

Wright State Faculty Senate IT Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
February 20, 2014

**Attendance**

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| ✓ Schiller, Shu (Chair)    | Anderson, Terry (CaTS)             |
| ✓ Bahn, Volker (COSM)      | ✓ Fox, Larry (CaTS-designee)       |
| ✓ Bowling, Ann (CONH)      | Brainerd, Marian (Registrar)       |
| Jeyaraj, Anand (RSCOB)     | ✓ Shellabarger, Sheila (Libraries) |
| ✓ Lee, Miryoung (BSOM)     | Ater, Megan (Student Gov)          |
| ✓ Stover, Sheri (CEHS)     | ✓ Mylabathula, Leo (Student Gov)   |
| ✓ Soderlund, Lars (COLA)   |                                    |
| ✓ Wischgoll, Thomas (CECS) |                                    |
| Zhang, Weiquin (LAKE)      |                                    |

- I. Chair Shu Schiller called the meeting to order at 3:16pm
- II. The minutes of the November 2013 meeting were approved.
- III. CaTS Updates (Larry Fox)
  - Scantron Update
    - i. There will no longer be a need to purchase header sheets.
    - ii. Filelocker, a digital secure storage platform, is being tested for report filing.
  - IT Governance
    - i. The University is currently implementing the project-based IT governance policy.
    - ii. The Faculty Senate may need to restructure or dissolve the IT committee.
  - Tegrity will be moving to the Cloud over Summer Break.
  - Wireless Access Points
    - i. CaTS is currently in the process of upgrading campus wifi by increasing the number of access points from 800 to 1600 by the end of August.
  - Portal Replacement
    - i. The Wings portal will be converted to the Drupal Content Management System
    - ii. CaTS hopes to launch a beta version by mid-summer 2014.
  - Course Studio will be phased out by Winter Break 2014.
  - Microsoft Sharepoint

#### IV. Remote Faculty Videoconference Issues

Lake Campus faculty have requested the Senate IT committee to investigate videoconference availability and audio & video quality issues between Lake and Main Campus. During discussions it was revealed that Research Park faculty have similar issues.

The Committee agreed to form a subcommittee, with members of Sheri Stover, Larry Fox, Weiqun Zhang (Lake), Miryoung Lee (Research Park), to further investigate these issues and make recommendations to improve the faculty videoconference experience.

#### V. CaTS Contractor Issue

The Committee reviewed an issue with private contractors leaving a mess during CaTS infrastructure installations.

#### VI. Chair Shu Schiller adjourned the meeting at 4:21pm. The next meeting will be coordinated via email

#### VII. Addendum

The following update from CaTS was provided to the committee via email after the meeting conclusion:

*Remark Update (provided by Mendy Beverly mendy.beverly@wright.edu)*

The move to REMARK for examination scanning is going well. Hardware and software delivery delays have pushed its release back slightly. We are currently testing the product to ensure staff understands the various options before moving it to production. Documentation has been created on product options, examples, and use of FileLocker to retrieve results. Copies are being produced and electronic versions are being developed for Web pages.

During this transition, changes have been adopted to eliminate the previously required test Header Sheet. These are costly forms that would no longer provide benefits. These are savings to each department. Duplicate entries no longer need to be checked at the window, as REMARK will look at the combined Name and ID number. This will reduce wait time while dropping off results to be processed. In addition it was discovered that extra credit can now be indicated and calculated into examinations, something that was not possible with ExamSystem II.

We anticipate a full release of the product in the next few weeks.

*Portal Replacement*

Last year Information Services in CaTS started a project with the intent to replace our WINGS portal with one developed in-house based on Drupal. The Luminis portal platform, which is what WINGS is based upon, is antiquated and the next version of Luminis is based on a completely different technology, which we didn't have faith in and would have required a complete re-build, taking an estimated 6 or more months. Our original plan was to release a beta version of our Drupal-based portal before the end of last year and so we terminated our Luminis support license last September, saving nearly \$100k/year. Our Portal Administrator however resigned last year as did the developer (neither resignation was related to the new portal development). Luminis support is still available from the vendor (Ellucian) should we need it.

The position to re-build our portal has been filled and the project is about to resume. Scott hopes to have a beta-release available for at least limited review and feedback in a few months.

Based on usage statistics and campus feedback over the years on WINGS this new portal will be much lighter, focusing on single-signon into university applications, campus communications, and personalized content based on known attributes (e.g., first-year students, housing students, etc.)

#### *SharePoint Replacement for WINGS Groups*

CaTS has begun evaluating SharePoint as a replacement for WINGS Groups, similar to Course Studio, since both are tightly integrated to the Luminis portal platform. SharePoint is included with our Office365 suite. CaTS is partnering with Jeff Cowgill and the Psychology department to evaluate it. We should have more detail to report in 6-8 weeks.

#### *Course Studio Going Away with WINGS*

As had been communicated last year, Course Studio will no longer be available once the Luminis Platform of WINGS is replaced with a Drupal-based portal. The preliminary target date for disabling the old Luminis portal is the end of 2014. This is no doubt a cause for concern by some faculty and it is hoped that this Faculty IT Committee can assist in the communications to campus. Many faculty and students have stated their support for the elimination of Course Studio, preferring to see a consolidation to Pilot. For those faculty who do not wish to use Pilot but still want basic file sharing and class communications they should find SharePoint to be a reasonable and more up-to-date option.

#### *Xerox Printing*

CaTS is not the unit running this project; Purchasing has selected Xerox to implement this.

- a) This is dependent on how the Xerox software works, CaTS has not seen it yet.
- b) If someone is printing a document with sensitive information, he/she would have to go to the printer and release the print job by putting a code into the printer that is associated with he/she.
- c) Xerox is going to work with each unit/department to assess this. They have no initial plans of pulling personal printers.