

# Senate Computing Usage Committee – February 4, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Members in attendance: Vincent Arena, Frank Beatrous, Michael Bolan, Joe Costantino, PJ Dillon, James Doty, Arif Jamal, Alex Labrinidis, John LaDue, Jinx Walton

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
Call to order	Vincent called the meeting to order at 10:05am.	
Approval of previous minutes	December 2010 minutes reviewed and approved.	
Update on proposed research firewall setups	<p>Currently, there are approximately 32,000 ports behind one of three enterprise firewall designations: <i>Workstation</i> zone, <i>Secure server</i> zone, and <i>DMZ</i> zone (e.g., Web access). The first two zones do not allow access from outside of the University, while the DMZ zone allows limited incoming access from outside the University.</p> <p>Creation of a fourth zone, <i>Research</i> zone, is planned. The <i>Research</i> zone will allow access from the outside to the University using an SSH protocol. Devices within the <i>Research</i> zone will have limited access to PittNet and the Internet. This will be for users needing faster file transfer and throughput, or those using operating systems not supported (e.g., Linux 64b) by the SSLVPN.</p>	
Update on iTunes/YouTube channel for University	<p><i>iTunes U</i>, an Apple product, is now available and allows Pitt faculty and staff to place free educational media online. It will provide both public and restricted access. Public content is accessible by anyone through <i>iTunes U</i> and restricted content is accessed only through the <i>iTunes U</i> community at <a href="http://my.pitt.edu">my.pitt.edu</a></p> <p>Currently, there is limited "test" content at the school level (for some schools). More media needs to be developed. Input and media content at the department level is needed. However, there is limited knowledge at</p>	[Jinx] CSSD to advertise service to Departments.

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	<p>the departmental level about the availability of this technology.</p> <p>Suggestion was made by Alex to notify Departments through Dean's Offices.</p>	
Web-crawlers for internal web pages	<p>Searching on University web pages is provided by a <i>Google Search Engines</i>. There is a cost for the maintenance of associated hardware and as well as a service fee (to provide "ad-free" searches). University Marketing Communications (UMC) is responsible for optimizing and fine tuning search results.</p>	
CSSD's Report – Jinx Walton	<p>Electronic messaging for mailing services. Continued progress on converting campus-wide paper announcements to electronic distribution. Users will be able to indicate their preference for electronic or paper delivery. Should be ready by June 2011.</p> <p>Paper version of the pay stub will be discontinued after March 2011. Electronic version will be available through <a href="http://my.pitt.edu">my.pitt.edu</a> and connecting via the <i>Prism</i> Link.</p> <p>Electronic version of the W2 forms are planned with a possible implementation by January 2012</p> <p><i>Notify U</i>, is a notification subscription service which is now available to communicate with the University community through text messages and emails. The system can also post to Twitter and/or Facebook. Allows University Departments or Divisions to communicate information, events and activities to students that sign up for the service. More info is available on <a href="http://technology.pitt.edu">technology.pitt.edu</a></p>	
Other business	None	
	Meeting was adjourned at 11:05am by Vincent	

Scribe: Vincent Arena