ITS/SOE Student Intern Work/Network Switching Project [Erik Ziegenbalg]

Please see presentation for details.

NSF Grant for Research Infrastructure [B. Smith]

ITS recently received a grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF). As part of the Campus Cyberinfrastructure – Network Infrastructure and Engineering (CC-NIE) Program, the grant invests in campus network improvements, resulting in higher performance of network intensive research. It includes designing and building a Science DMZ (“demilitarized zone”) dedicated to scientific applications. The grant will go toward equipment and staffing (students are currently employed, and staff is being recruited). The funds are available now and will run through 12/31/15.

UCPath Update [M. Doyle]

Project management is currently conducting “health checks”: where the project is, what is going well/what isn’t, fiscal health, etc. Governance structure has changed. The Management Workgroup is now the Steering Committee, which approves and monitors any processes and operations that don’t affect budget, scope, schedule and policy. The committee will review 180 business processes and approve future state process design (new system and new center). There are many layers of review, such as locations, functional groups, etc.

Timeline Feature for 50th Anniversary [all]

In preparation for the 50th Anniversary celebration, ITS is considering compiling a timeline highlighting changes in the world of technology at large, as well as UCSC-specific. The committee reflected on how far technology has come (examples below).

Netscape, punch cards, modem, PDP II, core RAM from IBM 360, floppy disks, Word Perfect, Word Star, IBM 1401, Lotus 1, 2 and 3, Dot matrix printers, PC Junior, 35 mm slides, key punching, Y2K.

A small workgroup will be put together to talk about UCSC-specific changes.
Cross Campus Enrollment Data Hub [M. Doyle]

To increase UCSC presence in online education, a workgroup has been convened to come up with a cross-campus data hub for transfer of grades, etc. Systems will need to communicate. The intent is to do a simple project using like institutions. Test case will be ready first of year. Government budget includes 10M, half going towards developing the system and half going to courses.

ITLC Annual Report Review [M. Doyle]

Mary composed a system wide level update, featuring IT accomplishments. Draft has gone to leadership.

- Strategic planning, common systems work
- Student Health system (one medical recording system managed by Risk Services)
- Realignment of procurement specific to IT (vendors, etc), i.e. offer from VMware, contract with Amazon Web Services
- Vendor terms and conditions, i.e. click-throughs, “accepting” and how much risk is involved
- Mobile web framework, adopted from UCLA
- Main frame consolidation (how to align timing, contracts)
- Annual Sautter Award (UCSC received two honorable mentions for work with Google and geno hub)
- UCCSC
- Security Privacy Initiative
- Security policy standardization
- Work with external entities (CENIC, Internet2)

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Next meeting: Thursday, December 12 9-10:30AM 212 Kerr Hall