Thursday, December 12, 2013
2-3:30
Room SMN137

Meeting Summary

Attendance:

Present: Michael Irvine, Steven Newton, John Hinds, Mary Sage, David Patterson, Shook Chung, Valerie Ware, Jonathan Eldridge

Absent: Greg Nelson, Kofi Opong Mensah, Frank Crosby, John Ware

Guest: Jeff Fleisher, Information Technology

Agenda Items:

1. Agenda approved.

2. The minutes from 11-14-13 were approved.

3. Jonathan Eldridge, Vice President of Student Services, presented a final draft of the Information Technology Report for Fall 2013 for mandatory review by the Technology Planning Committee. The Technology Committee approved the report with no suggested changes.

4. Jeff Fleisher gave a presentation on the new servers. He explained that they had plenty of power to handle future district needs and told us that the district servers were being virtualized and that the potential for speedy network operation is around the corner. He went on to say the district would be transferring it’s main servers to the new servers over the winter break. He assured the committee that there would sufficient redundancy to provide adequate backup in emergency situations, making total system breakdowns obsolete. Regarding a question about the progress of the Student Domain, Jeff said that there would be only one common domain in the future which would serve faculty, staff, students and the public alike. He further said the power of the new server could be augmented with additional “blades” and that future virtualization of computer information is coming. Also he pointed out that eventually all computers will be able to be accessed by IT staff remotely for repair and automation of software upgrades.

5. The creation of the TAG charter and reprioritization of the Tech Plan initiatives will begin at the next meeting in the Spring semester.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30PM/Next meeting: January 23, 2013, 2pm-3:30pm, SMN137