

## Central Committee on Technology – Minutes for 3/2/07 meeting

In Attendance: Lura Speth, Chair (Academic Computing) Margo Mankin (Elementary Education), Anat Shiftan (Ceramics), Becky Adae (Academic Computing), Jun Lin (Business), Rachel Rigolino (English), Susan DeMaio (Art History)

The meeting commenced at 8:40AM.

Minutes for the 2/23/07 meeting were amended to include the time of adjournment (11:55AM). Minutes were approved.

### Old Business:

- Lura Speth received clarifications from Richard Halpern for the Physics proposal (#1). All 12 monitors requested would be housed in WSB 107. If 19" monitors could be purchased at about the same price as 17" ones, then the larger screens would be preferred as two students would be sharing one screen.
- Lura Speth has not received answers to the questions the committee posed about the Geography proposal (#2).
- The committee does not yet have a replacement for the faculty representative from sciences.
- Anat Shiftan submitted new information about student utilization on behalf of the Art proposal (#8).

### New Business:

- The committee reviewed three proposals in order of total expense. Most of the discussion focused on the proposal submitted by the Communications and Media Department.
- Proposal #6 (Electrical Computing and Engineering): The committee had a couple of questions regarding student utilization numbers and whether or not office suite software would be needed. If so, the total cost would be higher. The proposal was overwhelmingly supported with a ranking of 4.0 out of a possible 4.0 points.
- Proposal #9 (Chemistry): The first option of this proposal was also overwhelmingly supported with a ranking of 4.0.
- Proposal #4 (Communications and Media): Since Tom McQuaide had recently notified the committee that his department had received Academic Equipment Replacement funds for many of the items he had originally requested, his proposal was amended. The committee would like clarification about competing high definition standards and confirmation that the proposed tape decks are backwards compatible. As amended, the request for 3 tape decks and 1 high definition camcorder received a ranking of 1.85.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50AM. The next meeting will be held on H, 3/8, at 11:00AM. The location is to be announced.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca Adae