity Management Policy
   a. Goal is to include everyone on campus and have a role model. Committee would like to see centralized authentication and then the management delegated to each department.

3. Suggestions for November IT Forum topics:
   a. Identity Management
   b. Virtualization and support issues
   c. Update on Disaster Recovery
   d. Infrastructure Updates (campus and off-site wireless, networking)

**Item 3: Impact of Virtualization**

1. Two features that have an impact on network infrastructure:
   a. Different mac addresses for every virtual system.
   b. V-motion where you can move a virtual machine to another piece of hardware.

2. At this time, for security, NIS limits mac addresses that can be concurrently on one port. Requests for multiple mac addressees on ports are continually growing and NIS (with feedback from ITAC) is considering almost automatically giving users what they want with a charge per port. This charge hopefully will result in departments contacting NIS when they are no longer using a port. Suggestions from ITAC are:
   a. Give each department a list so they will know what they have.
   b. Use a tool similar to NIM.
   c. Virtualization and failover are critical to a department.
   d. Explain how charges are determined.