

CAC Minutes

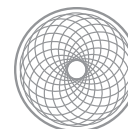
Meeting Summary

April 2, 2009

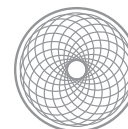
Durham 206

Members Present: Scott McLeod, Fred Gulden, Jim Twetten, Phillip Spike, Tony Townsend, Cameron Campbell, Denise Schmidt, Joe Herriges, Misha Rajaram, Babatunde Abidoye, Steve Sanda, Steve Sulhoff, Jamie Fath, Ivon Katz, Elizabeth Harriman, Mike Bowman, Brent Swanson, Allan Schmidt, Ying Cai, Carl Chang, Jonathan Salvador

- Meeting called to order at 5:11PM
- Corrections to Minutes
 - Minutes Approved
- No Financial Report
- New Business
 - McLeod: We need to decide on a cutoff for the first round of rankings, and one other item for the evening.
 - Amy Joines from the College of Engineering: Concerning a project that was approved last year, her project deals with student groups testing the project. They're having trouble getting enough student groups cooperating in the alpha testing phase of the project. What she would like to do is offer a fixed amount to participating groups and a bonus for the groups that offered the most feedback during the testing process, as incentives.
 - She wants to use an approved budget, but spend \$600 for a different use
 - All in favor?
 - Motion passes
 - McLeod: Another item: Larry Booth from VetMed who isn't here tonight has a concern: Perhaps our competitive pool of money of 375K is now too small?
 - McLeod: Something to think about maybe at the last meeting?
 - McLeod: We need to set a cutoff point for our second round of evaluations. Suggestions?



- Townsend: It seems that our first few proposals are going to really limit how much we can give out to other projects: they take up a large portion of our budget. It seems we have a few towards the bottom that are relatively cheap.
 - Gulden: Usually what we've done is draw a line, and then we'd have a discussion to see if anyone would want to champion a proposal that got cut.
- McLeod: Do we see any significant cut points? At 2.27? Or 2.2?
- Spike: I actually like the one at 2.2, so maybe we should keep that.
 - Schmidt: I do too.
 - Twetten: That one could be a pretty strategic thing with the tighter budget.
- McLeod: Alright, so we have some advocates for 2.2... so how about we cut everything below 2.2? Fred has said that in the past, we've allowed people to advocate for anything below the line. Does anybody want to make a case for something?
 - Chang: I'd like to say something about Proposal 6. The idea of this proposal is to backup the rant for motion capture that we got last year. We've even developed a minor around motion-capture, including students from across campus.
 - Townsend: Well, in my own analysis, it sounded like a really laudable thing, but I didn't understand why it isn't just funded by the college.
 - Fath: I'd like to say something about line 17 and 18; these are both continuations of proposals that were approved and supported last year. So my concern would be that if we decide to look at line 17, the motion-capture proposal, we should also look at line 18 in fairness.
 - Katz: I maybe be alone on this, but I can't stress enough how strongly I'm against the site-license for Lynda.com. could we take something higher out, in order to bring lower ones up?
 - McLeod: So are we wanting to move the line down?
 - Spike: With the amount we have to give out, it doesn't seem like we can really move it down too much.
 - McLeod: Okay gang, we have to make a decision. 2.1? 2.13?
 - Herriges: I move that we cut everything below 2.20.
 - Katz seconds
 - Motion passes



- Twetten: Regarding proposal #20, I'd like to be able to give feedback to the proposers about what the issues were so they can better prepare for next time.
 - Harriman: I have Dr. Booth's comment, which is that it's basically course-development that should be supported by the department.
 - Hanton: Well, I liked it. A lot of students go through that class.
 - Townsend: I liked it too, but I didn't really see the CAC tie-in.
- McLeod: Quick question. If a group of students at ISu would like to be considered exempt from paying the student tech fee, is that something to consider in this forum? Their rationale is that they're not using the services, since they're study-abroad students. I'm asking if this is the place to ask that question.
 - Bowman: At one time a major review of that issue was done, and this committee was not a part of that to a significant extent.
 - McLeod: So, we're not really the body to decide that.
 - Bowman: In my opinion, if this committee had a strong feeling that something should be different we could make a recommendation to that effect.
 - McLeod: So who do I forward this group to?
 - Bowman: Ellen Rasmussen in the Provost's office.
- McLeod: So for next time, we'll have our second round of rankings done. We'll discuss the proposals at the next meeting. And we'll have pizza I understand.
- Meeting adjourned