Washburn University
WISAC Minutes

Washburn Information Systems Advisory Council Meeting
December 13, 2012

Members Present: Melodie Christal, Institutional Research, Shane Bartley, Information Technology Services, Floyd Davenport, Information Technology Services, Chris Leach, Finance, Gail Palmer, Financial Aid, Susan Smith, Admissions, Bob Stoller, Information Technology Services, Nancy Tate, Academic Affairs, Amber Traphagan, Registrar
Scheduling conflicts: John Cummings, Student Recreation, Jim Stogsdill, Foundation

Agenda:

Floyd Davenport (ITS) opened the meeting.

Discussion Items.

1. Bob Stoller provided an update on Application Services activities and current priorities. Floyd Davenport gave a brief description of a CRM as the committee was introduced to the new Recruiter offer from Ellucian. Bob Stoller suggested that a future meeting should focus on the release and features of Banner XE. Dr. Tate suggested the catalog module would be a good first module to be implemented under Banner XE. The committee was introduced to Banner’s Multiple Entity Processing (MEP) framework. ITS will explore options with Ellucian to dig deeper on the impact and benefits of MEP.

2. Floyd Davenport reminded the committee that the next WISAC meeting would be to review the Technology Budget Requests for FY14.

3. Floyd Davenport provided an update on the selection of the new Learning Management System (LMS). The Board has approved the purchase of Desire2Learn to replace the use of Angel. The committee agreed that training for faculty and staff should be a priority.

4. Floyd Davenport provided an update on the Email/Calendar Task Force. While the tentative plan is to select and implement a new email and calendar service this year, Dr. Tate expressed concern of too much change at one time (taking in account the new LMS).

5. Shane Bartley provided an update on the university website. The web implementation was recently updated to enhance the performance of viewing the site on mobile devices. Shane is also working to evaluate the accessibility of the university website using a state provided toolset.

6. Melodie Christal provided an update to the Argos reporting system. Argos was recently updated to version 4.0. Several new reports/dateblocks have been developed and are being tested and validated. Evisions has been employed to assist with the development of Finance datablocks and reports.
7. This will be Susan Smith’s last WISAC meeting and the committee thanks her for participation.

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