

CoLIT Meeting Minutes
10/17/07

Present:

Council Housekeeping

Karen Bruns was elected Chair for 07-08. Meri Meredith was elected Vice Chair for 07-08.

Bylaws changes have not yet been approved by the Senate. These will be addressed in the spring of 08.

Roles and Responsibilities of Council Members

Robert Perry spoke to the need of inviting experts, guests, and non-member faculty to participate in the discussions of the committee as specific topics warrant. Committee members also spoke in favor of this idea.

Karen Bruns raised questions about the responsibilities of committee members. What is the role of a committee member? Which constituency is being represented by each member? How should members disseminate information about the work of the committee?

Post minutes on committee web page. Make sure web page is connected to Senate web page.

Suggestions: Distribute handouts to other faculty.

How representative are the faculty members on the committee? Members could report to deans and raise red flags for burning issues. Do we need clear reporting roles to colleges among members?

Robert Perry suggested that communication plans be targeted to those with the need to know about the specific issues under consideration.

Author's Rights

Joe Branin introduced the topic of faculty authors retaining rights to their publications in order to promote broader access to researchers across the globe. The CIC consortium has created a statement about retaining rights that has been adopted by many CIC institutions already. The Libraries would like to move the statement forward to Senate for a resolution that endorses the CIC statement and Author's Rights Contract Addendum. If the Council endorses this statement, it will go to the Steering Committee and then to the Senate.

Ken Pearlman moved that the Council endorse the CIC statement and Meri Meredith seconded. The Council voted unanimously to send the statement to the Faculty Steering Committee. A Senate presentation will most likely be necessary.

Celeste Feather will look into creating and linking a digital copy of the Author's Copyrights brochure on the Council's and Libraries' web pages. She will notify the Council of the links when the document is posted.

Cybersecurity

Michael Veres introduced the topic, reported on the recent incidents that have occurred at OSU. The Provost is now required to report to the Board of Trustees whenever a security breach occurs. There are now mandates to improve security within the university. OIT looks to the Council for assistance in raising all the issues of concern within our community.

Chuck: Every breach to this point was avoidable and preventable. Portable devices were stolen, and the data on them was not encrypted. University-owned portable devices must now be encrypted. If devices are encrypted, under Ohio law there is no requirement of notifying individuals whose personal data may have been stolen. Council members should look at standards being proposed now, obtain input from their constituencies, and prepare to discuss the issues at a Council meeting. Minimum computing security standards are in force now. Each College and administrative unit has been asked to prepare an implementation plan. Specific concerns are names paired with SSN, drivers' license numbers, or credit/debit card numbers with PINs. Options are to eliminate the data, eliminate portions of the data (i.e. using last four digits of SSN), or to encrypt the devices. Encryption is probably the easiest approach.

SSNs for student identification will start to be replaced with student ID numbers beginning in June of 2008.

The university has licensed encryption software. Colleges and units are expected to pay for the licenses they use. The current cost is \$7.00 for three years.

Karen Bruns suggested a special Council meeting in November to discuss cybersecurity. Mike Veres wants input about the negative effects of cybersecurity standards on the faculty. Proposals will be in place by October 31.

Perhaps the Digital Union could offer laptop security classes to include physical theft prevention as well as encryption.

President's Cabinet has affirmed that the affected college will bear the cost of the breach.

itsecurity@osu.edu is a site established for the new cybersecurity issues

CIO Search Committee Report

Joe Branin represents Council on the search committee. The committee has now selected a search firm. The key issue in the charge to the search committee from the Provost is to find a CIO who will move toward the centralization of IT at OSU. The intent is to have a person in the position in the spring of 2008.

NSF Grant Proposal

The Libraries are leading an effort to create a proposal in response to a call from NSF for a \$20 million grant to create mechanisms to collect, store, and preserve access to large data sets in the sciences. Efforts are underway to merge the efforts of OSU, the Ohio Supercomputer Center, OhioLINK, and possible other partners.

Other Business

November meeting dates will be established soon. Second November meeting will be focused on programmatic budgeting. University budget process is unknown this year.

The December meeting will focus on student issues such as file sharing and textbooks. The meeting needs to be before finals week in order to get students to attend. Council agendas will be set quarter by quarter.