

Software Coordinating Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 1, 2007
Dauch 106

Present: Vickie Taylor, Steve Kaufman, Sandi Carpenter, Jan Marotta, Sharon Valente, Deanna Romano, Dave Lifer and Dreama Knight

List of software on NAL

Sandi started the meeting talking about the Zoomerang survey results. About 20 faculty completed the survey determining that most of the software is not being used. All software will be removed by September 1, 2007. Sandi had a list of all software currently on the network with pricing for the software that will need to be purchased if continued to use. Mentioned that if Angel will be replacing WebCT Angel can interface with Datatel for recording grades. NAL will still launch because some network staff need it. Vickie asked if the Seminary will be able to install Office 2007 this summer after Datatel training. Sandi would need a couple weeks notice before the install.

Word Perfect

As of May 14th this will no longer be available on the network. Sandi will send out a final notice

Fall 07 Software

It will be necessary when requesting software to complete the "software request" forms (supported and non supported software). When completed fax to attention Sandi x.5839. Our current site supported software is available for install by entering a helpdesk ticket x.5405.

Refresh of Labs

Dauch 107 & 108 will be getting new computers. Dauch 106 will also be getting 28 new desks and fixed computers like 200 Patterson. Refresh of labs will start after graduation and should take about 2 days per lab. Sharon stated that 106 currently is set up for 30 students and that Tawnja Daubert should know for scheduling class rooms. Sandi said that they are working on a list for Tawnja. Sharon asked what is happening with the laptops being replaced. Sandi stated that due to the fact that the batteries are not charging and the wear on the laptops they will be recycled. Deanna asked if COE will be able to use her old laptop once she receives her new one. Sandi stated that she sent a letter to Beth King asking her to discuss this with Dr. Pettigrew. Sandi reminded the committee members of the link available to select their new computers and to follow up with their dean and chair if they have any questions. Dave asked about upgrades to the standard selections and how they are paid for. Dreama stated that once the upgrades are approved by the appropriate person a transfer of funds will be needed to cover the additional cost.

Upgrades are not supported by IT. Sandi added the consumer pricing is different than what the academic pricing is.

Open Discussion

Additional Discussion items

Deanna didn't realize that GradeQuick isn't a free download. Steve stated that he and others from the IT Dept. are going to Akron on Wednesday to see the Angel product. Akron is actual integrating it in and they will look to see how things are done. Steve stated that if AU decides to go with Angel for course management it will be a very smooth transition. Lots of training will be available and hopefully WebCT and Angel will be able to run side by side until 08 to make the transition that much easier. Sharon stated that it will be real important to keep the communication going with faculty during the transition.

Sandi would like the committee to continue meeting with the next meeting in September. Sharon mentioned that many of the committee members will be here over the summer if it would be necessary to meet before fall classes start.

Minutes and agenda will be posted to the IT website.