

Meeting Notes from 05/18/06, 2:00pm, Weir Hall Conference Room

**Present:** Pascal Bizarro, Joey Brent, Buffy Choinski, Barbara Dougherty, Maurice Eftink, Johnny Price, Penny Rice

### **Classroom Technology Project:**

Rice explained the Classroom Technology project to new committee members and passed out handouts containing photos and information for each of the classrooms proposed by department chairs as candidates to receive technology upgrades this year. These handouts may be viewed at [www.olemiss.edu/umct/2006candidateclassrooms/](http://www.olemiss.edu/umct/2006candidateclassrooms/). This year's candidate classrooms were Anderson 11, Bishop 102, Bondurant 107W, Bondurant 111E, Bondurant 114E, Bondurant 116W, Carrier 119, George 204, George 207, Guyton 113, Guyton 312, Guyton 313, Guyton 324, Guyton 339, Hume 110, Museum Classroom, Nutt Auditorium, Scruggs 153, Turner 239, Turner 241, and Turner 243. This year, the committee also accepted recommendations for placement of Wireless Access Points. The candidate locations for this year were the Science Library in the Thad Cochran Natural Products Center and Bondurant Hall.

- Eftink reported that we have \$100-125k to work with this year.
- Rice reported that last year we spent \$11,000 for rooms with a projector and wall plate and \$25,000 for rooms receiving a full lectern.
- Price estimated that our costs this year should be the same.
- A Full Multimedia Lectern setup will include a ceiling mounted projector, a projection screen, a lectern containing a computer, VCR/DVD player, document camera, controller, and sound system.
- The 2 rooms in George and the Museum classroom were not selected because of their low utilization.
- It was decided that we would revisit Nutt Auditorium next year since it is currently undergoing renovation.
- The 5 rooms in Guyton were prioritized and the top 2 rooms were selected to receive projectors, wall plates, screens, and computers on carts.
- The 3 rooms in Turner and Bondurant 111E were not selected this year because they already have usable technology in place. We may want to upgrade the technology in these rooms another year.
- Bondurant 116W has a lectern that was purchased the first year of the classroom technology project. It was decided that this lectern was sufficient for a few more years. We will, however, go ahead and purchase an extra projector that can serve as backup for Bondurant 116W and 111E. We will also purchase a new electronic screen to replace the broken one in 116W.
- It was decided that the Science Library should receive wireless networking this year. Price thinks that two wireless access points should be sufficient to cover the library. We will also want to make it BlueSocket accessible so that students can access the wireless network using their WebID and password.

The committee recommended that the following rooms receive technology upgrades this year.

<b>Room</b>	<b>Technology</b>	<b>Approximate Cost</b>
Anderson 11	Ceiling Mounted Projector, Wall Plate, Xtron Controller, Screen	\$11,000
Bishop 102	Full Multimedia Lectern	\$25,000
Bondurant 107W	Ceiling Mounted Projector, Wall Plate, Xtron Controller, Screen	\$11,000
Bondurant 114E	Ceiling Mounted Projector, Wall Plate, Xtron Controller, Screen	\$11,000
Bondurant 116W	Replace broken Electronic Projection Screen	\$1,000
Carrier 119	Ceiling Mounted Projector, Wall Plate, Xtron Controller, Screen	\$11,000
Guyton 312	Ceiling Mounted Projector, Wall Plate, Xtron Controller, Screen, Computer and Cart.	\$13,000
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Hume 110	Ceiling Mounted Projector, Wall Plate, Xtron Controller, Screen	\$11,000
Science Library	Wireless Access Points	\$5,000

### **iTunes U:**

Rice reported that The University has applied for and been accepted as an iTunes U Campus. We should receive our starter kit from Apple this week. The committee was very excited about this and discussed various ways that this will be an asset, such as: posting podcasts of classroom lectures, faculty technology lecture series, events on campus, library tour, campus tour, etc. Choinski suggested the idea of purchasing 20-30 ipods and having them available for checkout in the library. We will discuss further ideas at our next meeting.

### **Clickers:**

Rice mentioned that we might want to look at the current Clicker Technology and look into the possibility of standardization on campus. Several committee members were unfamiliar with clicker technology and had questions about their use in the classroom. It was suggested that we

ask a UM faculty member that is currently using clickers in their class to come and talk with the committee. Maybe we could meet in one of the clicker equipped classrooms. Rice will investigate this possibility and set up a meeting time within the next few weeks.

**Webmaster Workshops:**

Eftink mentioned that in an effort to improve the UM website, IT is hosting a week long Webmaster Workshop this summer. An email has been sent to department chairs asking that the person responsible for maintaining the department's web pages attend the workshops.

The meeting was dismissed at 3:15pm.