Learning Technology Roundtable  
March 31, 2005  
ML-3012  2-3 pm  (ITS Conference Room)

Present:  Jane Baird, Don Descy, Corinne Dickey, Jan Eimers, Jim Grabowska, Brian Groh, Catherine Hughes, Joel Jensen, Mark Johnson, Elena Ivanova, Peg Lawrence, Nina LeNoir, Henry Morris, Warren Sandmann, Gary Urban  
Guests:  Jerry Anderson, Ted Johnson, Bryan Schneider  
Absent:  Gale Allen, Ronald Browne, Daniel Cronn-Mills, David Gjerde, Joan Klanderud, Mark Kump, Patricia Lipetzky, Angela Monson, Joan Roca, Stewart Ross, Gerald Schneck, Wayne Sharp, Seven Vassar, Adam Weigold, Robert Zelin

AGENDA:

Don Descy welcomed the group and stated that Joan Roca would not be in attendance because he was out of the office today.

Announcements
   Don Descy stated that there is usually dollars available from Academic Affairs for these conferences. Please let him or Joan know if you are interested in attending.


Old Business
4. Approval of Minutes  
   A motion was made to accept the minutes of March 10th and seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

5. Turnitin  
   No comments were made.

New Business
6. Dial-in access (Bryan Schneider)
Bryan Schneider showed the group a short presentation regarding statistics pertaining to dial-in access. Currently there are 144 lines available. A proposal to drop those lines to 96 is being considered because it would produce an annual savings of $20,256. Bryan stated that the total minutes being used have declined to approximately 1/3 of what it was originally. The number of users has also decreased. The reasoning may be due to high speed internet access available at lower prices.

The Student Technology Committee has received this information and supported the recommendation.

Jim Grabowska made a motion to endorse the recommendation to drop the T1 lines down to 5 (from 7). This was seconded by Nina LeNoir. The LTR voted unanimously to support the decrease in T1 lines and to check the usage statistics with the phone company next fall to monitor the busy signals received from users.

Mark Johnson stated that if you have information on internet coverage areas for rural populations, please keep him informed.

7. Digital Video Services - new products and services (Jerry Anderson)

Jerry Anderson demonstrated WiredRed software to the group. This video production/streaming media application has recently been used by Athletics. They did a webcast for a non-local audience. The people participating had an 800 telephone number and an email address where they could call or send their questions to the presentors. This went very well and was recorded so it could be viewed at a later time.

Kent Kalm is also using this technology to provide a Sunday Night Fitness Talk with his students. He presents from his home. This is also working out well. Other possibilities for this type of technology are mock interviews, speeches, and student training sessions.

E-Pop is an online collaboration for Distance Learning. This allows interactive online whiteboards and WiredRed application sharing of PowerPoint-type documents. If you are familiar with Live Meeting or Net Meeting, it is very similar but has an interactive component for peer to peer contact.

Scott Page has received a grant to use this product for a Student Teachers project. Student teachers will be going to schools and the advisor will have this technology available to view the student during their teaching session. Scott will have the opportunity to provide annotations and the student teachers will be able to see these. These
will also be recorded and the student teacher can view their performance.

Feel free to contact Jerry Anderson or Elena Ivanova to discuss the components of this presentation.

8. The new MSU web site (Ted Johnson)
   Ted Johnson displayed the new webpage template. This design benefits the user. The features are more useful and the content is easily controlled by the user. The use of this template makes the campus site look more “connected”.

   If you are interested in updating your website or if you need assistance, please feel free to contact Ted Johnson.

9. DLTF Draft Report - distributed earlier (Pat Lipetzky)
   There was no consensus on an endorsement from LTR members. Individuals are encouraged to review and respond to Patricia Lipetzky or Don Descy.

10. Other

**Recurring Updates**
11. Student LTR (Adam Weigold)
    No report.

12. ITS (Mark Johnson)
    Mark reported that the bids for the new telephone system have been received. The decision has not been made as to which equipment and services we will be receiving. These changes will be taking place.

13. Extended Learning (Pat Lipetzky)
    No Report

14. Other
    Mark Johnson asked the LTR members to take the time and visit [www.csszengarden.com](http://www.csszengarden.com). This website shows examples of providing the same material in different formats. It is a very interesting site.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:10 p.m.