

**Information Technology Planning Board (ITPB)**  
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**January 31, 2005**  
**Meeting Summary**

Minutes (available on web and already distributed by listserv)

**ITPB Attendees:** Chair Chris Foote, Jack Beatty, Dana Cuff, Jim Davis, Adam Harmetz, Bill Jepson (for Greg Kitch), David Kaplan, Kathleen Komar, Adrienne Lavine, Mike McCoy, Sam Morabito, Lisa Spangenberg, Gary Strong

**Guests:** Mike Lee (PDP participant), Larry Loehner (OID), Nick Reddingius (OIT), Mike Schilling (CTS), Marsha Smith (OIT), Kent Wada (OIT), Esther Woo-Benjamin (OIT), Don Worth (AIS)

**Agenda:**

**1) Reports**

**a. Privacy Board**

The board has officially launched and has held its first meeting. Among the many topics on its agenda are Googling behavior and monitoring traffic on Internet 2. It currently does not have student representation but is looking for candidates.

**b. Computational Institute**

The Computational Institute is the realization of the ITPB's vision to establish UCLA as a leader in computational research and education. While leadership existed across many diverse researchers, UCLA was not organized to fully leverage its capability. During the last two years, the Academic Technology Services (ATS) Advisor Board, chaired by Ken Houk, along with VC Peccei's office, the Office of Information Technology (OIT), Professors Warren Mori and Emily Carter, and ATS have worked to build partnerships and broad and diverse consensus among faculty who use computation, for the formation of a Computational Research Institute. The goals of the Institute are many and include:

- Organize to fully leverage existing leadership capability and expand to other research communities
- Organize to fully leverage existing infrastructure capability and extend to greater capacity

- Create educational emphasis and programs in computation based research
- Build out capability in algorithmic development to harness and exploit computational infrastructure
- Organize to pull in large scale grants where computation is a critical element

The Chancellor and Executive Vice Chancellor have given approval to form the institute. Additionally, they

- have provided seed funding matched by members of the Council of Deans representing both the sciences and the arts;
- approved proceeding with hiring a director;
- agreed that the new institute would receive space within the California Nanosystems Institute (CNSI); and
- approved beginning a lengthy process of aligning computational based ATS resources within a partnership between the Institute, OIT, and the office of the VC of Research.

VC Roberto Peccei is scheduled to make a presentation about the Institute to the ITPB at its next meeting.

**c. System wide online entertainment services RFP**

The University of California and the California State University (CSU) have teamed up to improve access to legal online entertainment services. They have issued a solicitation for proposals from vendors offering online music and movie services with the intention of leveraging the size of both systems to provide multiple competitive choices for campuses electing to offer online entertainment services to faculty, staff and students. The University's role is to negotiate the best price possible, with each campus left to implement its own programs. Student Affairs and the Office of Residential Life are taking the lead in selecting the vendors and services best suited to UCLA's needs. The intent is not for this to be a campus based service; rather students, faculty and staff would enter into an individual agreement with a vendor.

**2) Repositioning IT Initiative**

**a. Reactions from presentation discussions to date**

Kathy Komar reported that faculty feedback has been positive. There has been some concern about the ability to support distinct communities when aggregating at higher levels.

## **b. Progress**

### *Network Review*

The campus survey has been completed and the project's technical resource group lead by Mike Van Norman is developing the framework for packaging the views that will go to the external Network Review Team at the end of February. Two views are being considered:

- Structural view of the campus network architecture
- View of constituencies served by network area (e.g. faculty, students)

### *Data Centers*

Planning for the first phase of data gathering about administrative applications and data and primary data/server rooms is nearly complete. Actual data gathering is expected to begin in mid February. A team of 4 Professional Development Program (PDP) participants plans to visit 32 academic and administrative units to administer the survey through in person interviews.

### *Email Consolidation*

Administration is continuing to make progress in the consolidation of their email systems, with implementation expected by the end of June. Beginning in July, this will serve as a significant campus demonstration to be used for considering other email consolidation opportunities.

### *Fiscal Model*

Communications Technology Services (CTS) has completed formulation of the underlying principles for the recommendations for funding the technology portion of the disaggregated telephone bill. This Technology Infrastructure Fee (TIF) model will be presented at the next ITPB meeting.

## **3) Policy Questions for Enterprise Directory and Identity Management Infrastructure (EDIMI) Project**

### **a. Recommendations from CSG on UCLA Logon ID space**

The Common Systems Group (CSG) unanimously supports the CTS proposal to expand the current Bruin OnLine ID to 15 characters and use it as the UCLA Logon ID. This ID and the associated password will be used as a single identifier which will be both the common logon ID for various campus services and the official persistent email address. All existing

Bruin OnLine IDs will automatically become UCLA Logon IDs. Current account holders will be given a one-time opportunity to select a new UCLA Logon ID and return their existing Bruin OnLine ID. The complete text of the proposal is posted at:

<http://www.csg.oit.ucla.edu/documents.htm#January2005> . If approved, this will be implemented in September.

The ITPB also voted to support this proposal. There was a suggestion to inform graduating seniors about this decision.

#### **b. Individual Policy Actions**

In a continuation of the December 14, 2004 policy discussion, the ITPB's input was sought on 1) policies on what staff and faculty data can be self-updated; 2) persistent email addresses for employees; and 3) controls on email update authority.

On the proposed policies on what staff and faculty data can be self-updated, the Board suggested allowing self updates, but with notification when updates are made.

On the proposals on persistent email for employees, the Board agreed with the policies:

- All [faculty, emeriti faculty, spouse of deceased emeriti faculty] can have a persistent email address (email account/storage or forwarding).
- All [emeriti staff, spouse of deceased emeriti staff] can have a persistent email address (email forwarding).
- All [retired staff] can have a persistent email address (email forwarding).

The proposed policy on controls on email update authority was not discussed due to lack of time.

#### **4) Future Meetings**

- Monday, February 28, 2-4 p.m. @ 2121 Murphy
- Thursday, March 31, 204 p.m. @ 2121 Murphy