

University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Academic Computing Committee

Agenda

9am-10am, Friday August 29, 2014

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Appointed Members

- Aprille Black - Bryan Business School
- Erin Lawrimore - University Libraries
- Fatih Oguz - School of Education, Liaison to Administrative Information Security Committee
- Frances Clerk - School of Health and Human Sciences, Liaison to IOC, (Chair)
- John Neufeld - Faculty Senate Liaison, Liaison to ATCC
- Kenneth White - School of Music, Theater, and Dance
- Lixin Fu - College of Arts and Science
- Lois Von Cannon - School of Nursing

Ex Officio and Non-Voting

- Todd Sutton - Information Technology Services
- TBD - Teaching and Learning Commons
- Bo Bodenhamer - Office of Provost

Agenda Items

1. Introductions.
2. Determine minute taker.
3. Information: This year, the Faculty Senate Committees chairs will meet 2 times per semester with the Provost (or someone designated from the committee) . This practice was apparently something that used to be done, but was dropped in more recent years. This may result in better communication between committees?
4. Make sure the ACC has a representative on the following committees (as per the charge of the ACC) :
 - IOC,
 - ATCC,
 - and the Administrative Information Security Committee.
5. Clarify who is voting and who is ex officio and non-voting.
6. Confirm a date to meet each month (Friday at 9am will hopefully continue to work throughout the semester).
7. Last year, committee rewrote the committee charge, as the existing one did not fit with what the committee actually did. This change was submitted to the Faculty Senate in the 2013-2014 year-end report . To make this change official however, we need to propose a resolution to the

Faculty Senate (as the ACC is a faculty senate committee). The faculty senate will then vote on this change. If we submit this by September 18 they will vote on this on October 1, 2014. The committee should review this, make any final edits, and submit an official request so that the senate can vote on it . Spoma Jovanovic , the UNCG Faculty Senate Chair, recently told me that an official form for making these change requests will become available.

Background Information and the issues that led to the rewrite were the following (also see end of year report for 2012-2014):

Notes from discussion about this issue 3/31

- i. Member roles need to be more clearly defined
How does the committee get input? Do the faculty know that the ACC exists, or how to contact ACC rep with questions?
Minutes: should they be made more publicly available to faculty?
Bottom line: if this is a faculty committee, how do we get unit faculty more involved?
- ii. How can people find information on the ACC at present? Google Search Appliance? We should optimize. do we have a central page for information?
- iii. Per policies listed (http://policy.uncg.edu/technology_standards/) - we are not being consulted as listed
- iv. Several other issues related to teaching and research (Instructional Linux, Managed Print Services) that never reached the committee. Whose job is it to make sure these get to us?
- v. When functions overlap, we usually aren't in the loop.

Also as a reference - in a 2011 from the Annual Faculty Senate reports, the following were ACC issues with (see <http://facsen.uncg.edu/AnnualReports.asp>) :

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- o Summary of major activities or accomplishments
- o Throughout the year, the Academic Computing Committee (ACC) worked with ITS on a number of campus-wide computer hardware and software initiatives including AD/GCN migration and new Gmail services. Faculty and staff across campus provided feedback about these services to ACC committee members and ITS posted responses to these questions and concerns on their website.
- o Keeping in touch with graduating students through initiatives such as “email for life” was discussed with staff from University Advancement. A new question was added to the Graduating Senior Survey to assist in finding the best way to track students upon graduation from UNCG.
- o In addition, there were numerous discussions about the student laptop initiative and adding a consumer grade computer to the laptop options for students.
- o Unfinished business or issues to be addressed in 2011-2012
- o Need for follow-up on the student laptop initiative and tracking students once they've graduated from UNCG

- Zhi-Jun Liu was elected chair for the 2011-2012 academic session
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8. Discuss how we will get input from faculty about their academic computing needs and also how to disseminate information back to faculty.
 - Spoma Jovanovic , the UNCG Faculty Senate Chair, suggested that we should keep track how feedback is obtained and how much faculty response we get. One possibility could be to create a Google form that could be made available to obtain input about Academic Computing needs. Each unit may have a different way of approaching faculty (in HHS for example, this would likely go through the Faculty Assembly Chair).
 - Regarding disseminating minutes of meetings and information to faculty, we discussed last semester publishing them on a webpage. We could link that a webpage from the faculty senate page (Spoma suggested this could be linked from the Faculty Senate Page) where other Faculty Senate Committees are listed, but we should discuss whether that site should be world readable or just available to the UNCG community, and how we can do that. I would be happy to maintain it for 2014-15.
9. Look at outstanding projects from last year and decide where to go with those.