

TUG meeting
September 25, 2009

Attending: Marc Smyth, Ike Lea, Dan Rafail, Camille LaGuire, Tom Field, Kathy Robinson, Dave Haggadone, Sharon Wood, Nathan Rabe, Ben Beaudreau

1. Questions from Tom to Dave about monitors in TLC 111. There were questions about replacing the monitors as opposed to cost of adapters. More later.

2. The start of the semester

- Photo -- monitor profiles need to be created after propagation. GB 163 will be handled by Ike's class. GB 110 Brian Kurtz usually does this. However students mess this up regularly. (Maybe we could do a script?)
- Ike will calibrate the projectors for dark chocolate.
- Remotes for projectors -- the low tech strings are working better than check out.
- Speakers: get back to Marc on what rooms still need speakers. This GB 108 but others?
- Still waiting for Physical Plant for the infrastructure changes so that the control panels can be done.
- Kathy asked when the new Avid could be purchased as it needs osX 10.5.4. Firmware on new computers require at least 10.5.6. Dave answered: "don't know". Upgrading Avid a necessity and the maintenance expired. Ben: ProTools is running fine on 10.6.

3. Snow Leopard osX 10.6

- So far no problems with apps.
- Permissions wackiness (Lee & Ben both think Disk Warrior can fix this).
- Maya 2010 mac side not shipping yet because of Snow Leopard but will be true 64 bit like the Windows side.
- When will we switch? Maybe May? Should probably survey faculty to see about any legacy software.

4. Server Space

- Ike: there is not enough of it. Kathy: we know. Tom: hoping to carve out more storage space but it being held up at the moment.

5. Windows 7

- Dan: Big exit from XP to 7 in real world coming we may need to as well. Should we keep a legacy class or two for students with old machines?
- Kathy: Are you thinking of changing from Vista to 7 for Spring?
- Ben: Windows 7 upgrade for students \$30.
- Tom: "Academic Alliance" stuff is free but you cannot keep it.

- If CIT wants to change over in Spring ITS can do it but CIT has to think about when the materials will be ready. Probably fall.
- Dan: we need equipment to play with and prepare (faculty don't want 7 on the "sandbox" where they are still using Vista.
- Tom: use some stations in the adjunct faculty area but cannot move stations out of there.

6. Server Logins / TUIDs update

- Kathy: We need to decide ACLs or Posix. During testing found that students had access to things they shouldn't. This is due to faculty control using Posix.
- Suggest having a meeting with other faculty so that all are in on choice.

7. Printer Maintenance

- Photo wants to have factory maintenance -- Dave said needs to be built into budget.
- Tom: Can we use Konica, Minolta? Ike: No those are laser print technologies Epson & HP are the only ones that are used in Photo industry.
- Dave: May want to get training for our staff, maybe for projectors as well.
- Some of our printing problems due to HVAC issues. Ike: humidity in winter 8% currently 70%. Ideal is 50%. Physical Plant found that the HVAC system was partially not functioning but even after it was fixed it was much too dry. Sharon: other HVAC issues in the building - in winter it is much too hot in computer rooms. At change over from heating to cooling and vice versa rooms can get into the 90s.

8. Software Distribution

- Jonathan will come up with a checkout form/system. Should be ready today.
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- Sharon: Autodesk giving away package of all software for free 6 months. (Same package for \$398 for perpetual license.) Must have .edu email and go to: <http://students8.autodesk.com/?nd=register&und=624>