

[In these minutes: Information Technology Priorities, GAPSA/COGS Update, 2014 – 2015 AHC SCC Chair Election, 2014 – 2015 Agenda Topics & Ideas]

## **ACADEMIC HEALTH CENTER STUDENT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (AHC SCC) MINUTES**

**APRIL 23, 2014**

**5:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

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[These minutes reflect discussion and debate at a meeting of a committee of the University of Minnesota Senate; none of the comments, conclusions, or actions reported in these minutes represent the view of, nor are they binding on the Senate, the Administration, or the Board of Regents.]

**PRESENT:** Christine Myers (chair), Riley Hauschildt, Alexandria Kahlert, Amanda Koethe, Bryan Ladd, Renee Larson, Rose Lemke, Marissa Wagar, Andrew Weaver

**REGRETS:** Jamie Dean, Sandy Dong, Courtney Mason, Maeve McClellan, Abby Sauer

**ABSENT:** JonPaul Dragseth, Gina Gibson, Susan Lee, Ian ReynoldsIm

**GUESTS:** Bernie Gulachek, associate vice president, Office of Information Technology, and Susan Strubel, associate chief information officer, Office of Information Technology

**OTHERS ATTENDING:** George Sakkal, CHIP program assistant

I). Christine Myers convened the meeting and welcomed those present. She announced that Renee Dempsey, Senate staff, would be sending out an email to members to find out who will be continuing on the committee next year and who will be leaving the committee.

II). Ms. Myers welcomed Associate Vice President Bernie Gulachek and Associate Chief Information Officer Susan Strubel from the Office of Information Technology. Mr. Gulachek and Ms. Strubel asked to meet with the committee to get their input on information technology priorities for the institution for the coming year.

Mr. Gulachek explained that through the Office of Information Technology (OIT) governance process, it is working to identify its technology priorities for the coming year. OIT is talking to groups across the institution to collect as much input as it can, which will be distilled into themes similar to what they did last year. Some of the priorities that will be identified will require funding, and these will need to go through the budget process where senior leadership will decide which projects get funded. However, there are plenty of things that can be accomplished that will simply require the collective effort of the institution's technologists.

Last year when he and Ms. Strubel met with this committee and other groups across the institution, a number of technology themes were raised, and, as a result, OIT:

- Improved academic technology tools, e.g., Moodle enhancements, and augmentation of the institution's wireless networking presence.
- Bettered the technology help experience so users have a more uniform and consistent experience.
- Updated some academic technology learning spaces.

Mr. Gulachek stated that he and Ms. Strubel are back today to ask members their opinions about where OIT should focus its efforts in the coming year. Members' suggestions included:

- Improve technology communications between system campuses both in terms of the technology itself as well as how it is being used.
- Improve the reliance on the virtual private network (VPN).
- Explore the possibility of recording all classes – lecture-capture tools.
- Offer online workshops for faculty so they can learn how to use the technology in their classroom(s).

Hearing no further suggestions, Mr. Gulachek asked the committee what technology tools the University should stop offering. The only suggestion that was mentioned was Media Mill.

A member stated that this is a hard question to answer because students are not using the tools that they don't like or are obsolete. The question was then asked if the University has a way to track the usage of the tools it offers. Mr. Gulachek stated that if authentication is required, usage can be tracked.

Mr. Gulachek stated that the ideas that came out of this discussion would be shared with the committee after this meeting along with links to participate in a survey, focus groups, etc.

A member asked whether there are plans to have digital screens in certain areas, e.g., Coffman Memorial Union, with light rail and bus schedules. Mr. Gulachek stated that he did not know.

Mr. Gulachek thanked the committee for their time and members thanked him and Ms. Strubel for a good discussion.

III). Ms. Myers provided a brief GAPSA/COGS update. Alfonso Santjago won the GAPSA election and will be president next year. Anecdotally, she reported that things are improving between GAPSA and COGS.

IV). Before holding the AHC SCC chair election, Ms. Myers issued a last call for nominations or self-nominations from the floor. Hearing none, members unanimously voted Christine Myers to chair the AHC SCC for the 2014 – 2015 academic year.

V). For the remaining few minutes, Ms. Myers solicited members' ideas for agenda items for next year. Items mentioned included:

- Smoke-free campus update.
- Invite Professor Krichbaum, 2014 – 2015 AHC FCC chair, to a fall meeting.
- Get a FIPCC (Foundations of Interprofessional Communication & Collaboration) update.

VI). Hearing no further business, Ms. Myers adjourned the meeting, and thanked members for attending.

Renee Dempsey  
University Senate