



LTR Meeting Minutes 1/15/99

Minutes of 12/9/98 approved as distributed.

Members present

- Gary Bednar, Ernie Boyd, Paul Brandon, Paul Corcoran, Susan Coultrap-McQuin, Don Descy, Jan Eimers, Sylverna Ford, Dave Gjerde, Tim Huebsch, Cathy Hughes, Joan Klanderud, Nancy MacKenzie, Henry Morris, Joan Roca, Tim Scott, Pat Sexton, Wayne Sharp, Mark Thomas, Gary Urban.

Announcements

- Subcommittee report: Don Descy distributed a draft of the recommendations from the Replacement Cycle Committee.
- Much discussion followed; many comments and suggestions were made. The Committee will incorporate the revisions and bring the draft back for final discussion/ amendments at the next LTR meeting on 1/29. Ernie Boyd stated he will have a draft report from the Classroom Outfitting Committee to LTR members before the next meeting and first discussion of this draft will take place on 1/29.

Old Business

- Updates from CIO Ford: she has received notification that MnSCU did not fund our proposal for a Regional Center for Technology. Reasons for this denial were not provided. Sites chosen were Rochester, St. Cloud and Marshall. MnSCU has begun

strategic planning for technology. Dr. Ford will serve on the committee for the Phase I effort. Their charge is to look at technology needs and also the governance of technology within the System. Sylverna asked for input from LTR members to share with this MnSCU committee. The use of ISRS here at MSU has been delayed until Summer '99; however, we have begun moving data into the system. MnSCU's Board of Trustees had asked an internal auditor to review the ISRS implementation process. This internal auditing final report is to be presented to the Board at their January meeting. Staffing positions in Computer Services is progressing very slowly. Still at the posting and interviewing stage. No hires yet; hopefully some fills by February. The campus calendar software program has not yet been selected. Meeting Maker is the top choice, but technical staff have raised questions. Further research is taking place. And MnSCU's central office is looking at a custom-written calendar software package so we await results. MSU's Y2K Readiness Team has been meeting. All colleges and units have representatives on this team. The deadline for their individual readiness plans is February 15th; our total university readiness project completion deadline is April 15th.

New Business

- Joan Klanderud gave a brief update from South Central Technical College. They have just named Wes Taylor as their new Dean of Technology; he will start March 1st. Web registration took place for the first time--it went well; they are on ISRS. Infrastructure--rewiring and connections to all classrooms were completed over Christmas. They actually fire-up this weekend.
- Election of new Faculty Co-Chair: all administrator/staff/student LTR members adjourned and the faculty members stayed to conduct this election. The new LTR faculty co-chair is Don Descy.

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